Parent Newsletter
October

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SAT, PSAT 8/9 & PSAT/NMSQT Fall Testing - Wed. Oct. 30

On Wednesday, October 30th all students will be taking a College Board test. Please note the change in date, and that this is a full day of school, not an early release day as previously indicated on the calendar. The 9th graders will take the PSAT 8/9, all 10th and 11th graders will take the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) and 12th graders who take high school classes and Early College 12th and 13th graders who RSVPed to their advisor will take the SAT. The tests begin promptly at 8:00AM, and will last until approximately 12:30PM.

The PSAT 8/9, PSAT/NMSQT, and SAT are important steps on the road to college. The tests measure critical reading, verbal reasoning, math problem solving, and writing skills. They assesses knowledge and skills developed through years of study in a wide range of courses as well as through experiences outside the classroom. Although the PSAT 8/9, PSAT/NMSQT, and SAT are not directly related to a specific high school curriculum, they are developed to reflect the kinds of academic experiences that teachers consider important for students to be college and career ready.

Students can prepare for the PSAT 8/9, PSAT/NMSQT, and SAT on the College Board Website. Students can learn about the types of questions that will be on the test by visiting www.CollegeBoard.org. College Board has teamed up with Khan Academy to provide free, personalized practice.

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 or events, and donating snacks. If you interested in learning more about participating in this group please contact Jennifer Waddell at waddell.1@thecharlesschool.org.

Knitting Club

Knitting club is looking for new members! Join us on Fridays in room 5 from 3:00-4:00pm. Please e-mail Ms. Menechella at amenechella.1@thecharlesschool.org with any questions.

The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University
Front Office Hours: 7:30am-4:00pm 1270 Brentnell Ave. Columbus, Ohio 43219 - 614-258-8588
**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!

**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.

**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.

**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**

October 23 November 13

AT

The Graham School The Charles School at Ohio Dominican University GEMS

3950 Indianola Ave. 1270 Brentnell Ave. 140 E. 16th Ave.

For more information please visit the school’s websites

www.thegrahamschool.org www.thecharlesschool.org www.gemsschool.org

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider."
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!

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**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

Please contact Jennifer Waddell, waddell.1@thecharlesschool.org or 614-643-5068 with any questions.
Homecoming - Saturday, October 12