Have you watched the Welcome Back Video?

Click here to check out the video

Video with Enspanol subtitles

First Week of School Update Video

Meal Pick Up During Virtual Learning

During virtual learning TCS@ODU will continue to serve meals through The National School Lunch Program. Students will be able to pick up food on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10:00am till 1:00pm. They will be able to receive 5 days of meals at a time.

- Please sign-up a week in advance for Meal Pick-up. If you sign up later than the one week time frame we may not have enough meals to distribute. Click here to sign up.
- Ex: Sign-up by Tuesday, 8/25, if you plan on picking up meals on Tuesday, 9/1.
- Prices for meals served will be based on student’s lunch status.
  - Breakfast is free for all students regardless of their status.
  - Reduced meals are $0.40 per meal.
  - Full pay meals are $3.09 per meal.

Click here to fill out a Free and Reduced Lunch Application.

Click here to review the basics for handling food safely.

Upcoming Events

- Monday, August 31 - First day of school for CSCC students
- Monday, September 7 - No School Labor Day
- Thursday, September 24 - Virtual family conferences by appointment
- Thursday, October 8 - Quarter 1 ends
Our bell schedule for the first quarter (August 24th - October 9th) will ask students to log into their classes Monday - Thursday in order to work live with their teacher and class (Synchronous Learning).

Each afternoon and on Fridays students will work on their own, while teachers will be available for support (Asynchronous Learning).

The bell schedule will provide students an opportunity to work on half of their courses on Monday and Wednesday (A schedule), and the other half on Tuesday and Thursday (B schedule).

***Attendance will be taken based on appearance on screen and engagement with the teacher and the content during synchronous learning time in addition to the completion of required assignments***

- Synchronous learning- real time class, where students are required to login for live lessons with teachers.
- Asynchronous learning- independently completing required assignments, meeting with teacher(s) to ask questions and receive support.

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The Graham Family of Schools is looking for a Part Time School Nurse. Click here to learn more about the position.
Career Technical Education

TCS@ODU is excited to offer our career technical education (CTE) program in Information Technology this school year! Last year we had 20 students earn their first career technical certification and we are expanding our course offerings and student enrollment. Our introductory course, Information Technology, will be offered again and Web Design will be offered to those who earned credit in last year’s IT course. The certificates, credentials, and experiences students gain in these courses establish a foundation of knowledge in the IT field and prepare students for careers in that sector.

We were fortunate to have earned a grant, Expanding Opportunities for Each Child, with which to purchase some amazing tools and equipment for our staff and students to use. We will be checking-out circuit playgrounds to our students in Web Design for projects throughout the quarter. We’ve acquired a 3-D printer, vinyl cutter, spherobolt set, and drones. We’re so excited to show demonstrations of these while we’re virtual, and for students to start interacting with all of the tools once we’re in-person. Soon we will begin the process of creating a school enterprise, allowing students a real world interactive experience of working for a tech company. Please contact Evan Rulong at erulong@mail.thegrahamschool.org with any questions.

When you shop at Kroger, Giant Eagle, and/or Amazon you can help TCS@ODU raise money for classroom supplies

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@ODU. Add TCS@ODU 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@ODU gets rebates. Kroger totals those rebates and sends TCS@ODU 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@ODU to your card. Our school ID number is 5443. Shop! Every time you use your Giant Eagle Advantage Card TCS@ODU earns educational rewards

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

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.
Counseling Team Updates

Students still need to talk to school counselors while we are learning remotely! The counselors at TCS@ODU have established multiple ways to connect with students who need our services, since we are not physically in our offices however we are in our virtual offices. We have created a form for students to make appointments with the counseling team during asynchronous time -- this form is available in students' Google Classrooms, as well as on the Counseling website. The TCS@ODU Counseling Website has lots of resources for the entire TCS@ODU community, including crisis and hotline numbers, COVID testing site information, resource lists, food bank location information, and much more.

https://sites.google.com/thecharlesschool.org/tcscounseling/home

Anyone is welcome to reach out to the counseling team via email, and we will get back to you:

- Jane Hatch -- hatch.2@thecharlesschool.org -- academic advisor for 11th/12th grade and ODU students
- Emelie Heltsley Bensing -- heltsley.1@thecharlesschool.org -- academic advisor for 9th and 10th grades
- Lydia Jones -- ljones.1@thecharlesschool.org -- academic advisor for 11th/12th grade and CSCC students
- Allie Konet -- konet.1@thecharlesschool.org -- Head of the Counseling Department

**PLEASE NOTE: the counselors are not available 24/7 – if this is an emergency, please call 911, or use one of the crisis numbers below:

- Suicide Hotline: 1-800-273-8255 or 1-614-221-5445
- Teen Hotline: 1-614-294-3300
- Crisis Text Line: text "HELLO," "START," or "HOME" to 741741
- Safe Schools Tip Line: Call or text 1-844-723-3764

Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

Each year on September 15th, Latin American countries, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua celebrate their liberation and independence. This year, the entire month of September has been named Hispanic Heritage Month. Join the TCS@ODU Spanish Department each Friday during Hispanic Heritage Month as they share their history and culture with you.

Did you know that TCS@ODU has a Facebook page and an Instagram account?

Click here to like us on Facebook
Click here to follow us on Instagram
REGISTRATION PACKET MUST BE COMPLETED ASAP

If your student is attending TCS@ODU this year they are required to have the following items completed:

- **Annual Student Information packet (ASIP) on file.** [Here’s the link to complete the online ASIP.](#) You must use a desktop or laptop computer to complete and submit the online registration packet. Mobile devices don’t allow you to submit the document.

- **Submit a current Proof of Residence (PoR) dated July 1, 2020 or after.**
  - You may use a utility bill, lease agreement or mortgage statement.
  - Send your PoR via email to: office@TheCharlesSchool.org
  - Mail to TCS@ODU, 1270 Brentnell Ave, Columbus 43219,
  - Stop by the school and drop it off. We are here Monday-Friday from 8:00am-3:00pm. If you come to the building we ask you to wear a mask inside.
  - OR Fax the PoR to 614-643-5083.

  *These two items must be completed and turned in before you student can obtain a Chromebook AND a copy of their schedule for the first quarter.*

- We strongly encourage all of our families to pay the annual student school fee of $35. The student school fee can be paid on the secure TCS@ODU website. [Click here to go to the Store.](#) School fees help cover the cost of technology, software, and Chromebooks.

- All families need to complete the Free and Reduced Lunch application which must be printed and returned to the school in person, by mail, or email. [Here is the Free and Reduced Lunch application link.](#)

If you have any questions, please contact us at: office@TheCharlesSchool.org or call us at 614-258-8588. We appreciate your attention to these important matters.
TCS@ODU Class of 2020 Alumni, Cezanne Edwards, and current student, Ty'Keice Cox, did a phenomenal job during the For The Youth, By The Youth: A.M.P. Youth For Social Change Virtual Conference held through Franklin County Job and Family Services. On Friday, August 7th, 2020, Cezanne Edwards served as the host for this conference and Ty'Keice Cox served on the Youth Expert Panel. They spoke to over 150+ people and certainly knew how to work the crowd. We are so proud of them for their continued community engagement and desire to be the change they wish to see and experience.
WELCOME BACK #TCSPanthers!

We hope YOU are just as EXCITED for your 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL as we are! We have missed you and are looking forward to #Growing with you this academic year. We want to see your #GlowUp and are challenging YOU to post your first day of school, #DRESStoIMPRESS, picture on IG and TAG @tcs_odu FOR A CHANCE TO WIN a pair of Beats By Dre headphones or a ring light. Be sure to hit the follow button and #StayTuned as there will be more giveaways all year long! #GrowthMindset #Community #Grit #Integrity #Courage #BeatsByDre #Upward #Onward #TheTimeIsNow #TCSPanthersPursueExcellence