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**Central MN Christian School**

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# **Winterim 2025**



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Course Description/Registration Catalog

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# winterim

**God has given  
each of you a gift  
from his great  
variety of spiritual  
gifts.  
Use them well to  
serve one another.  
1 Peter 4:10**

Winterim at Central Minnesota Christian School provides innovative curricula to engage students in week-long purposeful learning experiences. Students will explore a variety of subjects outside of the traditional school curriculum, exposing them to new ideas, potential careers, and lifetime skills.

Christian teachers and community mentors support students in unveiling their unique passions, abilities, and professional experiences. They desire to see students discover and develop their talents and grow in confidence as children of God.

Learning beyond the traditional classroom increases students' momentum and desire to learn, advancing Central Minnesota Christian School's mission of providing a Christ-centered, quality education that equips students for a life of service. This includes college, careers, community, abundant faith, and even rest and enjoyment.

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Please read course descriptions carefully for content, class size limitations, fees, and applicable grade levels. Additional policies are listed on the next page.

## **REGISTRATION**

Students will be emailed a Google Form on which to rank their course preferences. Registration priority may be given to upperclassmen. However, all students should understand that class choice may not be guaranteed due to class size limits. Final schedules will be available in FACTS prior to Christmas break.

## **LOCATION**

Winterim classes may be offered both on and off campus depending on the nature of the class. Permission slips will be needed for students driving to Winterim destinations that are not at school. Permission slips will also be needed for students to ride with another student to Winterim locations that are not at school. If permission is not given the student must take all winterim classes and eat lunch on campus. Please find the permission slips located on the last page of the Winterim Registration Catalog. Locations are listed in the course descriptions and on the master schedule.

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## **winterim policies**

### **Credits**

Winterim credits are required for graduation. Students will earn a total of 0.5 elective credits per Winterim. This credit is earned by taking two half-day classes. Winterim courses may not be substituted for regular courses required for graduation. Please see the Student Academic Pathway for further information regarding credits and overall graduation requirements.

### **Attendance**

Due to the concentrated framework of Winterim, consistent attendance is very important. Parents are strongly discouraged from stretching Christmas vacation into Winterim.

Even one absence is significant and may result in students being ineligible to pass the course. Absences will be considered on an individual basis, taking into account the purpose or reason of the absence and whether arrangements can be made to make up for missed work.

### **Pass/Fail**

All Winterim courses will be graded on a Pass/Fail basis. A failed Winterim course must be made up through an assigned Independent Study arranged with administration.

### **Fees**

Some project-based Winterim courses will require a fee to supplement the cost of materials. Fees are listed in the course descriptions and are due at the HS Office by December 20, 2024. Checks should be written out to CMCS.

If materials are needed for the course, instructors will communicate those items to students after registration is finalized.

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# winterim schedule

# january 6-10, 2024

\*Course includes a supply fee or materials list

## AM SESSION | 8:30-11:00

COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTOR	LOCATION
Baking Up Blessings	Mrs. Brouwer	Unity CRC Kitchen
Career Exploration	Mrs. Cook	Off Campus
Creative Writing Workshop: Worldbuilding	Mr. Abrams	Abrams' Room
Ice Fishing: Catch, Clean, & Cook*	Mr. Stier/Mr. Rothstein	Off Campus
In My Wellness Era	Mrs. Erickson	Gym and Fitness Center
Intro to Golf	Mr. Buteyn	Buteyn's Room/Simulator
Printmaking	Mrs. Setrum/Mr. Buehler	Art Room
Sewing for Beginners*	Mrs. Slagter	J. Bulthuis' Room
Simplify with Spreadsheets!	Miss Groen	Groen's Room
Sports for Life	Mrs. Jessica Bulthuis	Slagter's Room/Gym
Winterim Bible Study: Defined*	Mrs. Cari Bulthuis	High School Library

## LUNCH BREAK | 11:00-12:45

12:00-12:30 Lunch in the cafeteria.

## PM SESSION | 12:45-3:15

COURSE TITLE	INSTRUCTOR	LOCATION
Advanced Golf	Mr. Buteyn	Buteyn's Room/Simulator
Agriculture Business	Various Instructors	Various Community Locations
Burning Pellets: Smoking Meats & Flat Top Grilling	Mr. Rothstein	Industrial Tech Room
Career Exploration	Mrs. Cook	Off Campus
Cooking Basics	Mr. Buehler	First CRC Kitchen
Creative Writing Workshop: Worldbuilding	Mr. Abrams	Abrams' Room
Grit Don't Quit	Mrs. Lenae Bulthuis	Off Campus
Leadership w/ Patrick Lencioni	Mr. De Groot	Buehler's Room
Modern Day Charm*	Mrs. Duininck	Brouwer's Room
Sewing for Beginners	Mrs. Slagter	J. Bulthuis' Room
Sports for Life	Mrs. Jessica Bulthuis	Slagter's Room/Gym
The Ultimate Competition	Miss Groen	Groen's Room

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# course descriptions

## Advanced Golf

This course is designed to explore mental and physical techniques that can help improve the experienced golfer. Students desiring to join the class should have a solid base of knowledge of the game and a fair amount of practical experience. We will be using Jon Sherman's "The Four Foundations of Golf" as our primary source material. We will alternate between the classroom and simulators.

Teacher: Mr. Buteyn      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: PM Session      Location: Mr. Buteyn's Room/Simulator  
Class Size Limit: 8      Students Fee: None

## Agriculture Business

Agriculture Business includes a wide variety of companies, operations, and individuals. Join us as we explore the business of agriculture from farm operations - grain and livestock, seed and agrochemical manufacturers, farm machinery manufacturers, and agricultural construction. Location and instructors for the week include, Shane Miller - Miller Hogs, Beck's Plant in Olivia, Chris Schlegel/Keegan Mammen- Max Seed Solutions, Prinsco, Marcus Construction, and Ziegler CAT.

Teacher: Various Instructors      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: PM Session      Location: Various Locations  
Class Size Limit: 14      Students Fee: None

## Baking up Blessings

Do you have a sweet tooth? Like to bake, but don't want to eat it all? Baking is a great way to relieve stress, relax, and exercise your creativity. Students will gain hands-on experience making a variety of common baked goods. This course may feature some community guests baking their specialties with us. Join to enjoy the art of baking and using it to bless others.

Teacher: Mrs. Brouwer      Grade Level: 10-12      Schedule: AM Session      Location: Unity CRC  
Class Size Limit: 8      Students Fee: None

## Burning Pellets: Smoking Meats & Flat Top Grilling

We'll start out touring a local meat locker to learn where the different cuts of meat are located on an animal. Then, we'll bring that knowledge back to the classroom where we learn about the fundamentals of using a pellet smoker, and a blackstone griddle. We'll learn different techniques from dry brining to how different combinations of seasonings affect the flavor of the food. Each day we'll take a food trip, from tailgating to wildlife, you'll be using both the pellet smoker and griddle. If you have any food allergies, please let me know beforehand and I will do my best to accommodate you.

Teacher: Mr. Rothstein      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: PM Session      Location: Industrial Tech Room  
Class Size Limit: 6 students      Fee: None

## Career Exploration

Juniors and Seniors may sign up for the Career Exploration Program during the Winterim week. Students may choose between an internship or job-shadow experience and may choose from a ½ day or full day.

Teacher: Mrs. Cook      Grade Level: 11-12      Schedule: AM and/or PM Session      Location: Off Campus  
Class Size Limit:      Fee: None



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## course descriptions continued

### **Cooking Basics**

Feel lost in a kitchen? Afraid of a chef's knife? Ever wonder how someone can open their fridge and know exactly what to make? Join me for "cooking basics" as we learn our way around the kitchen. From searing to roasting, frying to reducing- this class will help you gain confidence in the kitchen and grow in your appreciation of one of God's greatest gifts: food!

Teacher: Mr. Buehler      Grade Level: 10-12      Schedule: PM Session      Location: First CRC  
Class Size Limit: 8      Students Fee: None

### **Creative Writing Workshop: Worldbuilding**

Participate in a week-long worldbuilding writer's workshop to develop your writing skills and exercise your creativity. In this workshop each student will get to build a world in which they would like to tell a story. We will be learning about how to make a fictional world feel "real" and relatable to readers. Students will receive feedback from both peers and myself as we work together to refine their creative process. We will also be doing a brief stint in cartography where students will have a chance to imagine and design a map for their world.

Teacher: Mr. Abrams      Grade Level: 9 -12      Schedule: AM and PM session      Location: Mr. Abrams' Classroom  
Class Size Limit: None      Fee: None

### **Grit Don't Quit**

Standing strong when the pressures on. When was the last time you felt like giving up or wondered what really mattered? Spiritual grit is the key to standing strong in your faith no matter what you face. We'll go remote to engage with inspiring guest speakers and explore the important "why" and "how-to" for the spiritual tools that make all the difference to being a girl with grit. You'll have fun discovering what it looks like to be resilient in your faith.

Teacher: Lenae Bulthuis and Megan Taatjes      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: PM session      Location: Off Campus  
Class Size Limit: 8 (Girls only)      Fee: None

### **Ice Fishing: Catch, Clean, & Cook**

Join us out on the ice for some fishing, fellowship, and food! Mr. Stier, Mr. Rothstein & Mr. Wubben will be teaching you the basics of ice fishing, cleaning fish, and cooking your catch. Over the course of the week, students will learn how to: (1) identify different species of fish and types of bait/lures to attract them, (2) tie a lure on the line, (3) read a sonar fishing device (Vexilar), (4) set the hook to catch the fish, (5) spear fish, (6) clean the fish caught, and (7) prepare and cook the fish.

Teacher: Dean Stier, Mr. Rothstein, and Ryan Wubben      Grade Level: 10 -12      Schedule: AM Session      Location: Off Campus  
Class Size Limit: 10      Fee: Fishing license fee

### **In My Wellness Era**

"In my Wellness Era" is all about embracing the bodies God created for us and learning to care for them in ways that honor Him. Each day brings something new, from exploring the purpose of physical strength to understanding nutrition and how it aligns with balance and self-love. We'll dive into topics like cycle care, protein-packed snacks, and how to stay active for life, with faith as our foundation. This isn't just a program; it's a journey to becoming strong, balanced, and joyful – nurturing the body and soul God entrusted to you.

Teacher: Annie Erickson      Grade Level: 9 -12      Schedule: AM Session      Location: High School Gym and Fitness Center  
Class Size Limit: 10 (Girls only)      Fee: None

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## course descriptions continued

### Intro to Golf

This course is designed to introduce students to the game of golf: from rules and swing techniques to basic strategy and management. Students desiring to join the class should have little-to-no experience with golf as this will be an introductory session.

Teacher: Mr. Buteyn      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: AM Session      Location: Mr. Buteyn's Room/Simulator  
Class Size Limit: 8      Fee: None

### Leadership with Patrick Lencioni

Lencioni is a master of taking big leadership theories and simplifying them into a usable framework. His use of parable and story translates leadership concepts into easy-to-understand principles. We will weigh his approach against scripture and consider how it plays out real life. Light reading, guest speakers, interviews, role playing, and discussion will make up the bulk of our time together.

Teacher: Mr. De Groot      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: PM session      Location: Mr. Buehler's Room  
Class Size Limit: None      Fee: None

### Modern Day Charm

In this girls only class, you will learn to exude confidence through style and social grace as you discover what spiritual and physical beauty look like (Jenna Wieberdink), choose fashions that are flattering and personal (Tina Novotny), discover the secrets behind hair and makeup trends (Carlee Stier) and embrace etiquette and hospitality (Shana Duinick & Lora Miller) with activities that are fun and interactive. Hope to see you there!

Teacher: Shana Duinick      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: PM session      Location: Mrs. Brouwer's Room  
Class Size Limit: 12 (Girls only)      Fee: Clothing purchase optional at Rev 320

### Printmaking

In this introductory printmaking class, students will be introduced to the methods of printmaking techniques. Participants will explore the basics of relief and lino cutting, while learning about the history and artistic possibilities of the process. Guided by Mrs. Setrum and Mr. Buehler, students will engage in hands-on projects, experimenting with materials and tools to create their own unique prints. Emphasis will be placed on developing personal style and expression, and finishing the week with a set of prints and or cards.

\*Those interested in the class must have taken Introduction to Art or higher level art classes.

Teacher: Mrs. Setrum      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: AM session      Location: Mrs. Setrum's Room  
Class Size Limit: 8      Fee: None

### Sewing for Beginners

Learn a life-long skill! We will spend the week sewing a pair of pajama pants, using fabric that you will pick out on a field trip to Joann Fabrics. If you have a sewing machine or can borrow one, bring it along. If you don't, I can make arrangements for you. Band-aids will be supplied for needle accidents.

Teacher: Mrs. Slagter      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: AM or PM Session      Location: Mrs. J. Bulthuis' Room  
Class Size Limit: 10 Per Section      Fee: \$20 for Fabric

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# course descriptions continued

## Simplify with Spreadsheets!

Do you have lots of data that needs organizing? Spreadsheets are your answer! From keeping track of your bank account, to organizing your athletic stats, to creating visual graphs of your data, spreadsheets are the way to go!

Teacher: Miss Groen      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: AM Session      Location: Miss Groen's Room  
Class Size Limit: None      Fee: None

## Sports for Life

Sports - activities involving physical exertion and skill in which an individual or team competes against others for entertainment. Sports are part of everyone's lives - even if you are not an active participant. The lessons that we can learn about life, relationships, and God's kingdom by participating in sports are invaluable.

Teacher: Mrs. Bulthuis      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: AM and PM Session      Location: Mrs. Slagter's Room/Gym  
Class Size Limit: 15      Fee: None

## The Ultimate Competition

Join us for the ultimate Rube Goldberg machine competition, where design meets creativity in an innovative showdown! Teams of two will engage in a hands-on challenge, collaborating to build an elaborate contraption that accomplishes a simple task in the most inventive ways. This event is not just about engineering; it's a fantastic opportunity for team-building and unleashing your imagination. Get ready to see how far your creativity can take you! Sign up in teams of two for a chance to win the bragging rights of Rube Goldberg champion! For more information simply look up Rube Goldberg machines on YouTube!

Teacher: Miss Groen      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: PM Session      Location: Miss Groen's Room  
Class Size Limit: None      Fee: None

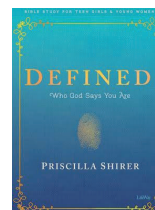
## Winterim Bible Study: Defined

Who Are You?

You are a miracle. And that's exactly what this study is about— your true identity. Who you really are. The culture will try to define you, your past may try to label you, the enemy will seek to deceive you, but no one has the authority to give you your name— your identity— except your Father. And He says that your uniqueness is an expression of His creative genius and is designed to reflect His glory.

You'll spend your whole life either trying to be and become something you were never meant to be, or discovering who you are in Him and living up to that standard by the power of His Spirit within you.

- Uniquely Created
- Struggles and Solutions
- Vital Signs
- Who You Are
- What You Have
- Walk This Way
- In Christ, On Purpose
- Guarding Your Identity



Join Mrs. Cari Bulthuis in the high school library to dig deeper, and examine who God has called you to be. In addition to the book, you will need your bible.

Teacher: Cari Bulthuis      Grade Level: 9-12      Schedule: AM Session      Location: High School Library  
Class Size Limit: 8 (Girls Only)      Fee: Book \$14.99

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# Transportation Permission Slip

## Winterim Parent Permission and Release of Liability (Updated 11/21/2023)

Student's Name (printed): \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark (X) next to the statement(s) that you agree with when transportation is not possible in school authorized vehicles:

\_\_\_\_\_ I DO give permission for my student to drive to and/or from winterim class locations.

\_\_\_\_\_ I DO give permission for my student to ride with adult or student to and/or from the winterim class locations.

\_\_\_\_\_ I DO NOT give permission for my student to ride with adult or student to and/or from the winterim class locations. (If permission is not given your student must take all winterim classes on CMCS Campus.)

By signing this permission/release form, I agree to absolve Central Minnesota Christian School and its employees, any parent, chaperones, and student drivers from any liability associated with driving my student to and from school Winterim activities during the 2024-25 school year.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name (printed) \_\_\_\_\_

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