



Parent Newsletter

December

Important Dates

Dec. 19-20 12:30pm release	Dec. 23-Jan. 3	Jan. 6	Jan. 7	Jan. 16-17	Jan. 20	Jan. 22 at 6:00pm	Feb. 5 at 6:00pm
Midterm Exams 12:30pm Early Release	No School - Winter Break	No School - PD Day	First day back after winter break	No School - Student-Led Conferences by Appoint- ment	No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Enrollment In- formation Ses- sion	Enrollment Information Session

TCS@ODU Needs Your Support!

You should have received a letter about The Graham School Annual Fund. The Annual Fund provides essential resources for our school. We hope to have parents, community members, and local businesses support this important effort. [Click here to make your donation.](#) Or mail in your reply envelope. Thanks in advance for your participation!

[Click here to show your support!](#)

**make
every
day
count**

TCS ATTENDANCE INITIATIVE

Attendance Attention Parents/Guardians *Attendance*

Attending school daily is critical to student success. Ohio's House Bill 410 law requires a preventative approach to excessive student absences. An Attendance Team has been established to work with our students and families to help improve daily attendance.

Note* - Missing as few as 2 days per month is considered chronically absent!

We want to see your student in school every day!

Participate in the Parent & Guardian Group!

At TCS@ODU we know that involving students' families as much as we can is a great way to help kids grow. We welcome all parents and guardians to participate by attending meetings, volunteering at school events, and donating snacks. If you interested in learning more about participating in this group please contact Jennifer Waddell at waddell.1@thecharlesschool.org.

The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University

Front Office Hours: 7:30am-4:00pm

1270 Brentnell Ave. Columbus, Ohio 43219 - 614-258-8588

Silent Auction Items Needed

We are seeking items for the Have a Heart silent auction. Items could include gift cards, art work, jewelry, crafts, event tickets, and more! As you shop and talk with your friends and family please think about items that might help with this wonderful event. Please contact Jennifer Waddell, waddell.1@thecharlesschool.org or 614-643-5068 with any questions or to donate items.

Funds raised at Have a Heart will support experience activities.

TCS@ODU Online Store is Open

The TGS Store is open! You can now pay school fees (\$35) and lunch balance online at the Store.

[Click here to pay online at the Store.](#)



TCS@ODU Student Receives Award for Best App!

TCS@ODU student Evan Smith attended a reception at the state house to accept his award for Best App at the TECHCORPS coding event.

Enrollment Information!

Please be sure to spread the word to friends and neighbors about our upcoming enrollment information sessions. If you know of students who might be interested in attending The Graham School, The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University, or GEMS, please let them know about our upcoming enrollment information sessions.

Wednesday at 6:00pm

January 22

February 5 & 19

AT

The Graham School
3950 Indianola Ave.

The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University
1270 Brentnell Ave.

GEMS
140 E. 16th Ave.

For more information please visit the school's websites

www.thegrahamschool.org

www.thecharlesschool.org

www.gemsschool.org

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RESIDENCY VERIFICATION NOTIFICATION

Per House Bill 21 community schools are now required to perform a monthly review of student files and randomly select families for residency verification. **Please be sure to contact the school immediately in case of an address change.** Proof of residency must be submitted within two weeks of an address change. If evidence is not provided, requests for additional documentation or a home visit may occur.

TCS@ODU is a School-wide Title 1 program, enabling us to receive Federal Funds to ensure that our students receive the support they need to reach and exceed grade level goals in reading and math. We welcome parent involvement in planning, review and improvement of Title 1 programs including the family engagement policy and the schoolwide program plan. Please contact Debbie Addison at addison.2@thecharlesschool.org with any questions.

Shopping Helps TCS Raise Money for Classroom Supplies!

When you shop at Kroger, Giant Eagle and/or Amazon you can help TCS raise money!

Kroger

Go to: www.krogercommunityrewards.com or call 1-800-837-4483 to enroll in the program. **If you enrolled last year you must re-enroll each year to help TCS.** Add TCS to your card. You can search for TCS by name or use our school code: **DC649**. Shop! Every time you use your Kroger Rewards Card TCS gets rebates. Kroger totals those rebates and sends TCS a check.

Giant Eagle

Go to: <https://www.gianteagle.com/schools/apples-for-students> to sign up online or by calling 1-800-474-4777. Add TCS to your card. Our school ID number is **5443**. Shop! Every time you use your Giant Eagle Advantage Card TCS earns educational rewards.

You shop. Amazon gives to The Charles School!

When you make a purchase on Amazon they will now donate 0.5% of your total purchase to The Charles School. Go to <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/20-2744006> to start shopping!



Celebrating 20 Years!

Save the Date

For

Have a Heart

Celebrating 20 years of Experiential Education and Honoring our Board members, past and present

Saturday, April 4, 2020 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

at

New Location

The Boat House at Confluence Park

679 West Spring Street Columbus, Ohio 43215

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