

Celebrating Black History Month with the words of 'Lift Every Voice and Sing'

that celebrates African American freedom, community & pride

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INPORTANT DATES

- Feb 17 NO SCHOOL P/Teacher Conference Comp Day
- Feb 20 CLASS PICTURE DAY
- Feb 25 CAMERA CLUB 3:30p
- Feb 26 NORTHWEST STRING FESTIVAL, Centennial HS @ 6:30 pm
- Mar 3 STUDENT OF THE MONTH LUNCH RECOGNITION



- Mar 5 NO SCHOOL District Professional Development
- Mar 11 CHOCOLATE BAR FUNDRAISER KICK-OFF

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

The students this month were recognized for demonstrating **BEING RESPONSIBLE, BEING RESPECTFUL and BEING READY TO LEARN.**

Mrs. Malone - Rm 1 - Leya Hannat Mrs Darst - Rm 14 - Mohammed Jalloh Ms Eichman - Rm 6 - Yousif Sharif Mrs Gresock - Rm 7 - Esa Kabba Mrs Kennedy - Rm 19 - Nikki Zavala Mrs Concitis - Rm 18 - Devi Liesner Mr Dietry - Rm 17- Jasmine White Mrs Thalgott - Rm 16 - Alex Newcome Ms Amos - Rm 8 - Ferhat Hannah Mrs. Rammel - Rm 9 - Aiden Foxhuber Mrs Burke - Rm 3 -Breshna Madad Mr Abernathy - Rm 2 - Pariz Crumpton-Hill Mrs Hulteen - Rm 11 - Lani Ross Mr Mitchell - Rm 12 - Allie Stewart Mrs Armpriester - Rm 15 - Shanti Liesner Ms Lewis /Mrs Bossa - Rm 10 - Austin Thompson



FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Save the Date - March 25th

Come to our 1st **Family Game Night** and simply have fun playing a variety of games with your students. Look for more information to come soon.



SCHOOL SMILES ON-SITE DENTAL CARE IS COMING



FREE COSI MEMBERSHIP



Give your family the gift of science learning with a free membership to COSI! Thanks to the generosity of the Robert Weiler Company, Columbus City Schools **5th-grade students** and their families can receive **FREE** year-round visits to COSI! *Elementary School Family Ambassadors* can also receive these memberships!

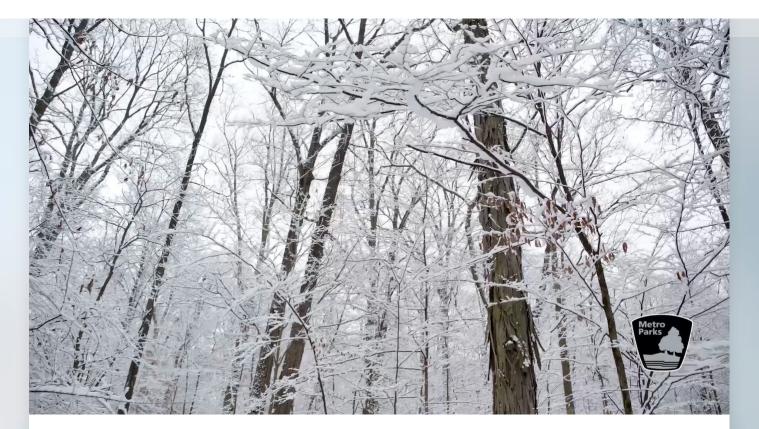
Memberships are limited. Don't wait. Apply today! First come, first served. <u>Application closes on</u> <u>February 28th, 2025.</u>

Please use the link below to register for your FREE membership.

FREE COSI Membership to 5th Grade Families - Click Here

COMMUNITY NEWS

FREE Winter Fun at Metro Parks



Did you know there are FREE sledding hills at the local Metro Parks?

When the snow obliges, there's no greater fun and free winter activity than to get out your sled, clamber to the top of a Metro Parks sledding hill and just go! All the sledding hills are monitored by park staff for safety and to make sure everyone has a great time.

- <u>Battelle Darby Creek</u>
- Blacklick Woods
- <u>Highbanks</u>
- Quarry Trails
- Scioto Audubon
- Scioto Grove
- Sharon Woods
- Walnut Woods

Not interested in sledding? Gather your friends and family for a hike on any trail. Free refreshments are offered at the parks during the times listed.

February

Saturday February 15, 10am-1pm at Three Creeks

Sunday, February 23, 2025 11am-3pm at Blacklick Woods Golf Course - Winter Hike Celebration! **For more information about parks and programs, visit the link below.**

Franklin County Metro Parks Information Llnk - Click Here

Bill Pay Resources

CAP4Kids Newsletter

Temperatures are finally dropping, which means energy costs are rising. For many families in Columbus, this means incredible hardships that can affect the health of the children living in the home. Sometimes families have to make very difficult decisions, and using alternatives to standard heating can cost lives. Help families reduce energy consumption, as well as find programs to help with bills piling up. There are many free programs out there we want people to know about.

- Ree Baby Supplies
- @Coats & Clothing
- Ilitation Index Index
- <u>Reduced-Cost Internet</u>
- MODio Benefits & Assistance Programs
- <u>Compensation for Victims of Crime</u>
- <u>**Low-Cost & Free Legal Services</u>
- <u>Affordable Housing</u>
- 🛽 Free Tax Filing
- **Temporary Financial Assistance**
- Macolumbus Public Health Lists: Emergency Resources & Job Help
 Click on the link below to find this and more resources for your family

Financial Resources Information - Click Here

More than Storytime - Columbus Library Classes and Programs for Adults

Columbus Metropolitan Libraries offer more than Storytime events for families. Branch locations offer resources for adults that include:

- Meetings with an attorney from the Legal Aid Society of Columbus to get your legal questions answered
- Free citizenship classes for adults preparing to become naturalized citizens. Weekly sessions review US history, government, civics, and interview preparation
- Exploration of new careers and training opportunities, job matching with available jobs that are right for you
- Digital Skills for Life beginner tech training for adults
- The SAFER Station program offering addiction services, free of charge: walk-in screening and transportation to addiction treatment, basic wound care, Narcan and Fentanyl test strips, and more.

Different programs are offered at different branches so be sure to see the full listing of offerings using the link below.

Columbus Library Events, Classes, Resources Link - Click Here

Winter Resources for Columbus Residents

Essential Resources for Winter

Click the links below for helpful resource lists and tools:

- <u>Columbus Winter Warming Centers Interactive Map</u>
- Columbus Winter Warming Centers PDF
- <u>Clothing, Hygiene Items, and Home Goods Resource List</u>
- <u>Utility & Housing Payment Assistance Programs</u>
- Best Gas Prices in Columbus
- Free Home Weatherization for Income-Eligible Franklin County Residents
- Grief Support, Support Groups, Substance Use Help, and More
- Emergency Food Help
- Emergency Housing Help
- Helpful Hotlines
- Columbus Street Card
- How to Prepare Your Home for Winter Weather





SCHOOL INFORMATION

FAMILY ROADMAP FOR E.L.L.

Here is information about ELL supports, the importance and expectations of attendance and other support of children's academic progress. Click on the link below for more information.



Family Roadmap for E.L.L. Information - Click Here

PARENT PORTAL

Please contact your family ambassador, **Desma Bennett** at (614) 365-5510 or by email at <u>dbennett1@columbus.k12.oh.us</u>. IF YOU <u>HAVE NOT SET UP YOUR PARENT PORTAL.</u>



Please ensure that you update your student's emergency contact information through the <u>Parent</u> <u>Portal</u>. Each student should have at <u>LEAST TWO EMERGENCY CONTACTS</u>. These individuals do not need to be family members; they can be any trusted adult known by the family. We also ask that families identify those authorized to pick up their students (including older siblings) from school if a parent or guardian cannot

HOW TO LOG INTO PARENT PORTAL & ANNUAL UPDATE

- 1. Go to our website at <u>www.ccsoh.us</u> and click on the Students and Families Families tab.
- 2. Click on the **PARENT PORTAL** box at the bottom of the page.
- 3. Click on EXISTING PARENT, then CAMPUS PARENT
- 4. Log in using your USER NAME AND PASSWORD
- 5. Click on MENU on top left hand side of page
- 6. Scroll down to **MORE and** click on
- 7. Scroll down to ANNUAL UPDATE and Click on

HOW TO ACTIVATE THE PARENT PORTAL

Each parent/guardian has their own personalized Activation Code.

- 1. Go to our website at www.ccsoh.us and click on the Students and Families Families tab.
- 2. Click on the PARENT PORTAL box at the bottom of the page.
- 3. Click on the button that says **NEW USER ACTIVATION.**

4. Enter your **ACTIVATION CODE** (contact your school to obtain one if needed). We know it's long - that helps keep the data secure - so type carefully. Once the code has been activated, it can't be used again.

5. Follow the prompts to set up your username/password and to add a recovery email address.

FORGOT USERNAME/PASSWORD

6. Click on **EXISTING USER** in the Portal, then click **FORGOT USERNAME/PASSWORD**, and the information will be sent to the email used to set up the account. If you no longer have access to

the email you used when setting up the account, please send a picture ID and your student's name and date of birth to <u>parentportalaccess@columbus.k12.oh.us</u>.

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

Call the District FACTLine at 614-221-FACT (3228) or the Parent Portal Assistance Line at 380-997-7245.

If you need assistance, <u>OR HAVE NOT SET UP YOUR PARENT PORTAL</u>, please contact your family ambassador, **Desma Bennett** at (614) 365-5510 or by email at <u>dbennett1@columbus.k12.oh.us</u>.

Parent Portal Information - Click Here

WINTERSET EXPECTATIONS - 3R'S Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be Ready To Learn

CONTACTING WINTERSET



- Principal Audra Pearson apearson7872@columbus.k12.oh.us
- Winterset Attendance Email:
- <u>attendance.winterset@columbus.k12.oh.us</u>
- Winterset Attendance Phone Number: 1-380-997-7071
- Family Ambassador Desma Bennett <u>dbennett1@columbus.k12.oh.us</u>
- PTA Email: wintersetpta@gmail.com
- FACTline Email: <u>factline@columbus.k12.oh.us</u>
 FACTline Phone Number: 614-221-FACT (614-221-3228)
 Customer Relations Phone Number: (614) 365-8888
 Customer Relations Email: <u>customerrelations@columbus.k12.oh.us</u>