

WELCOME TO BRIGGS HIGH SCHOOL

WE ARE BRUIN STRONG!

2025-2026

(614) 365-5915

WELCOME MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL



Pam Smith, Principal Briggs HS

Bell Schedule

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

Student Handbook

[Click Here](#)

Welcome back Briggs Families and Students. I am honored to serve as your principal for another school year. The first day of school for students is Monday, August 25, 2025. I want every student to be present on the first day of school and thereafter. We will host a family and staff meet and greet for incoming 9th grade students and new students on Wednesday, August 13, 2025 from 6pm-7:30pm.

Our building priorities this year are Climate, Attendance, and Matriculation. We will continue to provide a safe learning environment and strengthen the existing academic and Social Emotional Learning structures which include our Bruin STRONG PBIS program, student Power of One leadership program, Student Led Restorative Practices. During the 2024-2025 school year Briggs High School Students continued to show growth in their OST scores. The number of students passing ELA 2, Biology, American History, and Government increased.. If you have any questions throughout the year please communicate with your child's administrator, counselors, and teachers.

Additionally, check the school website www.ccsbh.us/briggshs for ongoing updates and resources to stay up to date on important information, including staff emails, monthly Smores Family Engagement Newsletter and much more!

Pamela Smith
Principal
Briggs High School

**We are Bruin STRONG (Supportive, Trustworthy, Respectful, Open Minded,
Never Give Up, Growth Minded)**

Briggs Mission: To empower students to succeed and reach their goals.

Briggs Vision: Cultivating Learners and Leaders

Support Staff Directory

Principal ~ Mrs. Smith ~ pamsmith@columbus.k12.oh.us
Assistant Principal ~ Mrs. Shook (9th) ~ dshook4458@columbus.k12.oh.us
Assistant Principal ~ Dr. Ammar (10th) ~ aalsharafi@columbus.k12.oh.us
Assistant Principal ~ Dr. Higgins (11th) & (12th) thiggins@columbus.k12.oh.us
Briggs Secretary ~ Ms. Reavish ~ **614-365-5915** treavish@columbus.k12.oh.us
Briggs Secretary ~ Mrs. Frank ~ **614-365-5915** sfrank@columbus.k12.oh.us
Briggs Records Secretary ~ Mrs. Skaggs ~ **614-365-8336** sskaggs@columbus.k12.oh.us
Attendance Office ~ Ms. Carter ~ **614-365-5639** attendance.briggs@columbus.k12.oh.us
Student Attendance Specialist ~ Mr. Bangura ~ abangura@columbus.k12.oh.us
School Social Worker ~ Mrs. Peters ~ jpeters@columbus.k12.oh.us
School Social Worker ~ Ms. Fielding ~ afielding@columbus.k12.oh.us
Family Ambassador ~ Ms. Warbington ~ swarbington@columbus.k12.oh.us
School Counselor (9th) ~ Jessica Fix ~ jfix@columbus.k12.oh.us
School Counselor (10th) ~ Sara Williams ~ swilliams12@columbus.k12.oh.us
School Counselor (11th) ~ Daniel Emberger ~ demberger@columbus.k12.oh.us
School Counselor (12th) ~ Lydia Jones ~ ljones4@columbus.k12.oh.us
IKIC ~ College & Career Advising Manager ~ Natalie Cosgray ~ ncosgray@columbus.k12.oh.us
Internship Coordinator ~ Hedia Diawara ~ hdiawara2730@columbus.k12.oh.us
Columbus City School Factline - 614-221-3228
Parent Portal Support - parentportalaccess@columbus.k12.oh.us
Briggs Staff Directory - <https://www.ccsok.us/domain/3467>

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

Briggs HS 2025/26 Calendar

Note: Dates subject to change

[Click Here](#)

CCS District Calendar

[Click Here](#)

School Communication

Briggs HS Smore

Family Engagement Newsletter

Connecting CCS Families to CCS & Briggs Upcoming Dates, News,
Events and Valuable Resources!

[CLICK HERE!](#)

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

Important Parent Portal Information!

Parents/guardians **MUST** update your parent portal to receive the following:

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

- School communication (phone calls, attendance calls, phone dialers)
- School Bus Transportation/view bus route
- 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



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

Need assistance logging in or signing up for Parent Portal?

Contact Jessica Householder- parentportalaccess@columbus.k12.oh.us.

or Barb Reed - FACTLine - 614-221-3228

Parent Portal Instructions

For step by step Parent Portal & Campus Parent App instructions - [Click Here](#)

For Parent Portal Support - call CCS Factline at 614-221-3228 or email parentportalaccess@columbus.k12.oh.us (include guardian name, student's name, student's D.O.B and attach a copy of guardian photo ID)

Bus Transportation Information

Transportation eligible students - bus route details can be viewed in the Parent Portal.

<https://www.ccsok.us/transportation.aspx>

Recommended Back to School Supplies

- Folders
- Notebooks
- Notebook paper
- Graphing paper(geometry classes)
- Composition Book(science classes)
- Backpack
- Pens,
- Pencils
- Highlighters

Textbooks/Chromebooks

Fees will be assessed for lost or damaged textbooks and Chromebooks. All fees must be paid in order to participate in graduation (additional restrictions may be applied). See librarian for questions. If students are issued a Chromebooks they should bring them to school everyday.

Briggs Sports Information



Briggs Website Athletics Tab

[Click Here](#)

For the most current listing of Briggs athletic events

[Click Here](#)

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.

For More Information about House Bill 410 Requirements [CLICK HERE](#)

Please report your child's absence:

Call 614-365-5639 Or Email attendance.briggs@columbus.k12.oh.us

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.

Guide to Student Success Handbook

The 2025-26 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 this year, 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. [Click Here](#) To View on CCS Website

Arrival/Dismissal Procedure

1. All students must enter Briggs at the rear of the building as early as 7:00 am – please be cautious and drive slowly around the school as both staff and students are crossing the drive.
2. All students will be required to go through a **security check** to remove all metal objects from his/her person (e.g., belt buckles, jewelry, keys, coins, batteries, electronic devices, etc.) and to place the metal objects and any bags, backpacks, briefcases, knapsacks, purses, or parcels on a table. Please [Click Here](#) for details regarding metal detector procedure (<https://www.ccssoh.us/Page/11349>)
3. Breakfast is served from 7:00-7:25 am and school begins promptly at 7:30.
4. All students should be at school on time. If a student arrives after 10:00 am, a parent or guardian must sign student in at the attendance office (front doors) with a written excuse.
5. If you need to pick your student up early for an appointment, please do your best to do so before 2:00 p.m. 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. Please **do not call your student on their cell phones for early dismissal**. You must call the attendance office.
6. Students are released at 2:30 pm and are to exit the building no later than 2:45, unless they are here for an extra-curricular activity and supervised by a Briggs coach or staff member.



Sheila Warbington

Family Ambassador - Briggs HS
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Meet Your Family Ambassador

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 with school and in parent portal.
- Attend 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.

Briggs Updates & Resources Newsletter [Click Here](#)



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.ccsok.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

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 here to support our Briggs families 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

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**FAMILY
ENGAGEMENT**

RESOURCE HUB



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

[Click Here](#)

Work Permit Form

Forms are also available in the school office

[Click Here](#)



CARE CONNECTION
Health Care -
Right at School

When your child needs a hospital, everything matters.®

[Click Here](#)

Student Internship Opportunities

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

[Click Here](#)

Community Resource Sites

Westside Community Resources

[Click Here](#)

CCS Community Resource Directory

[Click Here](#)

Briggs HS APEX

After School Credit Recover

Check with your school counselor to sign up

Tutoring Resources

[Click Here](#)

Stay Connected - School Communication

Briggs HS
Website

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Briggs Newsletter
& Resources

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