



NEWSLETTER



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SENIOR UPDATES

CONGRATS Class of 2025!!!! You did it! Next stop - your future! Keep up the great work, let me know if you have any questions, and if you need any assistance throughout the summer, please reach out to me!



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College Decisions!

- Bowling Green State University-Main Campus
- Brandeis University
- Capital University
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- Clark Atlanta University
- Columbus State Community College
- Denison University
- Fashion Institute of Technology
- Florida Memorial University
- Full Sail University
- Kent State University at Kent
- Macalester College
- McMaster University
- Oberlin College
- Ohio University-Main Campus
- Ohio Wesleyan University
- Otterbein University
- South Carolina State University
- The Ohio State University
- Tufts University
- University of California-Davis
- University of Cincinnati-Main Campus
- University of Dayton
- University of Michigan-Ann Arbor
- University of North Carolina

FAFSA's complete: 120+
 IKIC Grant (Eligible & Complete): 38
 Columbus Promise Apps (Complete): 29

IKIC Special Founder's Recipients:

Arianna Miller



Namere Wedderburn



Apps and Interactions

- 645+ 1:1 Student Interactions
- 475+ 1:1 Senior Interactions
- 650+ College Applications Submitted
- 2,715+ Total Interactions



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Throughout the school year, students had the opportunity to visit a wide variety of colleges and attend events designed to support college exploration and readiness. These experiences offered insights into campus life, academic programs, and the admissions process helping students clarify their goals and make informed decisions about their futures

01 College Trips

We explored five Ohio universities: Columbus State Community College, Ohio Wesleyan University (OWU), University of Cincinnati, University of Dayton, and Wright State University. Over 120 students were able to go on these visits!

Each school offered a unique campus culture, academic strengths, and learning environment, providing valuable insight into the variety of college experiences available. (see page 6 for pictures!)

02 WORKSHOPS

To provide ongoing FAFSA and college support, open office hours were held every Tuesday and Thursday from early December through end of January, totaling 21 open workshops for FSA ID setup, FAFSA assistance, college applications, scholarship applications, etc.

We also held a Columbus Foundation scholarship workshop, two Columbus Promise workshops, and an informational visit about the Central Ohio Leadership Academy (COLA) during the school day.

On Tuesday, December 12, CAHS hosted an after-school FAFSA Workshop to support students and families with completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The event provided one-on-one guidance, helped answer questions about financial aid, and assisted students in taking a major step toward college readiness.



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03 College Visits to CAHS

We had 26 college representative visits to CAHS including from: The University of Notre Dame, Yale University, Otterbein University, Columbus State Community College, Denison University, the University of Dayton, The Ohio State University, Ashland University, University of Cincinnati, Vanderbilt University, Boston University, Ohio Dominican University, and Capital University.

This year we tried a double lunch mod format and found it to be helpful to students and teachers - with most students not needing to miss any class to meet with a college representative! We will continue with this format next year.



04 The BIG Event for 2019-2025 Graduates!

Join us on June 12 from 10AM-4PM for a day designed for you and your future. Whether you're heading to college, starting your career, joining the military, or still figuring it all out, this is your space to explore what's next. With food trucks, giveaways, hands-on advising, and real conversations about your goals, The BIG Event isn't just another event, it's a launchpad for your future. Whatever path you're on, we're here to help you take the next step with confidence. Don't miss your chance to level up, have some fun, and launch into your future. Register by June 6th at the link in our bio.

<https://form.jotform.com/250914096138156>

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@ DISCOVER SHINE BRIGHT COMMUNITY CENTER
4590 E BROAD ST, COLUMBUS, OH 43213
6/12/25
10AM-4PM
THE BIG EVENT
BREAKING INTO GREATNESS
HS Graduates of 2019-2025
Columbus, Reynoldsburg, South-Western, & Whitehall City Schools
(Only students from these districts will be eligible for giveaways/raffles)
FOOD TRUCKS | GIVEAWAYS
WORKFORCE & COLLEGE ADVISING
INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS
NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES
SCAN ME
Register by 6/6

05 IKIC Ambassadors

IKIC Ambassadors were founded this semester!

Mission statement: The I Know I Can (IKIC) Ambassadors are dedicated to empowering and informing our peers at CAHS by promoting college and career readiness. We strive to inspire confidence and build a culture of achievement and aspiration within our school community.



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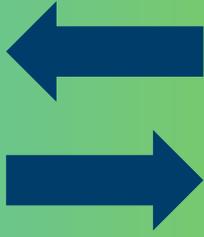


Senior Signing Day

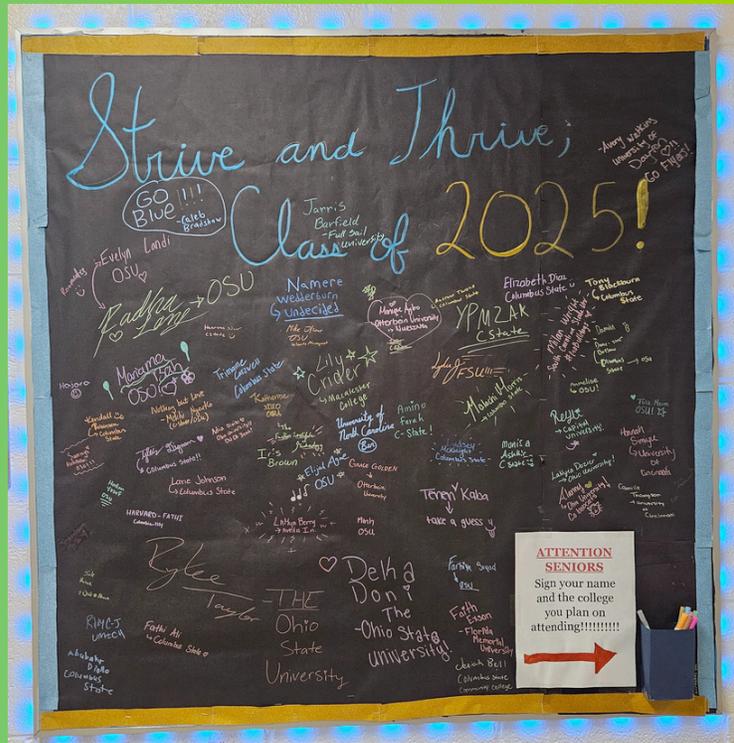




Every graduated with her associates degree on May 9th, before receiving her high school diploma!



Seniors signed their names and post-graduation plans!



The senior class and Ms. Lewis at the Signing Day Ceremony!



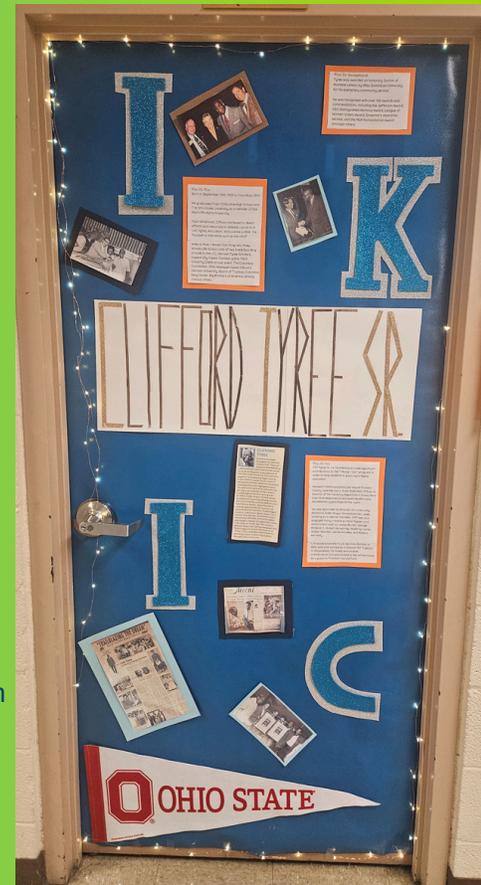
Senior Milan entered an IKIC raffle and received stickers!



Seniors Khadija and Selam entered an IKIC raffle and received stickers!



In celebration of Black History Month, the IKIC Ambassadors adorned the IKIC door and bulletin board with incredible information highlighting influential Black individuals connected to IKIC!



BE BOLD, BE READY



College visits to Wright State, Ohio Wesleyan University, and the University of Dayton

