

## **Important Notice to 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents regarding the Commons and the Youth Center after Dismissal**

It is the policy of Calvary Chapel Academy to provide aftercare for our 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students upon dismissal at 3:15 p.m., Monday through Friday. However, this service is not provided for our 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. In lieu of aftercare for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, many parents elect to allow their 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to go to the Calvary Chapel Youth Center or remain in the Commons until they arrive to pick them up.

1<sup>st</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students who stay after dismissal must go to Aftercare.

For 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, parents must choose between allowing their child to go to Aftercare OR to the Commons after school if the child will remain on campus after dismissal at 3:15 p.m. If a parent elects to allow his/her 6<sup>th</sup> grader go to the Commons after school, note that the student will not be permitted to leave the Commons to go to the Youth Center. If a parent elects to allow his/her 6<sup>th</sup> grader go to Aftercare after school, note that the student will not be permitted to leave Aftercare to go to the Commons, nor will the student be permitted to go to the Youth Center.

7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are permitted to go to the Commons after school and are permitted to go to the Youth Center after signing in at the Commons.

All 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders going to Commons after school are required to sign in and sign out. Each time a student comes into the Commons on any given day, he/she must sign in and must sign out upon departure. If a student refuses to sign in or sign out, the student will not be permitted to go to the Commons after school for the remainder of the school year.

***Please note that kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> graders are NOT permitted to be in the Commons or the Youth Center after school.***

Younger siblings of 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are not permitted to be in the Commons or the Youth Center after school with their older siblings. (NOTE: On Wednesdays only, 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are permitted in the Youth Center at 6:00pm in preparation for Youth Group activities that evening.)

Please be advised that the Calvary Chapel Youth Center is operated as part of the church, Calvary Chapel Melbourne. The school is permitted to use the church's Youth Center for its P.E. classes, student chapel services during school hours, Worship Band middle school elective class, athletic programs, and certain other events or activities. As part of the church's youth ministry, the Calvary Chapel Youth Center is open to the public at 2:30 p.m. (at which time Meadowlane Intermediate and/or Central Middle School students may come into the Youth Center). Throughout the remainder of the day, public and private school students come and go from the Youth Center. **The school nor the church employs individuals to monitor the activities of our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who remain in the Youth Center after dismissal.**

One or more school employees are designated to remain in the Commons until 6:00 p.m. on school days. Although these individuals are in the Commons, they are there only for the purpose of maintaining order and to keep track of which CCA 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are in the Commons on any given day.

**Please be advised that Calvary Chapel Academy is not responsible for the care of any 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup> grade CCA student who remains on church property, including the Commons and the Calvary Chapel Youth Center, after 3:15 p.m. Any student who goes to the Youth Center or into the Commons after school is considered to be permitted by the student's parent to do so without the expectation by the parent that CCA is responsible for the care of the student or the monitoring of the student's activities.**

You should be aware that some CCA students who have gone to the Youth Center or into the Commons upon dismissal have chosen to leave church property altogether to engage in other activities at other locations (for instance, going to Meadowlane Intermediate, to Central Middle School, or to businesses in the area), later returning to the Calvary Chapel Youth Center or the Commons prior to their parents picking them up there. Because we believe this may be done without a parent's knowledge, we are very concerned that you be made aware of this possibility and that you specifically address this matter with your student prior to attending CCA.

Under no circumstances are 5<sup>th</sup> grade students or younger siblings of 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> graders permitted to be in the Commons or the Youth Center after dismissal. If not picked up at dismissal, these 5<sup>th</sup> grade students are expected to go to Aftercare.

Please be assured that your child's safety is of utmost concern to us. Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

**PLEASE SIGN and RETURN THIS DOCUMENT IN ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT YOU HAVE READ IT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND AND AGREE WITH ITS CONTENTS.**

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Parent Signature

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Date

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Student Name and Grade