

SENTINEL LIFE WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

For the week of Aug 28, 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

IMPORTANT DATES

- Aug. 29 First Day of School, Grades 1-7
- Aug. 31 Extracurriculars Evening 7:00 PM
- Sep. 04 Labor Day. No School.
- Sep. 05 Kindergarten First Day of School
- Sep. 06 Curriculum Night Grades K-4 7:00 PM
- Sep. 07 Curriculum Night Grades 5-7 7:00 PM
- Sep. 19 Singapore Math for Parents 7:00-8:30 PM
- Sep. 28 Veritatis Splendor: Patrick Whalen 7:00 PM

LUNCH MENU FOR AUGUST/SEPTEMBER:

Download from our School Lunch Information page



ARCHITECTURE OF THE WEEK

The U.S. Capitol Building Washington DC (1793-1826)

^{*} for sports practices and games please see the online events calendar

Uniform Provider Update

Contact: Mr. Johnson | LINK

We are pleased to announce that as of today, Shaheen's, our new uniform provider, is able to service CLASSICAL families for all essential uniform items (and more) in store at their Sharonville location, as well as on their online shop, which you can access directly at the <u>link</u> above: If you are still in need of an essential "summer" uniform item for the first day of school and have not notified Mr. Johnson, Dean of Student Life, please do so promptly by the morning of Monday, August 28. For parents of female students in grades 5-7, please be aware that Shaheen's will not have the Hamilton plaid skirt in stock until the end of November.

Afternoon Pick-Up Procedures

Contact: Mr. Johnson

As we approach the upcoming school year, we'd like to clarify the carline pick-up routine, which will remain the same as last year. Upon your arrival by car, a staff member will welcome you and record your family name, along with the names of any individuals you are picking up. Following this, you will be directed to one of three designated pick-up lanes. To ensure a smooth and secure process, students will be called out in groups of approximately 15 cars each. We kindly request your cooperation in adhering to the directions provided by our traffic sentinels, as safety remains our top priority. In the week leading up to the start of school, we will provide you with more comprehensive instructions, offering a clear understanding of the carline procedures.

Volleyball Home Opener - Sunday!

Contact: Mrs. O'Callaghan

The girls fall volleyball season is kicking off with the first of many home games this coming weekend! Sunday, August 27, our two Seventh Grade teams will be playing at 5 PM and 6 PM at our home gym. We are hosting St. John XXIII and St. Susanna respectively. Please join us as we work hard to start the season with a WIN!

Volleyball Volunteers Needed

Contact: Mrs. Ann Schmidt | SIGNUP LINK

As we gear up for an exciting season of CLASSICAL volleyball, we're reaching out to our incredible parent community for some much-needed assistance. With a total of eight volleyball teams this year, we have a lot of spots to fill for concessions and ticket sales during home games. This is a fantastic opportunity to get involved, connect with fellow parents, and support our student-athletes. You can sign up here. Thank you!

BONA VERBA – The Significance of the Handshake

Read Mr. Rose's full article: LINK

At Cincinnati Classical Academy, a simple yet profound tradition unfolds each morning at the Blue Awning Entrance. As the headmaster, I find immense importance in personally welcoming our students with a firm handshake as they enter our school. This time-honored practice isn't just a mere formality; it's a tangible expression of our commitment to fostering a warm and welcoming environment for every one of our 602 students in grades K-7. But the practice doesn't end at the entrance. Our teachers also extend this gesture of connection and respect by shaking their students' hands as they enter their classrooms. Continue reading...

CLASSICAL Book Recommendation of the Week

Boys in the Boat by Daniel James Brown is the inspiring true story of the University of Washington's rowing team and their quest for Olympic gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics. Brown offers a fascinating glimpse into the lives of the rowers, their coach, and the larger backdrop of the times – depression era 1930's. The book captures the spirit of teamwork, determination, and the pursuit of excellence. The depiction of the 1936 Olympics, held in Nazi Germany, adds an extra layer of tension and significance to the story. Boys in the Boat is a testament to the power of unity, dedication, and the human spirit. It celebrates the triumph of underdogs and the beauty of a sport that demands both physical strength and mental fortitude. This uplifting read demonstrates that "Perseverance Pays Off!".

ACTION ITEMS

Seeking Sentinel Summer Photos

Contact: Communications Team

As we reflect on the vibrant and eventful summer our Sentinels have had, we'd like to invite you to contribute to our visual storytelling. If you've captured any fantastic candid shots from our summer meetups or your Sentinels participating in the 400 Hour Challenge, we would love to see them! Your photos could be featured on our social media platforms, in our yearbook, and across various publications. Sharing these moments visually helps us capture the spirit of our community and the unique experiences that our Sentinels have had. Please don't hesitate to send your photos to our Communications team at communications@cincyclassical.org throughout the year.

UPCOMING KEY DATES

August 29 - First Day of School

We eagerly anticipate the beginning of the 2023-24 school year and the return of our students. For grades 1-7, the first day of school is scheduled for Tuesday, August 29. We kindly request that students arrive at school between 7:30 and 8:10 AM each morning. To facilitate a smooth start to the day, we have designated the Blue Awning Entrance as the drop-off point, which is the same as last year. This area operates with a single-line drop-off system, ensuring efficient traffic flow. Please note that the traffic runs in a counter-clockwise one-way direction around the school building. For students who arrive prior to 7:50 AM, they will be directed to the Cincinnatus Refectory. At 7:50 AM, they will be released to their respective classrooms. School starts promptly at 8:15 AM each day.

August 31 – Extra-Curriculars Evening – August 31

Contact: Mr. Johnson | LINK

Join us for our upcoming Extracurriculars Evening on Thursday, August 31. This event offers an invaluable opportunity for students and parents to engage with our club moderators, music directors, and athletic coordinators. As you explore various options, you'll have the chance to ask questions, gauge your child's interests, and discover the array of enriching activities available. In addition, our musical instrument rental company will be present to showcase band and orchestra instruments, allowing students to explore new or ongoing musical pursuits. Mark your calendar for this informative evening beginning at 7:00 PM in the gymnasium.

September 28 – The Role of the Body in Education

Contact: Ms. Heipel | Tickets

We are excited to introduce the next speaker in our Veritatis Splendor series: Mr. Patrick Whalen. Join us for an enlightening talk on "The Role of the Body in Education." Explore how technology has reshaped our connection with nature and its impact on learning and about restoring the body's importance in education. The event will take place on Thursday, September 28 at 7:00 PM in the Sojourner Truth Auditorium. Don't miss this thought-provoking session! Please register online using the provided link above. We look forward to seeing you there.

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

Substitute Teachers

Contact: Mrs. Puglielli

Are you interested in making a positive impact on students' lives while embracing the CLASSICAL mission? We're excited to expand our team of exceptional substitute teachers. Whether you're an educator looking for flexible opportunities or know someone who might be, we invite you to join us in this meaningful endeavor. As a substitute teacher, you'll have the chance to engage with students and support their learning. If this resonates with you or someone you know, we encourage you to get in touch with Mrs. Puglielli, our Dean of Faculty, for more details.

2023-24 Family Handbook

Contact: Mr. Johnson | LINK

As we gear up for the upcoming academic year, we are pleased to announce that the 2023-24 Family Handbook for Students and Parents is now available for download from our website. The Family Handbook serves as a comprehensive guide that outlines essential policies, procedures, and expectations that contribute to a positive and successful learning environment for our students. It is a valuable resource for both parents and students to familiarize themselves with the school's guidelines and expectations to ensure a smooth transition into the new school year.

Taekwondo – Register Now for Fall Session

Contact: Master Kim | REGISTRATION LINK

Registration is now open for our fall session (Sept. 12-Nov 21) of Taekwondo. Our after-school program is run by Ahn Taekwondo Institute, offering all of the benefits of a program at the Institute with the convenience of being offered right in the CLASSICAL school gymnasium. Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM. Your child will learn a variety of skills and drills making training exciting and challenging but not overwhelming. Registration closes September 9.

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.

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.

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.

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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!