Grades 1-5 Back to School Infographic

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**First Day of School**

The first day of school for students in grades 1-5 is August 25, 2025.



**Official Start of the School Day**

Students can arrive at 8:30 a.m. each day for breakfast. ***Students should not arrive prior to the 8:30 a.m. start time, when students can enter the building for breakfast.***

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**Attendance**

Regular school attendance in elementary school improves the chances that your child will read on grade level. CCS students missing more than 8 days of school are less likely to meet requirements for the Third Grade Reading Guarantee (3GRG). **The instructional day begins at 9:00 a.m. each day**. Students are considered tardy if they arrive any time after 9:00 a.m. Parents can log in to Infinite Campus to view their child’s attendance. If a child must be absent from school, parents should contact the school before or after the absence(s). Notes can be handwritten or emailed to kwestbrook@columbus.k12.oh.us ***Please review the Columbus City Schools attendance polices on the website under the Students & Families tab.***

**Official End of the School Day**

Dismissal will begin at 3:05 each day. We stagger the dismissal to ensure safety of staff and students. It is your responsibility to ensure your student is picked up on time each day. School staff are unavailable for student supervision after 3:30 p.m**. Changes to dismissal routes must be called in to the school office by 2:00 p.m. We will not entertain changes after 2:00 p.m.**

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**Breakfast/Lunch**

All students have the option of eating breakfast and lunch at school free of charge. Students are welcome to bring a packed lunch from home. Please refrain from sending sugary snacks and canned soda as part of the lunch. Students are not permitted to bring snacks that are not part of the packed lunch.



**Parent Portal**

Stay engaged in your child’s education by setting up and signing into the Columbus City Schools Parent Portal. You will use this portal to access all information regarding your child. The portal will be used for you to update emergency contact information, addresses, and phone numbers. If you need assistance setting up your Parent Portal account, **please call the assistance line at 380-997-7245**.



**School Bus Transportation**

Information regarding your child’s bus can be found in the parent portal. It is important to help your child memorize his/her bus information prior to the start of the year**. If you have questions regarding buses, please contact the Transportation Department at 614-365.5074.**

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**Student Enrollment**

All enrollment questions should be directed to the Central Enrollment Center. Central Enrollment is located at 430 Cleveland Avenue and their direct contact number is 614-365-4011.



**ESL Language Assistance**

Free language assistance is available to Columbus City Schools parents.

Spanish 614-365-5118

Somali 614-365-8972

Nepali 614-365-3105

French 614-365-5327

Arabic 614-365-6920

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**Easthaven is a uniform school.** As such, it is the expectation that students come to school each day properly dressed. The uniform consists of khaki or navy-blue bottoms, with white, navy or light blue polo-style shirts. We are an air-conditioned facility, students will need to have a sweater or sweatshirt to wear in the building. **Outside jackets and hoodies are not permitted to be worn during the school day.** Students must wear closed-toed shoes at all times. (Crocs are permitted)



**Back-to School Meet & Greet**

Our back-to school meet and greet will be held on Monday August 18, 2025 from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child’s teacher in a casual setting. This is not a time for individual conferences about a child’s academic/emotional/behavioral needs.