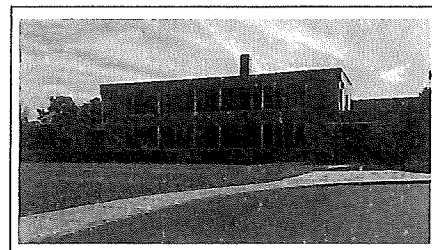


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Upcoming Events

- 4/9 First Day of 4th Qtr – half day
- 4/10 SAT (11th & any 12th graders that haven't taken the test)
- 4/11 Work Keys (11th grade) & PSAT (9th & 10th grades)
- 4/12 MSTEP testing, must attend
- 4/13 No school for students or staff

April Birthdays

Davon Tate	4/2
Ty Scott	4/7
Madison Mosby	4/8
Kierra Lawhead-Nelson	4/9
Skylynn Ford	4/9
Dustin Bennett	4/12
Austin Dennis	4/13
Ivan Cesco	4/16
Jesse Jones-Mitchell	4/18
Mr. Allard	4/19
Phatia Caldwell	4/24
Geremiah West	4/28
Jazlynn Vanbruggen	4/29



Spring
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Important Announcements

- Please remember any tobacco products or paraphernalia are not allowed on school property, this includes Vapes. If we see it, we will take it. If you are caught smoking on school property, you will be sent home.
- Please try your best to be at school ON TIME. 1st block begins at 8:00 a.m. If you would like breakfast, leave yourself enough time to eat before class. It's hard to learn when you're hungry!

Spring testing is just around the corner. Below are some ways to reduce test taking anxiety from TestTakingTips.com.

Reducing Test Taking Anxiety

Test anxiety is when a student excessively worries about doing well on a test. This can become a major hindrance on test performance and cause extreme nervousness and memory lapses among other symptoms. The following are tips on reducing test taking anxiety.

- Being well prepared for the test is the best way to reduce test taking anxiety.
- Space out your studying over a few days or weeks and continually review class material. Don't try to learn everything the night before.
- Try to maintain a positive attitude while preparing for the test and during the test.
- Exercising for a few days before the test will help reduce stress.
- Get a good night's sleep before the test.
- Show up to class early so you won't have to worry about being late.
- Chew gum (if allowed) during the test to help relieve test anxiety.
- Stay relaxed, if you begin to get nervous take a few deep breaths slowly to relax yourself and then get back to work.
- Read the directions slowly and carefully.
- If you don't understand the directions on the test, ask the teacher to explain it to you.
- Skim through the test so that you have a good idea how to pace yourself.
- Write down important formulas, facts, definitions and/or keywords in the margin first so you won't worry about forgetting them.
- Do the simple questions first to help build up your confidence for the harder questions.
- Don't worry about how fast other people finish their test; just concentrate on your own test.
- If you don't know an answer to a question skip it for the time being (come back to it later if you have time), and remember that you don't have to always get every question right to do well on the test.
- Focus on the question at hand. Don't let your mind wander on other things.



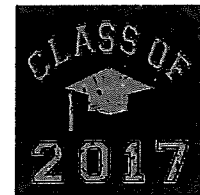
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Important Graduation Information to Remember:

- Cap & Gown fees of \$35.00 are due by Wednesday March 28th. You can pay by check, cash, or money order in the office. (Payable to Calhoun Community High School).
- Baby/toddler & graduation/current picture are due by April 30th. Either bring into school or email Mrs. Goodale at tgoodale@calhounhs.org
- Last day for graduating seniors is Thursday May 24th.
- Graduation is on Thursday June 7th in the Lakeview Middle School auditorium at 7:00p.m. There will be a mandatory luncheon in the cafeteria at 11:30, where we will hand out caps & gowns. There will be a rehearsal for the graduation ceremony following lunch.

Facts About School Attendance

Attending school might not be a big deal for you now, but the consequences can have a lasting impact on you. Check out the attendance facts from our friends at [Attendance Works](#).

- Absenteeism in the first month of school can predict poor attendance throughout the school year. Half the students who miss 2-4 days in September go on to miss nearly a month of school.
- An estimated 5 million to 7.5 million U.S. students miss nearly a month of school each year.
- Research shows that missing 10 percent of the school, or about 18 days in most school districts, negatively affects a student's academic performance. That's just two days a month and that's known as chronic absence.
- When students improve their attendance rates, they improve their academic prospects and chances for graduating
- Attendance improves when schools engage students and parents in positive ways and when schools provide mentors for chronically absent students.

According to the information above, you can see how important it is to attend school every day. If transportation is an issue, please talk to the office. We will do our very best to work with students that need assistance with transportation. You need to be in school in order to be successful!