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Dear CCS Families,

At last... April is here! And with April comes so very many exciting happenings here at CCS. Please take a few moments to review the information below. And, as always, should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me or a member of our team.

### **Easter Weekend at Community**

As you know, Community Christian School is a ministry of Community Bible Church. I say that because if you are looking for a dynamic, engaging place to celebrate the Easter holiday weekend, I want to personally invite you to make Community that place! As you know, today we had an amazing combined Easter chapel as well as our annual “Bonnetts and Bow Ties” Easter parade here at school. Tomorrow evening, you can REVIVE with us at our Good Friday Service, beginning at 7 PM. On Saturday, at 5 PM, you and your little ones are encouraged to come to our annual EGGSTRAVAGANZA Easter egg hunt here on campus - one of the largest in the South Metro area and featuring none other than Mr. and Mrs. Bunny themselves! And of course on Easter Sunday we will have dynamic services at 9:30 and 11:00 AM.

### **The Eclipse**

The eclipse is coming! On April 8, in fact, between 1:30 and 3:30 PM. While many of our classes across schools will be participating in instruction related to this event, we will also be taking precautionary measures, especially related to dismissal. Specifically, CCS will be providing approving eclipse viewing eyewear for all pre-k through grade 12 students for viewing (if part of instruction) and for use during dismissal. Our elementary and early ed dismissals will also be managed through our building overhangs to ensure safety for our younger students. Again, middle and high school students will have protective eyewear for use at this time as well.

### **Meet and Greet Opportunity**

Speaking of middle and high school, and as we messaged to those families last week, we are excited to welcome incoming Middle and High School Principal Mr. Gabe Cerie and incoming Director of Student Life Mrs. Trisha Bradley. Both will take on their roles fully in the upcoming 24-25 school year, but save the date for an opportunity to meet and greet our 2 new leaders on Tuesday, April 16 for Mr. Cerie and April 18 for Mrs. Bradley. Both events will be at 6:00 PM here at CCS. More details will follow as we come back from our spring break.

## Upcoming Coke Fundraiser

As we start to wind down our school year in what will be a busy April and May, I want to draw your attention to a truly “win-win” fundraising opportunity for our schools. Just in time for graduation parties, Memorial Day cookouts, and first beach trips of the summer, we will be doing our annual Coca Cola fundraiser starting on April 22 and ending on May 6. This year proceeds from this fundraiser will go toward our athletics programs. Specifically, we will seek to purchase a video board for our gymnasium and enhance audio systems for both our gym and our football/soccer field. In both cases, these improvements will be useful for athletic and general purpose activities in these high student use areas. I hope you will consider getting a great deal on Coca Cola products while helping us to elevate our student experience at the same time!

## Setting Your Child Up for a Strong Finish

I frequently use the idea of a roller coaster as a metaphor for a school year, specifically with respect to spring break. I liken this last big calendar event of the school year to the crest of that last, giant, exhilarating hill after which the ride twists and turns at breakneck speed toward the finish. Experience tells us that the weeks following next week’s break will be a blur. And, sometimes, that pace along with the excitement of the season can cause a wane in students’ focus. Please encourage your child to stay strong through these last 6 weeks. And, for ideas on this “spring fever” phenomenon, please see this article from Edmentum on strategies to keep students engaged. Hang on tight!

In closing, I pray that you and your family will have a meaningful and reflective Easter holiday and an enjoyable break

*Sincerely,*

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