

“Food for Thought”

This semester, the Covenant Day Lower and Middle Schools will be offering various teacher-led sessions for parents. These sessions will be centered on areas that we feel will be interesting and enlightening for the parents of our students. We have teachers who will be volunteering their lunchtimes to lead these sessions, and they are excited about this new way to connect and partner with CDS parents!

We will be offering these throughout the spring. The first round of sessions was very successful! **Our second round of sessions will occur on Friday, March 27th!** Listed below are the titles of each session, along with the name of the teacher leading the session. You may attend a session even if your child is not in that particular teacher’s class. There is also a brief summary that might help you have a better idea of what will be discussed. **We ask that you please RSVP to the appropriate person (listed below) by Wednesday, March 25th.**

Thanks for your continued partnership and support!



Jason D. Klohr



Mark Helmer

Date: Friday, March 27th.

(1) “Teaching Good Science at CDS”

Summary: Teaching Science in a Christian school is a splendid opportunity to explore our natural environment – our Creator’s handiwork – in a setting that allows complete honesty while “speaking the truth in love.” This presentation will demonstrate to interested parents the teaching of good science that allows our students to be well informed and encouraged, while also being stimulated to effective learning. We will include the processes of leading students from their current knowledge levels to comprehensive understanding, using multiple media effectively, and integrating Biblical truth and perspectives with first-rate science. Because this presentation is based on Mr. Eppley’s 7th grade science course, this session will be especially relevant for parents of current 6th and 7th graders!

Room: C-110

Time: 11:55-12:30

Teacher: Russ Eppley

RSVP: Patty Norris by Wednesday, Mar. 25 at 704-708-6135 or pnorris@covenantday.org

(2) “Plagiarism – What Parents Need to Know”

Summary: With the exponential growth of internet use for recreational as well as research purposes, students need to know how to find good information and how to use that information correctly after it’s found. Plagiarizing (stealing) intellectual material and claiming it as one’s own has been made easier by the technology to the extent that it is now possible for students to plagiarize, often without knowing it. This session will be geared to showing parents definitions of plagiarism, its scope (which is broader than you might think), and how to avoid it.

Room: C-105

Time: 12:45-1:20

Teacher: Richard Womack

RSVP: Patty Norris by Wednesday, Mar. 25 at 704-708-6135 or pnorris@covenantday.org

(3) “Phonics – A Foundation for Reading”

Summary: In this session with Mrs. Blackard, parents will learn the essentials of phonics-based reading skills and how they can partner with the Lower School teachers in the early school years to achieve maximum development in students’ reading abilities. The importance of phonemic awareness, fluency, and comprehension will be addressed. She will share ideas for hands-on activities that you and your child can do together to strengthen reading skills.

Room: B-110

Time: 12:30-1:00

Teacher: Ann Blackard

RSVP: Kim Grey by Wednesday, Mar. 25 at 704-708-6128 or kgrey@covenantday.org