

Bethlehem Christian School

Ebenezer Campus (K-4)
3100 Hecktown Road
Bethlehem, PA 18020

2012-2013

Calvary Campus (5-8)
5300 Green Pond Road
Easton, PA 18045

610-868-6020

www.bethlehemchristianschool.org

610-365-8176

School Begins:

Start of School -Tuesday, September 4, 2012
Calvary.....8:15 am (Grades 5-8)
Ebenezer....8:25 am (Grades K-4)

Dismissal of School

Ebenezer..... 12:00 NOON (Half Day Kindergarten)
Ebenezer..... 2:50 (Full Day Kindergarten - Grade 4)
Calvary..... 2:50 (Grades 5-8)

Orientations:

Kindergarten orientation will be Tuesday, August 28th from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm in the Ebenezer sanctuary for all Kindergarten students and parents.

Grades 1-4 orientations will be held on Wednesday, August 29th at 9:00 am in the Ebenezer sanctuary for the students and parents.

Grades 5-8 orientation to introduce parents and students to the Middle School Campus, will be held in the Calvary campus sanctuary on Thursday, August 30th from 6:30 pm - 7:30pm.

Please make it a priority to attend the appropriate session with your child.



The Bus Transportation The school bus ticket and other pertinent information concerning the transportation of children to and from school will be mailed to you by the public school districts before the start of school. If you haven't received the bus ticket by August 25th, call the school office.



Mailing Address-Central Office

Bethlehem Christian School
3100 Hecktown Road
Bethlehem, PA 18020
afields@bcspanthers.net

Tuition:

Tuition or other financial questions should be directed to:
Mrs. Ruth Blose
Telephone - 610-767-7574
rblose@bcspanthers.net

School Offices:

Ebenezer (Grades K-4)	610-868-6020
Calvary (Grades 5-8)	610-365-8176
Blue Mountain (Grades K-6)	610-767-7227
Bethel Memorial Preschool	610-533-4820
Ebenezer Preschool	610-865-9557

Morning Car Drop

Offs: If your child is being transported to school by car they must arrive at the Calvary Campus between 7:45 AM and no later than 8:10 AM and the

Ebenezer Campus between 8:00 AM

and no later than 8:20 AM. **Your children will**

be marked tardy after these times and parents must accompany their child to the office to fill out a tardy slip.

Please avoid tardiness as it may affect your student's academic progress, including their citizenship grade.

Visitors/Volunteers: All school Visitors or Volunteers must sign in at the school office upon entering the school building. The BCS Volunteer Program will allow you to “earn” BCS Bucks to be used for a dress down card, the Swap Shop, or free ice cream/snack at lunch.

Extended Care: Extended care is available and is located at the Ebenezer Campus. The hours are 7:00 a.m.-8:15 a.m. and 2:45 pm -5:30 pm. Contact Sharon Kritzberger for enrollment and fees, 610-865-9557.

Lunch, Library, and Art Volunteers: We are in need of volunteers for lunch duty, library, and art. We would be glad to work with your schedule. If you can help, please call: Ebenezer Campus 610-868-6020 or Calvary Campus 610-365-8176.

The BCS Dedication Service: This dedication service is for all parents and students and will be held on Friday, September 14, from 5:30 pm until 7:30 pm. It will take place at Calvary Baptist Church, 5300 Green Pond Road, Easton, PA. You are expected to attend with your child(ren) and become acquainted with the faculty and staff, Board of Trustee members and other parents. **A spaghetti dinner will be served at 5:30 pm.**

NON-ILLNESS Absences: A permission form to excuse a student for an educational trip must be filled out at least 10 school days in advance. Please call the school office in order to obtain this form. If it becomes necessary to schedule a trip during the school year, please refer to the school calendar and attempt to select a period of time when school is not in session. This will substantially reduce the make-up work required. Please avoid non-illness absences during the week of the SAT standardized testing (April 15-19, 2012).

Dress Code: Kindergarten through Eighth Grade have a required uniform. The BCS Dress Code is included with this letter.

School Supplies Needed: A list of these items, by grade level, is included with this letter.

The Chapel Program: Parents, Grandparents, and friends are encouraged to attend the chapel services on Wednesdays. Calvary's (Grades 5-8) chapel begins at 8:30 am on Wednesdays. Ebenezer's (Grades PreK-4) chapel begins at 9:30 am (Please note change in time).

Party/Craft/Supply Fee: We are asking for a **\$10.00** party/craft/supply fee this year. Room mothers will be calling you to volunteer as opposed to asking for food donations.

Please bring \$10 to orientation or on the first day of school.

Lunch Program

Students in Kindergarten will be served a light snack each day by the school.

Students in Full-day Kindergarten through 8th grade will need to bring their lunch daily (no heat ups) unless purchasing hot lunch. Students who forget their lunch will receive cereal or pretzels and a drink, not hot lunch. Milk/Juices are available for purchase at 30¢/drink.

Hot Lunch: We are continuing with the same caterer this year. The cost is \$2.90/meal, \$1.90/extra entree. The September lunch order forms must be in the Ebenezer Office by **Friday, August 17th**. No late lunch orders will be accepted. The hot lunches are pre-ordered and billed to BCS 2-3 weeks in advance. **Therefore, we cannot reimburse due to absences. We also cannot reimburse for snow days.**

Birthdays: Birthdays may be observed by sending in a treat at lunch time. We require all birthday treats to be store bought. It is very helpful to send in treats that are already in individual servings. Another way to celebrate your child's birthday is to donate a book to our library. If you have any questions about what books to purchase, please contact your campus librarian.



Physical Education Program

One day a week is set aside for Physical Education classes at Ebenezer (Monday) and Calvary (Friday).

A standard gym uniform is required for pupils in all grades, Kindergarten through Eighth Grade.

Please refer to the BCS Dress Code included with this letter. Students should wear their gym uniforms to school on gym days.

Practice for sports events in grades 6 through 8 will be held on various days after school (3:00 to 5:00 PM) during the school year.

Announcements about these activities (dates, locations) will be sent home by the coaches. Parents will be responsible to pickup their children.



Music and Art Program

Mrs. Andrea Arrington teaches music for the Ebenezer campus for grades K-4 as well as lead music for the Ebenezer chapel on Wednesdays.

Miss Geiger leads the music program at the Calvary campus.

Mrs. Celeste Leininger will continue to offer private piano and voice lessons at both the Ebenezer and Calvary campuses.

Our art program continues with Mrs. Kalavoda for our students in grades K-4. She would welcome parent volunteers to help with art on Tuesdays at Ebenezer. **CAROL**

Health Program

Parents of Kindergarten Students:

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania requires certain immunizations for entry into school. Proof of immunizations must be presented to the office, prior to the child starting school the first day. The only exemption to the school law for immunizations are medical and religious beliefs. Parents must sign an exemption card in the school office, if your child is exempt from the required immunizations. The school health law requires children entering Kindergarten to have a physical and dental examination. **All medical/dental forms are due in the office by the first day of school.**

Parents of Students in Grade 1-8:

1. If your child's health status has changed, please notify the school nurse (through the school office) in September. If your child has received any immunizations over the summer, please send proof of the immunizations to the school office.
2. If your child brought a student health update form home in June, please remember to return it to the **school office the first week of school**. These are important in order for us to keep your child's health records up-to-date, as well as to assist the staff in caring for your child if he/she becomes ill.
3. Children ATTENDING 7th grade in 2012/2013 need the following: 1 dose of tetanus, diphtheria, acellular pertussis (Tdap) (if 5 years has elapsed since last tetanus immunization) 1 dose of meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV)

ALL PARENTS:

Student information/medical authorization forms must be updated/filled out, signed and returned to school by the first week of school.

If your child has a medical, physical, or emotional condition, please communicate this information with the school office and your child's teacher.

Ebenezer Summer Math Program

The summer program for students entering grades 1-4 is optional but we highly encourage the students to work on their math packets.



BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN SCHOOL UNIFORM CODE FOR BOYS

Uniforms are worn so that students can express their individual strengths and Christian character through their own gifts and abilities rather than by how they are dressed.

Our uniform supplier is **Flynn & O'Hara School Uniforms**.

1876 Catasauqua Road, Allentown, PA 18109
610-231-3788

Uniforms may be purchased in the store, by phone, or online at www.fando.net

Pant, shirts, sweaters and gym clothes MUST be purchased from Flynn & O'Hara (No substitutes):

Belt, socks, shoes, navy tie may be purchased elsewhere.

Daily attire:

- Pant:** Flat front pants (navy or khaki color).
Please note that the pants have a Flynn & O'Hara label above the back pocket.
- Shirts:** Oxford button down shirt in white or light blue.
Polo in white, light blue, navy or hunter green.
- Sweaters:** Cardigan, v-neck, or vest in navy.
- Shorts:** May be worn prior to October 15th and after May 1st (navy and khaki).
- Belt:** Solid color brown, black or navy worn with pant/slack and shorts.
- Legwear:** Socks, in colors white, navy, black or natural.
- Footwear:** Standard shoes, neat and clean sneakers. **(No sandals, clogs, or boots.)**

Chapel Day (All Day Attire)

- Boys:** White or light blue oxford shirt with solid navy or BCS plaid tie and uniform pants.
Top collar button to be buttoned and tie worn at collar band. Belt must be worn.
Sweaters are optional.
Dress shoes must be worn on Chapel Day.

Gym Day: **All** items, except sneakers and socks, must be purchased from **Flynn & O'Hara**

- Shirt:** BCS T-shirt, BCS sweatshirt. (gray hoodies-middle school and adults only.)
- Pants:** BCS sweatpants.
- Shorts:** BCS gym shorts may be worn prior to October 15th and after May 1st.
- Footwear:** Athletic sneakers with white athletic socks.

Further information

- Jewelry:** No jewelry, including earrings and body piercing jewelry, allowed.
- Hair:** Hair must be cut above the collar and must be away from the eyes.
Hair colors other than natural shades are not permitted.
- Pants:** Must be worn at the natural waistline.
- Shirts:** **Grades K-4:** All shirts must be tucked in.
Grades 5-8: Polo shirts may be worn un-tucked.
Woven oxford shirts must be tucked in.
- Mend/Patch Knees:** Repair as needed.
- Tattoos:** Temporary or permanent tattoos are not permitted.

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UNIFORM CODE FOR GIRLS

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Our uniform supplier is **Flynn & O'Hara School Uniforms.**

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610-231-3788

Jumper, skirt, skort, slack, shirts, sweaters and gym clothes MUST be purchased from Flynn & O'Hara (No substitutes).

Belt, socks, shoes may be purchased elsewhere.

Daily attire:

Jumper/Skirt/Skort: (plaid or navy) Grades K-4

Skirt /Skort: (plaid or navy) Grades K-8

Slacks: Flat front (navy or khaki color).

Please note that the pant has a Flynn & O'Hara label above the back pocket.

Shirts: Oxford or peter pan (white or light blue).

Polos in white, light blue, navy, hunter green.

Sweaters: Cardigan, v-neck, or vest in navy.

Shorts: May be worn prior to October 15th and after May 1st (navy and khaki).

Belt: Solid color brown, black or navy worn with slacks and shorts.

Legwear: Socks, tights in colors white, navy, black or natural.

Footwear: Standard shoes, neat and clean sneakers. **(No sandals, clogs, backless shoes or boots.)**

Chapel Day (All Day Attire):

Girls: Grades K-4: Jumpers/Skirts/Skorts with white or light blue oxford or peter pan shirt.

Grades 5-8: Skirts/Skorts with white or light blue oxford.

Sweaters are optional.

Dress shoes must be worn on Chapel Day.

Gym Day: **All** items, except sneakers and socks, must be purchased from **Flynn & O'Hara**

Shirt: BCS T-shirt or BCS sweatshirt. (gray hoodies- middle school and adults only.)

Pants: BCS sweatpants.

Shorts: BCS Gym short may be worn prior to October 15th and after May 1st.

Footwear: Athletic sneakers with white athletic socks.

Further information:

Jewelry: Wear conservatively or not at all since it is a distraction. Body piercing jewelry is not allowed. Girls may have pierced ears and are limited to 2 earrings per ear.

Hair: Hair must be away from (not covering) eyes.

Hair colors other than natural shades are not permitted.

Skirt Hemlines: Not higher than 1" above the knee when kneeling.

Pants: Must be worn at the natural waistline.

Shirts: Grades K-4 - All shirts must be tucked in.

Grades 5-8 - Polo shirts may be worn un-tucked. Woven oxford shirts must be tucked in.

Mend/Patch Knees: Repair as needed.

Tattoos: Temporary or permanent tattoos are not permitted.

Tights without feet: Footless leggings or similar tights are not permitted.

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Supply List for 2012/2013 Classes

Grade K

- Bible – NIV - ***See below**
- Hard Pencil case approx. -no longer than 5"x8½" -with flip up lid- NO zippered cases
- Sturdy eraser
- A box of 24 thin **Crayola** crayons in a small **ziploc baggie** with student's name (for use after Christmas)
- A box of **Crayola** colored pencils labeled with student's name
- 4 **LARGE** glue sticks (**approx. 0.77oz size**) in **ziploc baggie** with student's name
- A **labeled** smock (with sleeves that cover the arms, an old shirt works best)
- One **labeled** box of tissues
- Plastic, sturdy** 12 x 9 pocket folder with horizontal pockets (such as the Mead Five Star folder)
- A backpack or a book bag - at least 12x9
- Kindergarten packet including special pencils and crayons will be available to purchase at orientation for \$3.00.
- Clorox Wipes
- \$10 party/craft fee (Due on the first day of school)**

Grade 1

- Bible - NIV – ***See below**
- Pencil case - no larger than 6x8
- Sturdy eraser
- Two **PLAIN**, sturdy 12x9 pocket folders
- 2 dozen of #2 yellow pencils (**no mechanical, no names**)
- Scissors
- 3 large glue sticks (approx. 0.77oz size)
- Box of thin Crayola crayons (max. 24 count)
- Box of colored pencils (12 count)
- Box of thin Crayola markers (classic colors - 8 count)
- Red felt-tip pen (Flair)
- A **labeled** smock (with sleeves that cover the arms, an old shirt works the best)
- Two **labeled** boxes of tissues
- Take home folder - must be purchased at school-\$1.00
- Watercolor paints – **labeled**
- Hard bound black & white composition book
- 2 skinny dry erase markers any color – **labeled**
- 1 writing journal (**must be purchased at school, \$1.25**)
- Clorox Wipes
- \$10 party/craft fee (Due on the first day of school)**

Grade 2

- Bible - NIV ***See below**
- Large zippered pencil bag
- Sturdy eraser
- Two sturdy 12x9 pocket folders (**not plastic**)
- A large box Staples yellow #2 pencils, **sharpened** – please
- Scissors
- 2 Large glue sticks (approx. 0.77oz size)
- Box of Crayola crayons (max. 24 count)
- Box of colored pencils (12 count)
- Box of Thin Crayola washable markers (classic colors - 8 count)
- Composition notebook - marbled
- A **labeled** smock (with sleeves that cover the arms, an old shirt works best)
- Two **labeled** boxes of tissues
- Take home folders - must be purchased at school-\$1.00
- 2 Highlighters – **labeled**
- Watercolor paints – **labeled**
- Small bottle of Elmer's glue – **labeled**
- Clorox Wipes
- \$10 party/craft fee (Due on the first day of school)**

Grade 3

- Bible - NIV - ***See below**
- Large zippered pencil case
- Sturdy eraser
- Large glue stick (approx. 0.77oz size)
- Large box #2 **sharpened** pencils - **not labeled**
- Two **plain, sturdy** pocket folders (for privacy)
- Two folders with **pockets** and **fasteners** (1 blue, 1 green)
- Box of **24-count** Crayola crayons - **labeled**
- Box of colored pencils (**12 count only**) - **labeled**
- Two boxes of tissues
- A **labeled** smock (with sleeves that cover the arms, an old shirt works best)
- 2oz.** bottle of hand sanitizer
- Take home folder - must be purchased at school-\$1.00
- 1 Composition notebook – marbled (not college ruled)
- 3 **black** dry erase markers – **not labeled**
- 1 package of **Staples** "Stickies" (125 page flags, 1 ¼" x 1/2")
- 1 package of **Staples** "post-it-notes" (100 count, yellow, size 3x3)
- Clorox Wipes
- \$10 party/craft fee (Due on the first day of school)**

Grade 4

- Bible - NIV
- Large zippered pencil bag (Crayola brand works well)
- Sturdy eraser
- Supply of #2 pencils (no mechanical), sharpened
- Box of colored pencils (12 count)
- Box of Crayola markers (classic colors - 8 count)
- Two red felt-tip pen labeled (Flair)
- 1 highlighter any color
- Large glue stick (approx. 0.77oz size)
- Scissors
- Hard bound black & white composition book
- Loose leaf paper (3-ring)
- 5 **STURDY 3 PRONG** folders **with pockets** (different colors)
- 2 **STURDY** folders for privacy (fun colors & pictures)
- Two **labeled** boxes of tissues
- A **labeled** smock (with sleeves that cover the arms, an old shirt works best)
- Take home folder - must be purchased at school-\$1.00
- Clorox Wipes
- \$10 party/craft fee (Due on the first day of school)**

***NIV Discoverer's Bible
Zonderkidz
SBN # 0-310-70501-0**

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Supply List for 2012/2013 Classes

Grade 5 -8

NIV Bible

2 Privacy Folders (5th grade only)

Supply of #2 pencils

Zippered pencil bag

Sturdy eraser

Supply of red ball point pens

Supply of Blue or Black ball point pens

Loose Leaf paper (3-ring) – sufficient to last all year

(1 pack to be brought to school for classroom use)

Spiral bound 3" X 5" white index cards

Box of colored pencils (24 count)

Protractor

Highlighters

Glue sticks

Scissors

Two labeled boxes of tissues

3" 3-ring binder for general subject organization

2" 3-ring binder (for incoming 5th graders or new students) for Spanish class

Take home folder – purchased at school for \$1.00

Calculator – TI30 series

Media storage device-memory stick

1 pack graph paper

Stapler – to be kept at home

2 containers anti-bacterial wipes

Each child should have a book bag which serves as a protection for the textbooks and homework.

\$10 party/craft fee (Due on the first day of school)

Ebenezer and Calvary Students

Each child should have a book bag which serves as a protection for the textbooks and homework.

Each child should have a lunch kit with a securely fitted top on the thermos. (Exception - AM Kindergarten)

Each book (consumable and nonconsumable) must be covered within the first week of school. CLEAR (not colored) contact paper is a required covering for consumable books. It is suggested that you purchase this now. **Please DO NOT cover nonconsumable books with contact paper.**

2012/2013 Bethlehem Christian School FACULTY LIST

Administration

Mr. Tim Wilkins – Superintendent

B.A. Music Education Oral Roberts University
Masters in Administration Fresno Pacific University
A.C.S.I. Lifetime Superintendent Certification
CA Lifetime Superintendent Credential

Mrs. Janie Hughes – Principal Ebenezer Campus

B.S. James Madison University
Major in Psychology and Human Services
Post Graduate work at Moravian College
Major in Elementary Education
PA Teaching Certification
A.C.S.I. Standard Certification
A.C.S.I. Principal Certification

Mrs. Carol Aversa – Calvary Campus Principal

B.S. Bloomsburg University
Major in Special Education
PA Teaching Certification
Graduate Studies--University of Scranton
A.C.S.I. Standard Certification
A.C.S.I. Principal Certification

Faculty

Mrs. Jan Heim – Full Day Kindergarten Teacher

B.A. Cedar Crest College
Major in Elementary Education and Sociology
PA Permanent Teaching Certification
A.C.S.I. Certification

Mrs. Bonnie Fields - Grade 1 Classroom Teacher and Technology Coordinator

B.S. Lancaster Bible College
Major in Elementary Education
PA Teaching Certification
A.C.S.I. Standard Certification

Mrs. Ruth Meier - Grade 2 Classroom Teacher

B.S. Millersville University
Graduate work at Millersville University
Major in Elementary Education/Special Education
PA Teaching Certification
A.C.S.I. Standard Certification

Mrs. Kathryn Kusiak - Grade 3 Classroom Teacher and Curriculum Coordinator

B.S. United Wesleyan College
Major in Elementary Education
Post Graduate work at Moravian College
PA Permanent Teaching Certification
A.C.S.I. Standard Certification

Mrs. Connie Longenberger - Grade 4 Classroom Teacher

B.S. Geneva College
Major in Elementary Education
Minor in English
PA Teaching Certification
A.C.S.I. Standard Certification

Mrs. Andrea Arrington – Grades K-4 Physical Education, Grade 4 Spanish, Grades K-4 Music Teacher

B.A. Indiana Wesleyan University
Major in Christian Education
A.C.S.I. Certification - in process

Mrs. Ami Smith - Learning Support/NILD Coordinator and Middle School Instructor

B.A. Psychology Rider University
Graduate work in School Psychology Eastern University
Trained in Wilson Language System
A.C.S.I. Certification
NILD Level 1 Intern

Mrs. Kathy Kalavoda – Grades K-4 Art Teacher

Northampton Community College Art Classes
A.C.S.I. Art Instruction Classes

Mrs. Jane D'Arcy - Grade 5 Classroom Teacher

B.S. Geneva College
Major in Elementary Education
PA Teacher Certification
A.C.S.I. Certification

Mrs. Mary Wintermute – Grade 6 Homeroom Teacher and Middle School Instructor

B.S. The College of New Jersey
Major in Science Education
M. Ed. De Sales
Major in Math
NJ State Teacher Certification (Pursuing PA certification)
A.C.S.I. Certification

Mrs. Karen Masteller - Grade 7 Homeroom Teacher, and Middle School Instructor

B.S. West Chester University
Major in English Education
PA Permanent Teaching Certification
A.C.S.I. Certification

Mrs. Barbara Ruppert - Grade 8 Homeroom Teacher and Middle School Instructor

B.S. New York University
Major in Social Studies Education
M.A. Brooklyn College
Major in American History
NY State Teaching Certification
A.C.S.I. Certification

JoAnne Geiger – Grades 5-8 Physical Education, Grades 5-8

Spanish, Grades 5-8 Music, Middle School Instructor
B.S. Health and Physical Education, East Stroudsburg University
Graduate of Spanish Language Institute
PA Teaching Certification
A.C.S.I. Certification