



Parent Newsletter

March

Important Dates

March 27 at 6:00pm	March 28 at 5:30pm	March 29	April 3 at 6:00pm	April 8-12 Early Release at 12:30pm	April 10 at 6:00pm	April 17 at 6:00pm	April 19-26	April 27 7:00-11:00pm	April 29
Enrollment Information Session	Graduation Meeting	No School - PD Day	Enrollment Information Session	Ohio's State Test	Enrollment Information Session	Enrollment Information Session	No School - Spring Break	TCS Prom	No School - PD Day

Ohio State Tests - April 8-12

Ohio State Tests will be administered April 8-12. This administration is for students currently enrolled in Math I and II, American History, Biology, English, or Government *and* students who have previously taken any of the state tests but did not achieve a proficient score. **Students are being prepared in their classes but should also prepare for the tests by going to bit.ly/AIR-resources and taking practice tests.** It is very important that your student be familiar with what the online test look like and takes practice test so they can earn their graduation points.

Attendance for all days during the last week of the quarter, especially during state testing is vital to student success toward graduation. School hours are 8:00am-12:30pm for the week of April 8-12, busing will be provided for all students who typically ride the bus.

Food Deliveries Will Be Turned Away

Recently, TCS@ODU students have been having food delivered via services such as GrubHub, UberEats and DoorDash. These deliveries are disruptive to the school day and require strangers to enter our building, which is a safety risk. Although the administration has been talking to students to clarify that these deliveries are not permitted, some students continue to order food. Students are also not permitted to order or bring food from outside restaurants for other students. Per our Student-Family Handbook, "A parent who wishes to provide a lunch for the student instead of the one provided by TCS @ ODU is required to bring the lunch to the school office where the student will be called to obtain it during the student's lunch period." **Food deliveries made to the school will be turned away, regardless of whether or not the delivery has already been paid for.**

Thank you for your support in this matter.

**** REMINDER ****

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 aware you could be randomly selected to provide proof of residency during one of the required monthly random selections. Proof of residency would need to be turned in to the school within two weeks of the request. The following documents would satisfy the needs of the residency verification:

- A deed, mortgage, lease, current home owner's or renter's insurance declaration page, or current real property tax bill.
- A utility bill or receipt of utility installation issued within the last 90 days.
- A paycheck or paystub issued to the parent or student within the last 90 days that includes the address of the parent's or student's primary residence.
- The most current available bank statement issued to parent or student that includes the address of the parent's or student's primary residence.
- Any other official document issued to the parent or student that includes the address of the parent's or student's primary residence.

IF EVIDENCE IS NOT PROVIDED REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION OR A HOME VISIT MAY OCCUR.

Attention Class of 2019
Graduation Meeting - Thursday, March 28 at 5:30pm

Please join us for a meeting about graduation on Thursday, March 28 at 5:30pm in the TCS@ODU gym.

Grocery Shopping Helps TCS Raise Money!

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: www.gianteagle.com/about/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!

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider."

What do you know about Vaping or Juuling?

Because most schools, including our own, are seeing an increased use of e-cigarettes, virtually unknown just 7 years ago, we want parents and guardians to be well-informed on the subject.

In September 2018 the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) launched a new public health education campaign, "The Real Cost" Youth E-Cigarette Prevention Campaign. High school students are either susceptible or already experimenting with e-cigarettes, also referred to as "vaping" or "juuling." In 2017, just over 1 in 10 high school students used e-cigarettes; now it's 1 in 5. What's worse is that many teens do not think these products are harmful. Some aren't even aware that most e-cigarettes contain nicotine. The link below contains a fact sheet provided by the FDA and Scholastic Books in order to assist parents, guardians and teachers become familiar with the myths and risks of vaping. We encourage you to read it and discuss with your student.

[Click here for more information.](#)

Enrollment Information Sessions!

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.

Wednesdays at 6:00pm

March 27 April 3 April 10 April 17
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.thegramschool.org www.thecharlesschool.org www.gemsschool.org

Words Matter: The Bullying of our LGBTQ+ Youth
Tuesday, April 16 - 6:00-8:00pm
Thomas Worthington High School Auditorium

One of The Graham School board members, who is involved with Worthington Schools, last year helped host a successful event for teachers and parents to answer a wide variety of questions relating to LBGQT issues in schools. They are holding the event again this year and have opened it up to the wider community including the staff and parents of The Graham Family Schools.

[Click here to view the evite and to RSVP.](#)

Have a Heart Was A Success

Thank you for all who attended Have a Heart an evening in support of The Graham Family of Schools on Saturday, March 2. Guests enjoyed watching students perform including TCS students Fiona Cobun and Tre Richardson, bidding on silent auction items, and listening to Steven Levy, nationally recognized education leader.



Fiona Cobun



Steven Levy



Tre Richardson



Attendance* Attention Parents/Guardians *Attendance

Attending school daily is critical to student success. Ohio's new 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!

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GEMS BETTER WORLD DAY FOOD TRUCK PICNIC!



The Paddy Wagon



TCS@ODU Prom
Saturday, April 27 - 7:00-11:00pm
at Jeffrey Mansion
More details will be sent out soon!

**FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2019
5:00 - 8:00PM**

**IN THE FRONT YARD
OF THE SCHOOL**

**140 E. 16TH AVE
COLUMBUS, OH 43201**

What are your plans for next year?

Please take a few minutes to let us know your student's plans for the 2019-20 school year. **Submit an online response by Tuesday, April 30 to hold your students seat for the 2019-20 school year.** [Click here to complete the survey.](#)

We are enrolling new students for next year and need to know how many spaces will be available. You can help us maintain correct class sizes and teaching resources by letting us know if your student is returning to The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University in August 2019. Please complete the short survey below and click submit when finished.

As you know, you are an integral part of our school and we appreciate your trust in The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University. We are looking forward to another exciting year of school with great learning opportunities for your student! [Click here to complete the quick survey.](#)