Pegasus Pulse

The Monthly Newsletter of Columbus Alternative High School

Excellence is the Standard-Not the Exception. It's Our Mindset, Not a Moment. First Week of School Recap Special Edition

CAHS COLUMBUS ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL

From the Principal's Desk

Dear CAHS Families,

We are excited to share that we had a wonderful opening week of school! Our students started the year strong and ended the week celebrating together playing games, hanging out in the courtyard or participating in sports. We kicked off the year learning and practicing our schoolwide policies and procedures, building routines, and beginning to dive into their coursework. It has been energizing to see our classrooms filled with students engaged, prepared, and ready to learn.

Thank you for your continued partnership in helping us start the year on such a positive note. We are looking forward to all that we will accomplish together in the weeks ahead.

With Pegasus pride, CAHS Principal, Michelle Lewis



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1st Week Highlights from AP Bryant

Our CAHSmic scholars were busy building relationships and learning as they settled in during our first week of school. See if you spot yourself in the photos below the highlights! Keep on Exploring Your Excellence!

Students worked hard embracing Focus Mode and enjoyed some games together while others created dance moves. Mod 7 lunch had the most students who talked to someone new!

In the math department, students collected data and charted relative frequency. Another class worked in small groups, justifying their use of brackets and parenthesis while working with coordinates. Algebra 1 students practiced their 4 step plan with solving multi-step equations.

In the science department, students made real world connections in anatomy class. Physical science students created a product to represent lab safety procedures. Biology students had an opportunity to construct convincing arguments about pseudoscience.

Students also came together for a student meeting to:

- have a unified strong start
- reflect on how they can be a leader at CAHS
- share what they're nervous about this year (and what they're leaving behind)
- connect with each other on big audacious goals for their futures

Alex: English professor and writer, book titled "Requiem"

Tori: Veterinarian, working with cats

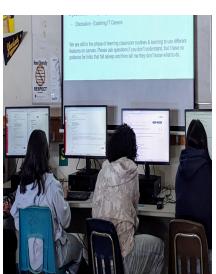
Brianna: Lawyer James: Musician Matthew: Engineer *Melat: Radiologist*



Student Shoutouts-students engaged and ready to learn!









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Upcoming College Visits: More will be scheduled - check SchooLinks frequently for updates!

- Monday, September 8th, 2025 Case Western Reserve University (lunch mods)
- Tuesday, September 9th, 2025 Miami University (lunch mods)
- Friday, September 12th, 2025 The College of Wooster (lunch mods)
- Monday, September 15th, 2025 University of Notre Dame (lunch mods)
- Tuesday, September 16th, 2025 Hamilton College (lunch mods)
- Monday, September 22nd, 2025 Ohio Wesleyan University (lunch mods)
- Tuesday, September 23rd, 2025 The Ohio State University (lunch mods)
- Thursday, September 25th, 2025 Vanderbilt University (lunch mods)
- Monday, September 29th, 2025 Capital University (lunch mods)
- Tuesday, September 30th, 2025 Denison University (lunch mods)

School-Wide Reminders

■ Device Expectations: Phones away. Eyes up. Engagement on.We're locked in because focus is our foundation.
Please review our CAHS Expectations 25 26 Overview

Scholars are doing a great job at staying engaged and in FOCUS MODE. Please continue to reinforce all devices are away during the entire school day 7:30-2:30. Students have also been enjoying time together during lunch without their devices. We are so proud of their efforts this week!





Arrival and Dismissal

Please be sure to use the small lot for drop off in the AM and pick up in the PM. The large lot is for bus traffic only. This is for safety reasons due to a high volume of students exiting/entering the buses and the flow of traffic.

Internship is coming in November for all Junior and Seniors on track for graduation.

Internship and Work Based Learning Coordinator, Ms. Samantha Smith ssmith2@columbus.k12.oh.us was in classrooms this week providing expectations for internship. Please ask your student to explain their first steps symbol.up



Let us know what you'd like to see in future issues of Pegasus Pulse!

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