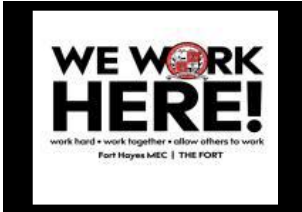


# Fort Hayes Opus

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The mission of Fort Hayes is to create expectations of excellence through challenging and collaborative learning by blending the arts, academic and career programs.



## Main Office

Main Number (614) 365-6681

**High School Office 7am – 3:30pm**

Office 380-977-6177

Attendance 380-977-6179

School Counselors:

Gillman (L-Z) 380-997-6186

Kliner 380-997-6187

Peterson (A-K) 380-997-6188

**Career Center Office 7am–3:30pm**

Office 380-977-6050

Attendance 380-977-6139

School Counselors:

Kanowsky 380-977-6054

Matunas 380-977-6052



Located in Buildings  
101 & CAATC/Health

## How do I maintain a Teachable Attitude?

John Maxwell

Teachability is not so much about competence and mental capacity as it is about attitude. It is the desire to listen, learn and apply. It is the hunger to discover and grow. It is the willingness to learn, unlearn and relearn. I love the way legendary basketball coach John Wooded states it: “It’s what you learn after you know it all that counts”. When I teach and mentor leaders, I remind them that if they stop learning, they stop leading. But if they remain teachable and keep learning, they will be able to keep making an impact as leaders. Whatever your talent happens to be – whether it’s leadership, craftsmanship, entrepreneurship, or something else – you will expand it if you keep expecting and striving to learn.

Futurist and author John Naisbitt believes that “the most important skill to acquire learning is how to learn”. Here is what I suggest as you pursue teachability:

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## Information from Career Technical Education

### **Students set to Return on February 1!**

*Students are to follow their previously assigned cohorts. Please remember on days that you are not learning IN PERSON, to mark your attendance in Infinite Campus.*

### **Counselor Information:**

*Here at Fort Hayes Career Center, we have a wonderful counseling staff that is focused on ensuring our students have what they need to be successful in their classes. Our counselors have created Google Sites that will enable students to connect to resources that address Mental Health, Self-Care, College and Career, Community and Virtual Learning.*

*If your student is in the following programs: Construction Arts, Health Sciences, and/or Community based programs, Ms. Kanowsky is their counselor.*

*Her google site is*

<https://sites.google.com/columbus.k12.oh.us/kanowskyoffice/home>

*If your student is in the following programs: Transportation Systems, Arts and/or Communications,*

*Ms. Matunas is their counselor.*

*Her google site is*

<https://sites.google.com/columbus.k12.oh.us/fhcccounselorartsauto/home>

### **Chromebook Information:**

*If your child is experiencing issues with their District issued Chromebook and/or Hotspot, please be sure to contact your home school. For all general access questions, log in issues, parent/student account issues, please contact the CCS Help Desk at 614-365-8425.*

## “Maintaining a Teachable Attitude...” continued

### **Learn to Listen**

American writer and philosopher Henry David Thoreau wrote, “It takes two to speak the truth – one to speak and one to hear”. Being a good listener helps us to know people better, to learn what they have learned, and to show them that we value them as individuals.

As you go through each day, remember that you can’t learn if you’re always talking. As the old saying goes, “There’s a reason you have one mouth and two ears”. Listen to others and remain humble, and you will learn things that can help you expand your talent.

### **Understand the Learning Process**

Here’s how learning typically works:

Step One: Act

Step Two: Look for your mistakes and evaluate

Step Three: Search for a way to do it better

Step Four: Go back to Step One

Remember, the greatest enemy of learning is knowing. And the goal of all learning is action, not knowledge. If what you are doing does not in some way contribute to what you or others are learning in life, then question its value and be prepared to make changes.

### **Look for and Plan Teachable Moments**

If you look for opportunities to learn in every situation, you will expand your talent to its potential. But you can also take another step beyond this and actively seek out and plan teachable moments. You do that by reading books, visiting places that inspire you, attending events that prompt you to pursue change, and spending time with people who stretch you and expose you to new experiences.

## “...Teachable Attitude” conclusion

### Make your Teachable Moments Count

Even people who are strategic about seeking teachable moments can miss the whole point of the experience. I say this because for many years I've been a speaker at conferences and workshops – events that are designed to help people learn. But I've found that many people walk away from an event and do very little with what they heard. We tend to focus on learning events instead of the learning process.

Because of this, I try to help people take action steps that will help them implement what they learn. I suggest that in their notes, they pay special attention to:

- Points they need to think about
- Changes they need to make
- Lessons they need to apply
- Information that they need to share

Then after the conference, I recommend that they create to-do lists based on what they took note of, then schedule time to follow through.

### Ask Yourself, “Am I really teachable?”

I've said it before, but it bears repeating: all the good advice in the world won't help if you don't have a teachable spirit. To know whether you are *really* open to new ideas and new ways of doing things, ask yourself the following questions:

1. Am I open to other people's ideas?
2. Do I listen more than I talk?
3. Am I open to changing my opinion based on new information?
4. Do I readily admit when I am wrong?
5. Do I observe before acting on a situation?
6. Do I ask questions?
7. Am I willing to ask a question that will expose my ignorance?
8. Am I open to doing things in a way I haven't done before?
9. Am I willing to ask for directions?
10. Do I act defensive when criticized, or do I listen openly for truth?

If you answered no to one or more of these questions, then you have room to grow in the area of teachability. You need to soften your attitude, learn humility, and remember the words of John Wooden: “Everything we know we learned from someone else!”

## Staff Calendar

**Monday, December 14**  
Faculty Meeting

**Friday, December 18**  
30-minute early release

**Saturday, December 19  
through Sunday, January 1**  
Winter Break

**Monday, January 4**  
Faculty Meeting

**Friday, January 15**  
End of Quarter 2/Semester 1

**Monday, January 18**  
MLK, Jr. Day  
(no school for students)

**Tuesday, January 19**  
Records Day  
(no school for students)

**Monday, January 25 through  
Friday, January 29**  
Spirit Week for students and staff





Former Fort Hayes student Playon Patrick has been featured in the Stacker article titled, "50 Essential Civil Rights Speeches." His piece ranked in a list celebrating the works of revolutionaries such as Malcom X, Dr. King, James Baldwin, and Angela Davis.

If you would like to watch Playon perform his speech, please follow the link below. Playon's speech is number 47 on the list, and a video of his performance is hyperlinked in the article.

<https://stacker.com/stories/5392/50-essential-civil-rights-speeches?page=5>

Please follow this link for District Updates as well as information regarding Virtual Family Engagement Sessions and Learning Extension Centers

<https://www.ccsos.us/domain/3474>



BE EXCELLENT.  
BE THE EXCEPTION.  
**BE FORT HAYES.**

Focused                      Hardworking  
Organized                    Artistic  
Resourceful                 Yearlong  
Teachable                    Engaged  
                                      Scholarly

**WE WORK HERE!**

CCS is making students  
**READY FOR SUCCESS**

Through:  
Instructional Fidelity  
Leadership Fidelity  
Parent Engagement  
Culture and Climate

## Columbus City Schools 2020-2021 School Calendar

### Dates to Remember

Aug 24 - Sept 4	Staff Professional Development
7-Sep	Labor Day (schools closed)
8-Sep	First Day for Students
16-Oct	Professional Development Day
27-Oct	End of Q1
28-Oct	Records Day
3-Nov	Professional Development Day
25-Nov	Parent Teacher Conf. Comp Day
Nov 26 - 27	Thanksgiving Vacation
18-Dec	30 Min Early Release (Holiday)
Dec 21 - Jan 1	Winter Break
15-Jan	End of Q2
18-Jan	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
19-Jan	Records Day
3-Feb	Professional Development Day
15-Feb	Parent Teacher Conf. Comp Day
23-Mar	End of Q3
24-Mar	Records Day
1-Apr	30 Min Early Release (Holiday)
April 4 - 9	Spring Break
31-May	Memorial Day
3-Jun	Last Day for Students
4-Jun	Records Day

***"The curriculum tells you 'what', not 'how'.  
The 'how' is the artistry in education."***

**George Couros**



# Parent Page

## Parent Portal: What is that?!

It is the way within Columbus City School District that parents are able to access all of their students' information: from grades, attendance, teacher contact information, missing assignments, paperless applications to fee payments.

### Most importantly, it is our way of communicating with YOU.

With so many things going digital right now, the ability to communicate with our parents is even more important than ever. In order to do that, we must have your correct contact information.

**Please, Please, Please** update and verify your:

- Contact Email
- Contact Phone number

The link to the Parent Portal is below:  
<https://www.ccsdh.us/ParentPortal.aspx>

### **Forgot Your Password?**

Email:

[parentportalaccess@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:parentportalaccess@columbus.k12.oh.us)

Or call the CCS FACT Line at  
614-221-FACT (3228)

## STUDENT TECHNOLOGY INFORMATION

If your student needs a **Chromebook or Hotspot** please contact the school principal and we will set up a time for pick up.

Please contact the CCS Help Desk if the student or parent has any:

- General Access Questions
- Log In issues
- Account Questions

**Columbus City Schools Helpdesk:**  
**614-365-8425**

If your child has a **broken** Chromebook, Hotspot or broken/lost Power Adapter, please contact the school to schedule a time for an exchange.

<https://www.ccsdh.us/FortHayesHS>

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