

## **SENTINEL LIFE** WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

for the week of May 29, 2023

#### The CLASSICAL Mission

To develop the minds and nourish the hearts of our students through a content-rich curriculum in the classical liberal arts and sciences, with instruction in moral character and civic virtue

## **NEW & NOTABLE**

## Now Hiring for 2023-24!

Visit the Careers Page: LINK

Are you interested in joining the CLASSICAL team or know someone who is? As the school plans for expansion next year, we are currently conducting a search for an additional first-grade teacher.

#### Final Forms for 2023-2024

Contact: Mrs. O'Callaghan

Beginning May 31, 2023, you can begin completing your Student's Final Forms. Please refer to your account. Most of the forms remain the same as 2022-2023 school year, but we have added a few new ones; so, please be diligent when reviewing. Please note these three points.

- All information currently in FinalForms will rollover to the 2023-2024 year but please review each section in case there is missing information. All forms will need an updated electronic signature and date. All Forms will be RED until completed. Once completed the form will turn GREEN.
- We ask that you complete and sign the first form Contact Information by the end of the day, May 31, as well as uploading a current Proof of Residency. The remainder can be filled in throughout the summer with the deadline of Monday, July 17, 2023.
- Fall Sports (Girls Volleyball Grades 3-7 and Co-ed Cross Country Grades 5-7) will have open registration starting June 12. You can do this through Final Forms. A reminder, once you sign up for a sport, additional paperwork will be required in your Final Forms.

### **Summer Grade-level meetups**

Contact: Mrs. Hauck

Meetups will be happening again for each grade this summer. These meetups are a great chance to meet other current and new CLASSICAL families, for children to meet friends in their grade, and to begin forming connections over the summer. Meetups are a continued effort to build community at CLASSICAL and include a variety of activities including, but not limited to: spending time on the school playground, meeting at parks, splash parks, or family picnics. You will soon be hearing from your child's grade level coordinator(s) with meetup plans and dates. We encourage you to take advantage of these opportunities to connect with others before the school year begins.

### Did You Know...?

#### LINK

In our first year at Cincinnati Classical Academy:

- Students joyfully memorized and recited over 100 poems and historical texts
- Students delved into algebraic concepts using Singapore Math
- 30% of our sixth graders placed in the regional science fair; 31% of those went to State
- Third grade students won the Queen City Chess Tournaments
- Sixth grader Kingston Loehrer placed second in Ohio in the Scripps National Spelling Bee
- Fifth grader Casey Moy placed first in the National Geography Bee for the state of Ohio
- Three girls volleyball teams won city championships
- Three fifth graders swept first, second, and third place in a national essay contest

These are just a few successes achieved with <u>much less funding</u> than traditional public school districts receive. We do more with less. As a public community school, Cincy Classical receives no additional funding beyond the base rate as traditional public schools do. We must cover capital and other program and indirect and program costs independently. Please consider helping us bridge the gap by <u>donating to the Classical Annual Fund</u>. Thank you!

# **New Families to Classical Academy**

Contact: Mrs. O'Callaghan | LINK

If you haven't done so already, please schedule a Registration Appointment with our Enrollment Manager to complete your new student's enrollment. To do so, please click on <u>Final Forms here</u> and create an account. Then add your student. In the first form titled New Student Registration Process, you'll see a link to schedule an appointment with Mrs. O'Callaghan.

### Medical Forms for 2023-24

Contact: Mrs. Di Nino | LINK

Please read Mrs. Di Nino's letter to parents regarding medical forms for the 2023-24 school year, <u>linked here.</u> All medical forms you will need to fill out will be required by August 29, 2023, and can be found in Final Forms.

### **Fourth Quarter Report Cards**

Contact: Mrs. Puglielli

Final student report cards will be mailed home on or around June 1. You can also expect to receive follow-up mailings and emails during the summer months regarding the 2023-24 academic year, fall sports sign-ups, and other relevant information. Please note that student homeroom assignments will be mailed home on or around August 1. Have a great summer!

## The 400-Hours Outdoors Challenge

Are you up for the challenge? Mr. Rose and School Nurse Mrs. Di Nino have challenged all of our students to spend 400 hours outdoors this summer—without any screens, in an effort to encourage mental and physical well-being. Mr. Rose asked students to think of their favorite outdoor activities and hobbies, and to tell him what they are when they see him in the morning. Your child will be coming home with a <u>letter about the challenge</u> as well as a <u>sheet to track their hours</u> throughout the 93 days of summer.

## Carpool 2023-24

Contact: Jenn Lewis | LINK

If you are interested in participating in carpool for the 2023-24 school year, please complete this <u>Google Form.</u> All carpooling families must indicate interest, even if you participated in carpool this past year. This form indicates your interest in carpooling for the 2023-24 school year at Cincinnati Classical Academy. Completing the form does not guarantee a carpool match but is a starting point to make connections with families who live or work near you who could help facilitate transportation to or from Cincy Classical. If you have questions, please contact <u>Jenn Lewis.</u> Bi-weekly updates will be sent starting mid-June through mid-September.

# **REMINDERS**

#### **Current Parents with New Students at CLASSICAL**

Contact: Mrs. O'Callaghan

Don't forget to upload your new student's Birth Certificate and a current Proof of Residency to their FinalForms account.

### **School Uniforms**

Contact: Mr. Johnson | LINK

Uniforms can be tried on in the school office from Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Please review the uniform policies on the website. Orders should be placed as soon as possible through Dennis Uniforms (Our school code is HCN). Questions about ordering should be directed to Anna Marie Brewer to <a href="mailto:amb@dennisuniform.com">amb@dennisuniform.com</a>. Regarding questions about the uniform policy (updated policy is on our website), please contact <a href="mailto:Mr. Isaac Johnson">Mr. Isaac Johnson</a>, new Dean of Student Life.

# **CLASSICAL Summer Reading**

Visit the Summer Reading Page: LINK

The summer reading list is now available online. In addition to the grade-level recommendations, CLASSICAL also presents a recommended reading list for parents as well as John Senior's <u>"The Thousand Good Books Incomplete Life-long Reading List"</u> for those students (and parents) who'd like to dig deeper into classic "good books" this summer.

## **School Tool Box School Supplies**

Contact: Mr. Brown | LINK

For the 2023-24 school year, CLASSICAL is partnering with School Tool Box to supply school supplies for those who are interested. Using the link above, parents can choose to purchase a box, specific to each grade, of supplies for next year that will be delivered straight to the school. The box will include everything that your student will need for the year. **This is an optional service.** You will still be able to access school supply lists and shop for them separately is you wish.

### **Parent Service Organization**

Contact: Mr. Alex Loehrer | LINK

Interested in the Classical PSO? Cincinnati Classical Academy's Parent Service Organization (PSO) is a nonprofit 501(c)3 corporation, organized exclusively to support the mission and activities of Cincinnati Classical Academy through volunteer, fundraising and other supportive activities. Details on PSO activities and opportunities are shared regularly through the school's weekly Sentinel Life. Parents and guardians of Cincinnati Classical students are also encouraged to follow our <u>PSO Facebook page</u>.

## **Visiting the School**

Please be reminded that visitors must check in with the front office and provide identification each time they visit the school. A visitor badge will be issued to the visitor and displayed conspicuously during the visit. In the interest of safety and security, parents should NOT enter the building during arrival drop-off time (7:30-8:15) unless they have a previously scheduled meeting. Parents may be buzzed in after 8:15 and report to the front office to drop off lunches or materials or to pick up homework for absent students. Parents also should absolutely NOT enter the building or approach the blue awning entrance or cafeteria entrance during dismissal (3:10-3:40). No teacher meetings will be scheduled during this timeframe. We ask you to please observe this school policy.

## **Changes of Address**

Contact: Mrs. O'Callaghan

Reminder: If you have moved, please update your address in FinalForms and email Mrs. O'Callaghan, our

Enrollment Manager, at jocallaghan@cincyclassical.org. Thank you!

### **Substitute Teachers**

Contact: Mrs. Puglielli

We continue to build our list of substitute teachers. If you have any interest in working with CLASSICAL students, we would love to hear from you. We can help you obtain the necessary substitute teacher license. It is an easy process. If interested, please contact Mrs. Puglielli.

## **Current Families Resources Page | LINK**

Did you know that the Cincy Classical website includes a one-stop info page for Current Families? <u>Here</u>, you will find our school events calendar, along with links to the transportation page, the spirit shop, school uniform information, summer reading recommendations, and a contact list so that you might know best whom to contact about various school-related issues.

## Follow us on Social Media!

Contact: Mrs. Swanson

Do you want to keep up with what's happening at CLASSICAL? Follow us on social media! Find us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u>. Be sure to tag us in any posts with your Sentinels!