



WELCOME TO HIGH SCHOOL

August 2022

(614) 365-5915

WELCOME BACK MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL



Welcome back Briggs Families and Students. I am honored to serve as your principal. The first day of school for students is Wednesday, August 24, 2022. Transportation is only provided if families opt in and are eligible for transportation. The deadline was August 5, 2022. We will host a family and staff meet and greet on Wednesday, August 17, 2022 from 6pm-7:30pm. 9th grade students and families will have an orientation meeting at 6:30pm.

My main objectives this year are to continue to provide a safe learning environment and strengthen the existing academic and SEL structures, including our Bruin STRONG PBIS program and student leadership program. Briggs will be one of the high school's piloting Student Led Restorative Practices this year. My other main objectives are to increase our graduation rate, academic performance on all state assessments, and student participation in our CCP(College Career Credit Plus) and AP courses, and student extracurricular activities.

If you have any questions throughout the year please communicate with your child's administrator, counselors, and teachers.

Additionally, check the school website www.ccsok.us/briggshs for ongoing updates and resources to stay up to date on important information, including staff email, weekly newsletter, sign up for our Remind App [Click Here](#) and much more!

Pamela Smith
Principal
Briggs High School

We are Bruin STRONG (Supportive, Trustworthy, Respectful, Open Minded, Growth Minded)

Briggs High School Mission Statement

The Briggs High School community will provide the opportunity for all students to reach their potential as well adjusted, productive members of a global society. We commit to supporting the development of each student as a whole person, including his/her academic, emotional, physical, social and character strengths in order to create a strong sense of community

Upcoming Dates

- 8/12 Summer Graduation @ East HS 9am
- 8/17 Family/Staff Meet and Greet @ Briggs 6-7:30pm
- 8/24 First Day of School
- 8/27 First Home Football Game vs. Whetstone
- 9/6 Labor Day – All CCS Schools Closed
- 9/23 Homecoming Football Game
- 9/24 Homecoming Dance
- TBA Open House mid-Sept

BELL SCHEDULE

Student Chromebooks and CCS Recommended Back to School Supplies

Every CCS student has been/will be assigned a district Chromebook. Students who attended a CCS school last year should have kept their assigned Chromebooks and will use them at their assigned school during the 22-23 school year. Students new to the district or who, for some reason, were not assigned a Chromebook last year (as indicated in Infinite Campus) will receive one during the first week of school at Briggs. We will provide Briggs backpacks for our 9th graders and student new to the district/Briggs this year. All other students should return to Briggs using their Briggs backpack to keep their Chromebook safe and undamaged. Other recommended supplies include:

- Translation dictionary (for ELL students)
- #2 pencils
- Scientific calculator (for advanced math classes)
- Pocket folders and 3 ring binders for classes
- Notebook paper and/or spiral notebooks
- Highlighters
- Pens

BRIGGS HIGH SCHOOL	
DAILY BELL SCHEDULE	
First Bell & Warning Bell	7:18 & 7:25
1	7:30-8:19
2	8:23-9:12
3	9:16-10:05
4	10:09-10:58
LUNCH	9th grade focus 10:09-10:32 12th grade focus 10:32-10:58
5	11:02-11:51
6	11:55-12:44
LUNCH	10th grade focus 11:55-12:17 11th grade focus 12:17-12:45
7	12:48-1:37
8	1:41-2:30

Transportation Bus Opt-In

Families of transportation eligible students entering or continuing high school next year — rising 9, 10, 11, and 12 grade students — MUST OPT-IN for transportation services.

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Briggs Sports

Visit Briggs Website - Athletic tab for more information

<https://www.ccssoh.us/domain/329>



WE ARE BRUIN S.T.R.O.N.G.!

To accomplish the Briggs Mission the staff and students will focus on being Bruin S.T.R.O.N.G. We believe that when these characteristics are demonstrated throughout the school it creates a positive learning environment for all and builds a strong sense of community.

S = Support One Another T = Trustworthy R = Respectful O = Open Minded N = Never Give Up G = Growth Focused

Guide to Student Success Handbook

The 2022-2023 electronic Student Guide to Success is now available. The publication contains important documents that must be filled out and returned to your student's school of attendance OR completed as part of the [Parent Portal Annual Update \(preferred method\) in Infinite Campus](#). The Annual Update can be accessed in the Parent Portal by first clicking on “More” and then “Annual Update.” If your scholar has a form on file and he or she is remaining at the same school for 2022-2023, a new form will not have to be submitted. If your scholar has changed schools or matriculated to a new school, a new form must be submitted. Separate forms must be on file for each individual student.

<https://www.ccssoh.us/Page/11009>

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to Student Success Handbook



Important Dates

Aug. 24 First Day of School

**Sept. 5 All Schools Closed -
Labor Day**

Oct. 14 PD Day No School

Oct. 25 End of Quarter 1

**Oct. 26 Records Day No
School**

Nov. 8 PD Day No School

Nov. 21 - 25 Autumn Break

Dec. 20 Early Dismissal

Dec. 21 - Jan. 3 Winter Break

Jan. 13 End of Quarter 2

Jan. 16-18 No School

Feb. 1 PD Day No School

Feb. 17 & 20 No School

Mar. 8 PD Day No School

Mar. 24 End of Quarter 3

**Mar. 29 Records Day No
School**

Apr. 6 Early Dismissal

Apr. 7 - 14 Spring Break

**May 29 Memorial Day No
School**

Jun 1 Last day of school

[https://www.ccsok.us/site/
Default.aspx?PageID=2704](https://www.ccsok.us/site/Default.aspx?PageID=2704)

SCHOOL DRESS CODE

We are charged with preparing students for college and careers. This dress code aligns with this goal in that it prepares students to understand the level of dress expected in these areas. Some highlighted areas of the full CCS dress code (found on the CCS website) are:

Students must be appropriately covered at all times =

No bare midriffs or shirts/dresses with straps thinner than 2 fingers in width.

No halter/tube tops or dresses.

No sleepwear or blankets / No Gang related apparel

No t-shirts with drug or sexualized images or statements are permitted.

Hoodies and hats are not to be worn inside the building.

Shorts and skirts should be long enough so that when the arm is completely extended the hem reaches past the student's fingertips.

No sagging pants, pants with chains or spikes on belts or spikes worn as jewelry, or ripped pants above the fingertips.

* Charity Newsies is a wonderful local organization that helps families with school clothing for children. Go to their website charitynewsies.org find more information on how they can help.

Attendance/ House Bill 410

It is important for your child to attend school every day. When your student misses a significant amount of school, even if the absences are excused, the child misses critical instruction time and learning opportunities. This often has long-term, negative effects on a child, such as lower achievement and a greater chance of not graduating on time. A new state law defines excessive absence and truancy: Excessive absence: a student misses 38 or more hours of school in a single month, or 65 or more hours in one school year, with or without a legitimate excuse. Truancy: a student is absent from school without legitimate excuse for 30 or more consecutive hours, 42 or more hours in one school month, or 72 or more hours in a school year.

Please report your child's absence: Call 614-365-5639 Or Email

attendance.briggs@columbus.k12.oh.us

Arrival/Dismissal Procedure

1. The front of the school is for school buses only after 7am and 2pm. This is for the safety of all students.
2. Students can be dropped off or picked up at the rear of the building – please be cautious and drive slowly around the school as both staff and students are crossing the drive.
3. Breakfast is served from 7:00-7:25 am and school begins promptly at 7:30.
4. If you need to pick your student up early for an appointment, please do your best to do so before 2:15 so that you will be able to exit – after this the buses will block the exit for the safety of students and so that the buses can exit promptly.
5. Students are released at 2:30 pm and are to exit the building unless they are here for an extra-curricular activity and supervised by a Briggs coach or staff member.

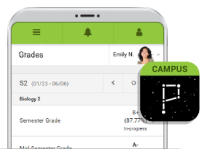
Parent Portal

Stay engaged in your child's education through the Parent Portal. Families are able to securely access valuable student information:

- Update Contact Information and address
- Teacher Contact
- Grades and Course Schedules
- Daily Attendance
- Paperless Applications for: School Choice, Summer School, and Career Tech
- Missed Assignments for Middle and High schoolers
- Pay Fees

Families needing assistance logging into Parent Portal can contact Jessica Householder at parentportalaccess@columbus.k12.oh.us

Scan to access online portal



To download Campus Parent mobile app, visit the App Store or Google Play and search Campus Parent

English Second Language Call Center

Free language assistance is available to Columbus City Schools families regarding school programs and activities.

Spanish: 614-365-5118
Arabic: 614-365-6920
French: 614-365-5327
Somali: 614-365-8972
Nepali: 614-365-3105
Kinyanwanda: 380-997-0891

Support Staff Directory

Principal ~ Mrs. Smith ~ pamsmith@columbus.k12.oh.us
Assistant Principal ~ Dr. Higgins ~ thiggins8366@columbus.k12.oh.us
Assistant Principal ~ Mr. Kuijper ~ jkuijper@columbus.k12.oh.us
Assistant Principal ~ Mrs. Patterson ~ spatterson1@columbus.k12.oh.us
Attendance Secretary ~ Ms. Ayers ~ cayers1@columbus.k12.oh.us
Student Attendance Specialist ~ Mr. Bangura ~ abangura@columbus.k12.oh.us
School Social Worker ~ Mrs. Peters ~ jpeters@columbus.k12.oh.us
Family Ambassador ~ Ms. Warbington ~ swarbington@columbus.k12.oh.us
Bilingual Family Ambassador ~ Ms. Abdiaziz ~ habdiaziz@columbus.k12.oh.us
Guidance Counselor (A-E) ~ Kendall Lawrence ~ klawrence1772@columbus.k12.oh.us
Guidance Counselor (F-L) ~ April Posey ~ aposey@columbus.k12.oh.us
Guidance Counselor (M-R) ~ Sara Williams ~ swilliams12@columbus.k12.oh.us
Guidance Counselor (S-Z) ~ Daniel Emberger ~ demberger@columbus.k12.oh.us
Internship Coordinator ~ Hedia Diawara ~ hdiawara2730@columbus.k12.oh.us
Communities in Schools ~ Jocelyn Bateman (614) 321-7901 ~ jbateman@ciskids.org

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School Communication

Sign Up for the Briggs Remind App

Ms. Smith sends out quick messages to students and parents via the Remind App. It's a simple way to get quick updates from the school directly to your phone. Follow these steps to sign up:

- Step 1: Create a new text in whatever texting app you use.
- Step 2: Type the number **81010** where you would usually type a phone number.
- Step 3: In the body of the text put in the group code associated with your category below.
- Step 4: You will receive a text that asks you to click on the link to download (if you do not already have it)
- 12th grade Class of 2023 Students/Parents last names A-L @bchhaa
- 12th grade Class of 2023 Students/Parents last names M-Z @6af7648
- 11th grade Class of 2024 Students/Parents last names A-L @gkgbkf7
- 11th grade Class of 2024 Students/Parents last names M-Z @bgd4kg9
- 10th grade Class of 2025 Students/Parents last names A-L @9cec8ff
- 10th grade Class of 2025 Students/Parents last names M-Z @a9c764
- 9th grade Class of 2026 Students/Parents last names A-L @8ee9dg
- 9th grade Class of 2026 Students/Parents last names M-Z @e99a96

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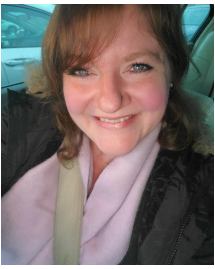
Mrs. Smith's Weekly Memo

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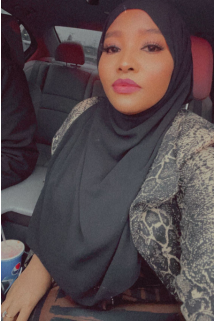
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Scan to access online Ms. Smith's Weekly Memo





Sheila Warbington



Habibo Abdiaziz

Meet your Family Ambassadors

WHAT DO FAMILY AMBASSADORS DO? HOW CAN THEY HELP YOU?


- Connect families to community-based services, school counselor and social worker.
- Advise families on volunteer opportunities.
- Maintain open communication with families regarding important academic events and information.
- Coach and mentor families to advocate on behalf of their child's education

WAYS YOU CAN GET INVOLVED AS A PARENT/ CAREGIVER

- Communicate with schoolteacher and/or staff about any curriculum and educational concerns.
- Make sure your contact information is up to date in our system.
- Attend monthly/weekly parent meetings and/ or workshops.
- Sign up for text remind to get information on additional community services, programs and events.
- Attend and participate in district wide events.

<https://www.smore.com/rhdku>

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THE POWER OF ONE

STUDENTS LEADING THE WAY

.Greatness doesn't just happen. It is created one step at a time. A skyscraper starts with one plan. A masterpiece starts with one simple brushstroke. And a student fully prepared to lead and serve begins with one community pulling together for the benefit of all. One teacher can inspire. One caring adult can support. One idea can change everything. And when we come together as one with students leading the way, we can accomplish the incredible.

WHOLE-CHILD FOCUSED

Columbus City Schools will design and implement curriculum with a holistic approach, so that students find their education more relevant, rewarding, and rigorous.

EQUITABLE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL

Columbus City Schools will ensure equitable outcomes for all students and employees, in order to create communities that promote excellence, personal and professional growth, and a culture of belonging.

STRONG LEARNING COMMUNITIES IN EVERY REGION

Columbus City Schools will strengthen a high quality, interdependent set of learning communities so that within and among these centers of growth are reliable sources of support, identity, and hope.

<https://www.ccssoh.us/powerofone>

AUTHENTIC ENGAGEMENT

Columbus City Schools will actively engage all stakeholders to ensure that every experience with the district engenders mutual trust, develops quality relationships, and strengthens collective support for the benefit of our students.

→ Learn more at ccsoh.us/PowerOfOne

Check and Connect Calls

I am writing to each of you because we at Briggs High School understand the negative impact that COVID-19 has placed on many of our families, which is why last year CCS began a new call initiative called Check and Connect.

Check and Connect is a way for us to hear what you are experiencing in real-time and provide you with up-to-date information about social, health, and government services. It is also a way to remind you of upcoming district and building events.


Please know that we are all in this together and we look forward to partnering with you this year.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns

Ms. Sheila Warbington
Briggs Family Ambassador
swarbington@columbus.k12.oh.us

or

Ms. Habibo Abdiaziz
Briggs Family Ambassador
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To inspire students to make college a part of their future by providing them with knowledge about the benefits of post-secondary education.

<https://iknowican.org/>

Work Permit Form



Forms are also available in the school office

<https://www.ccssoh.us/domain/1672>



**NATIONWIDE
CHILDREN'S**

When your child needs a hospital, everything matters.™

CARE CONNECTION

Health Care - Right at School

<https://www.nationwidechildrens.org/specialties/school-based-health-services-care-connection>



For Internship Opportunities

Please see Mrs. Diawara's Career & Community Resource Coordinator Website

<https://sites.google.com/columnbus.k12.oh.us/whs20-diawara/home>



Community Resource Sites

[Click Here - Westside Community Resources](#)

[Click Here - SW Community Resources](#)

[Click Here - Franklin County Resource Guide](#)



Briggs HS Family Resource Corner



CONNECTING OUR CCS FAMILIES TO UPDATES & VALUABLE RESOURCES!

<https://www.smore.com/rhdku>

Tutoring Resources

<https://www.ccssoh.us/Page/7148>



Briggs HS APEX- After School Credit Recover

Check with your school counselor to sign up



**Mrs. Smith's
Weekly Memo**

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Text Remind

<https://www.ccssoh.us/domain/3631>



Briggs Website

<https://www.ccssoh.us/briggshs>



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