

Preschool, Lower School,  
Middle School, High  
School

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*The Mission of Cedar Grove  
Academy  
is to give a quality Christian  
Education  
emphasizing traditional  
Biblical values.*



## *The Lion's Pulse*

#9 - 3/14/25

**COUNTRY FAIR:** This year's Country Fair and Flea Market is April 26, 2025. Please save the date. We are again collecting **donations** for our **Silent Auction** and **White Elephant** tables. If you, your place of employment, a family member, or a friend have any items, services, or gift certificates that we could use, please contact the school and let us know. If you have the address of a store, restaurant, company, or even a person to whom we could send a letter requesting a donation, please send that information to the school office as well. We hope to have many valuable items for auction again this year. Under the Current Families drop down menu you will find Country Fair forms. You may fill out the form online. Thank You!!!!

**Our High School Formal:** had to be postponed. We are rescheduling it for early in May dependent upon securing a new venue. We are very excited about hosting our very first HS formal for all our high school students but especially for our first graduating class. The class of 2025!

**Our High School Graduation:** On Thursday, May 29th CGCA will be hosting our very first High School Graduation. We are very proud of our small graduating class and very excited about recognizing them in this fashion.

**INDOOR INTRAMURAL SOCCER AT CGCA:** Games for ages 8-11 are played every Saturday in our school gym with nearly 80 participants. The practice and game schedules can be found on [our website HERE](#). This Saturday is Playoff Saturday. Here are the current standings and game schedule.

Boys: 1- Gold, 2 - Blue, 3 - Red, 4 - Green; Girls: 1- Blue, 2 - Gold, 3 - Red, 4 - Green

9am Boys 1 v. 4, 10am Girls 1 v. 4, 11am Boys 2 v. 3, 12 pm Girls 2 v. 3

Please see the schedule link above for the final championship schedule on March 22nd.

**LINK TO PICS OF RECENT EVENTS:** CGCA [Click on this Link to see pictures](#) of HS Ski trip and many more events.

**OPEN HOUSE:** Please invite your friends and family members, who might have school age children, to attend one of our Open Houses which will take place on the following dates:

Thursday, April 3 - 8:30 am – Noon

Thursday, May 1 - 8:30 am – Noon

## Principal's Award Winner John Kelly



John has been a hard worker and continues to be an example of a well behaved student to others. He volunteers to pray, both in class during morning devotions and well as for the loudspeaker announcements. If there is ever a young man who exemplifies "What Would Jesus Do", it is John Kelly. It is Very Evident. He has an audience of One. Jesus. He deeply cares for his peers, yet is not swayed when faced with the choice of right or wrong. He is respectful and honors his parents and teachers by his exemplary behavior. Most importantly, he brings honor to His Lord Jesus. He personifies what we would want for Every student here at Cedar Grove to be. He is not perfect, but he strives to bring glory to Jesus. He enjoys having fun while learning, and is a well-rounded student, involved in CBS, music, past musical dramas, and enjoys sports. He is a Wonderful, godly young man.

**Principal's Award:** Each month we ask our staff to make recommendations of students that have shown exceptionally high levels of growth in leadership and service to our school and our student body. The recipient of this award for this month is John Kelly.

**BLACK HISTORY MONTH:** During the month of February we highlighted some of the things being done in our classes. Many biographies of famous African Americans are displayed in our hallways around the building.

**Kindergarten - Miss Ide** - Miss Ide and Mrs. Negron's class read stories about Lewis Latimer, Jackie Robinson, Ruby Bridges, and George Crum. They made art projects and did a potato chip taste test. In the afternoon enrichment class, they also learned about Garrett Morgan and Harriet Tubman.

**3rd grade - Mrs. Bryan** - The 3rd grade class learned about Booker T. Washington and

George Washington Carver during the month of February. The class also watched Black History videos. Students picked a person most days for their classmates to watch.

**HS/MS** - The HS/MS had Black History presentations on Thursday, February 27th.

**HS/MS Soul Food Day** was on Friday, February 28th, 2025. Everyone enjoyed great food and fun while celebrating Black History Month.

**SCHOLARSHIP ALERT:** Please click on the following link - [Prospective Families](#) and click on "Scholarships" to access scholarship opportunities for your family for next school year. Scholarship deadlines will soon be upon us so please check out all the links on our website to see if any apply to your family. Information about CSFP, our largest scholarship, is also available on this link.

**SOFTBALL:**

Tue, 4/1	Softball @ Newtown
Wed, 4/9	Softball @ Center School
Thu, 4/10	Softball vs. Buckingham Friends

**PRAY EVERYDAY:** The following students led our school in prayer over the PA for the needs of our school:

2/24/25  
Maleya Smith - 7/8 ACE - Mr. Valletto  
John Kelly - 7/8 ACE - Mr. Valletto

2/26/25  
Wendell Arajo - 7/8 ACE - Mr. Valletto

2/27/25  
Jurnee Akil - 8th grade - Mrs. Wright  
Khali Barmore - 8th grade - Mrs. Wright

2/28/25  
Isaac Santos - 8th grade - Mrs. Wright  
Bryan Vaz - 8th grade - Mrs. Wright

3/3/25  
Khaliyah Kemp - 9/10 - Mrs. Copeland  
Maylenie Joseph - 9/10 - Mrs. Copeland

3/5/25  
Sani Lassiter - 9/10 - Mrs. Copeland  
Robbie Burton - 9/10 - Mrs. Copeland

3/6/25  
Adlee Elliott - Kindergarten - Miss Ide  
Jacob Clydesdale - Kindergarten - Miss Ide

3/7/25  
John Robinson - Kindergarten - Miss Ide  
Ezekiel Mensah - Kindergarten - Miss Ide

**DATES:**

Mar	14		Fri	Lower School Program 1st, 2nd
	15		Sat	Intramural Soccer playoffs 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
	22		Sat	Intra. Soc. Championships 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
	28		Fri	End of 3rd quarter
	29		Sat	New Student testing
	3		Thu	Open House - 8:30 am-12:00 pm
Apr	4		Fri	Report Card

**LUNCH PROGRAM:** You may go into your FACTS/RenWeb account and set up orders for your child(ren), which we will see in our system. All lunch snacks and meal orders should be made at least 24 hours in advance and online.

**PRETZELS:** Pretzels are sold outside the office on Tuesdays for \$1.00 each.



**ATTENTION PARENTS – COLD TEMPERATURES:** As the mercury drops, we ask that parents send their child dressed for cold weather. A warm coat, hat, and gloves are needed now and until the end of winter. Even on colder days recess is held outside and children should come prepared for this.

**EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING :** *Due to bad weather, our school may need to either close early or not open on occasion. An Alert message will be sent to the primary phone number you have given us for your family and an announcement will be posted on our website at [cgca.org](http://cgca.org). Please update these phone numbers whenever necessary. Most CGCA emergency closings can also be seen on the major Philadelphia TV stations (3, 6, and 10).*

**School Uniforms:** Please take some time to review your child’s uniforms. The school logo should be on all polos and uniform pants must be the correct style. If you are uncertain of styles you can view them [HERE](#). Pants should have all internal stitching (no patch pocket pants). Clothing should be loose fitting; no stretch pants or joggers. Boy’s hair must be short - above the eyes, ears and collar when in a natural position. No non-naturally occurring coloring may be used in hair.

**INSTRUMENT LESSONS:** Information about band instrument lessons was sent home last week for 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Lessons are available for the following instruments: **flute, trumpet, trombone, clarinet, saxophone, french horn, baritone horn, tuba, and percussion**. There is no cost for lessons, other than instrument rental or purchase. If you want this opportunity for your child, please indicate that on the form. **Piano lessons** may be available upon request, but are handled by visiting teachers that do this as a business and there is an hourly fee.

**CELL PHONES:** Students are not permitted to have cellphones in school. If, however, it is necessary for your child to carry a cell phone, it must be turned off and left in the office or designated location while he/she is in the building. Parents must sign the cell phone form for their

child. Middle and high schoolers are required to turn their phone off for the day. 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade students turn their phones into a homeroom teacher. 7 - 12<sup>th</sup> graders may keep their phones in their lockers and are solely responsible for the safety of that device.

**FACTS Family Portal:** I hope you are regularly checking your child's grades. You can access FACTS/RenWeb using the link at the bottom of the page on our [school's website](#). Please call our school office if you need any assistance.

**CLEARANCES:** Parents interested in attending field trips with their child must have a PA Child Abuse Record Check and PA Criminal History clearance. If you are interested in getting your clearances, please feel free to go to our school website and click on Parent Helps, and scroll down to PA Background Checks for Volunteers. Once you have both clearances, please provide the office with a copy of the same.

**DAYCARE BILLING:** Just a reminder that daycare bills for grades 1-8 will be sent home the first of every month. It is not included with the tuition payment. Daycare services are available from 7 am to 7:45 am and/or from 3 pm to 6 pm. Flexible hours are billed at \$5.50 per hour. After 6 pm pickup is charged \$20 for each 15 minutes interval or part thereof. Please be aware that daycare workers appreciate being able to leave at or before 6 pm.

**CGCA AND UNITED WAY: I.D. #1197**

You can designate your United Way contributions to be used for CGCA. Two of our programs (Discovery Center and Daycare) meet the requirements to be a part of the United Way Donor Choice Program. All you need to do is designate your United Way contribution to Cedar Grove Christian Academy and use our I.D. #1197 on the pledge form. Thank you very much.

In His Grip,

Jeffrey Howard, Principal

Important school information can be accessed through the following links:

[How to lead someone to Christ](#)

[School website](#)

[Parent Helps](#)

[School Calendar](#)

[Ren Web login](#) (District Code: cg-pa)

[Extracurricular opportunities](#)

[Hand book/uniform code/supply lists/forms](#)

[New Student Application](#)

[Teaching Application](#)

[Non-teaching Applications](#)