

# Parent Newsletter



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June, 2020

## TCS@ODU Building is Open

The TCS@ODU building is open Monday - Friday from 9:00am - 3:00Ppm. Facemasks are required when entering the building. There are signs outside and inside the building going over the rules and regulations for being in the building.

You are welcome to stop by and drop off laptops and enrollment paperwork, get work permits processed, return Annual Student Information Packets, pick up copies of records, and conduct any other business.

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## Message From the Deans

The safety of our students, families and staff is our first priority. While we continue to wait for guidance from the governor and the health department, we are actively working on a plan to safely reopen our building in August.

When our plans are finalized, information will be posted on the website and on Facebook, and sent to our families through eblasts and in the newsletter.

School will start on 8/10/2020 for new freshmen and on 8/17/20 for all students. We will either be in the building or have a hybrid of being in the building and working from remote locations (home).

Thank you for your patience and flexibility.

Stay safe.

### Is Your Student Returning to TCS@ODU in the Fall?

If your student is planning on returning to TCS@ODU next year (2020-2021) please complete the returning student registration packet, we have made them available to be filled out online!

**Please click on the following  
link: [TCS@ODU ASIP 2020-2021](#) to  
complete the returning student packet.**

We need one packet completed for each child you have attending TCS@ODU.

We ask our families to help with expenses

### Congratulations Class of 2020!

**[Click here to watch the  
graduation ceremony.](#)**

by paying an annual school fee of \$35.00. [Please click here pay at the online store.](#)

Thank you for all of your support. If you have any questions about these forms, please email Gail Collins at [collins.5@thecharlesschool.org](mailto:collins.5@thecharlesschool.org)

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## Have you Completed the Free and Reduced Lunch Forms?

Please [click here to complete the Free and Reduced Lunch forms.](#) Please [click here to learn more about the Free and Reduced Lunch program.](#)

Mail or drop off completed forms to TCS@ODU, 1270 Brentnell Ave, Columbus, OH 43219 or you can e-mail the completed forms to Sidney Leatherman at [sleatherman.1@thecharlesschool.org](mailto:sleatherman.1@thecharlesschool.org).

## Have You Completed the School Year Survey?

We would love to have feedback from our parents about how well remote learning worked for you. Please take a few moments to give us some much needed feedback so we can better serve you and your student in the future.

[Survey Link](#)

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## Nurses Notes:

Please send in an updated vaccine record for your student as soon as possible for next year. This is required per Ohio Law.

Vaccination Requirements for 2020-2021 school year:

- all incoming 9-11th graders are required to have 1 MCV4 vaccine
- all incoming 12th graders are required to have 2 doses of MCV4 vaccine. \*only need 1 if first dose was given on or after the 16th birthday\*





#### The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University - Response to George Floyd's Murder:

We, the leadership and staff at The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University, a member of The Graham Family of Schools, are shocked and saddened by the senseless and tragic murder of George Floyd. His death, like that of Breonna Taylor and Ahmaud Arbery, spotlights the urgent need for change in our country. We are committed to being a part of that change. We have been inspired by the peaceful protests, the chants for change, and those in positions of power who have joined these movements in solidarity. We see how the justice system and police reform all too often stands opposed to our black students, families, and friends to being treated fairly and equitably. We recognize that this holds true our Hispanic students, families, and friends as well. We see these inequities and we stand opposed. We stand in solidarity to the voices for change. We support the need for reform in policing in our city which protects the lives of our students, families, friends and colleagues.

As educators our mission is to prepare all of our students for lives of opportunity. We want them to be change agents for their community. We want them to be articulate, critical thinkers. We believe in their potential and in their voice. In that spirit, we honor our students' experiences, thoughts, and healing in this time. We welcome their input to help improve Columbus, to contribute their words and art to reflect this extraordinary time. We are actively working with students who have reached out to help them express themselves and support their intellectual and emotional processing of the violence and protests. And we are working with various partners to bring resources to our students, to assist with media literacy, healing, and campaigning for change.

The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University has been committed to social justice and educational attainment for all of our students since the inception of our school. In some aspects, however, we are only beginning in this work. We look forward to lending support to our students' extraordinary talent and limitless possibility. We understand that there is much work to be done, and that we as the educators of your children, need to listen, learn, unlearn, and put our values of diversity, equity, and inclusion into action. We stand together, as a TCS@ODU community, to embrace one another fully, empower students continuously, and pursue educational justice unapologetically.

Sincerely,  
Mr. Ed Ingman, Dean  
Ms. Allie Konet, Dean  
Ms. Melissa Rulong, Dean

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

## **Kroger**

Go to: [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://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 Smile 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!

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## Summer Meal Information

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

All children ages 1 through 18 are eligible to receive free meals during the summer months at participating program sites. Individuals age 19 through 21 who have been identified as having mental or physical disabilities and are following Individualized Education Programs (IEP's) through their current enrollment in educational programs are also eligible for free summer meals. Below is a sample of locations available for the summer of 2019. For a full list of locations, or a location near to you, call 1-866-3-HUNGRY(486479), or visit <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Student-Supports/Coronavirus/Supporting-Whole-Child-Nutriti>

- A+ Arts Academy Maybury Campus – 2633 Maybury Rd. Columbus, OH 43232
- Africentric Elementary School - 3223 Allegheny Avenue Columbus, OH 43209
- Asbury Elementary School- 5127 Harbor Blvd Columbus, OH 53232
- Berwick Plaza - 2745 Winchester Pike. Columbus, OH 43232





## Important Information about Your Child's School Meals

If you have a child in kindergarten through twelfth grade in your household who was receiving free or reduced-price meals while in school, your child is eligible for the Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) program to receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits as a result of the school closure.

### What are the benefits the child will receive?

The amount of benefits is \$5.70 per child for each school day the child was eligible for free or reduced-price meals between March 17, 2020 through May 29, 2020.

### Do I have to accept the card and use it?

- » No, your participation in the program is voluntary.
- » If you choose not to participate, please dispose of your card by cutting through the magnetic stripe on the card and discard the card in a secure manner.
- » If you do not want the card, you will not be able to redeem the food benefits, nor can you transfer the card to someone else.

### How can I use these benefits?

These benefits can be used to buy food items at grocery stores/retailers that accept the Ohio Direction Card (also referred to as an EBT card).

If the child is a current SNAP recipient:

- » By the end of May, the P-EBT benefits may be added to the account on which the child is active.
- » If the child was unable to be matched to his or her active SNAP account, you will be sent a P-EBT card in the child's name.

If the child is not a current SNAP recipient:

- » By mid-June you should receive a preloaded P-EBT card in the mail. The card will be in the child's name, not the parent or guardian's name. Instructions on how to activate the card will be included.

If you have any questions, please contact 1-866-244-0071.



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## Información importante sobre las Comidas Escolares de su Hijo

Si tiene un hijo de jardín de infantes a duodécimo grado en su hogar que estaba recibiendo comidas gratis o de precio reducido mientras estaba en la escuela, su hijo es elegible para el programa Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) para recibir los beneficios del Programa de Asistencia Nutricional Suplementaria (SNAP) como resultado del cierre de la escuela.

### ¿Cuáles son los beneficios que recibirá el niño?

La cantidad de beneficios es de \$ 5.70 por niño por cada día escolar que el niño era elegible para recibir comidas gratis o a precio reducido entre el 17 de marzo, 2020 hasta el 29 de mayo de 2020.

### ¿Tengo que aceptar y usar la tarjeta?

- » No, su participación en el programa es voluntaria.
- » Si decide no participar, deseche su tarjeta cortando la banda magnética de la tarjeta y deséchela de manera segura.
- » Si no desea la tarjeta, no podrá canjear los beneficios de alimentos ni podrá transferir la tarjeta a otra persona.

Si tiene alguna pregunta,  
comuníquese al 1-866-244-0071.

### ¿Cómo puedo usar estos beneficios?

Estos beneficios se pueden usar para comprar alimentos en colmados / minoristas que aceptan la Tarjeta de Dirección de Ohio (también conocida como tarjeta EBT).

Si el niño es un usuario actual de SNAP:

- » Para fines de mayo, los beneficios de P-EBT pueden agregarse a la cuenta de SNAP en la que el niño está activo.
- » Si el niño no pudo ser pareado con su cuenta activa de SNAP, se le enviará una tarjeta P-EBT a nombre del niño.

Si el niño no es un usuario actual de SNAP:

- » A mediados de junio usted debe recibir por correo una tarjeta precargada de P-EBT. La tarjeta estará a nombre del niño, no del padre o tutor. Se incluirán instrucciones sobre cómo activar la tarjeta.

### 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.

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](mailto:addison.2@thecharlesschool.org) with any questions.

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