

#### **SENTINEL LIFE** WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

For the week of September 11, 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**

Sep. 19 – Singapore Math for Parents 7:00-8:30 PM

Sep. 21 - Basketball Parent Info Night 6:30 PM

Sep. 28 – Veritatis Splendor: Patrick Whalen 7:00-8:30 PM

Oct. 06 – LifeTouch Photo Retake Day

Oct. 12 - No School. Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:00-8:00 PM

Oct. 13 - No School. Parent-Teacher Conferences 8:00 AM-1:00 PM

Oct. 16-17 – Fall Break. No School

# **LUNCH MENU FOR SEPTEMBER:**

Download from our **School Lunch Information** page

REMINDER: Our food service provide, WG Grinders, only receives payments through its online accounting system and does not accept cash for lunch purchases.



## **ARCHITECTURE OF THE WEEK**

The Flavian Amphitheatre ("The Colosseum")
Rome, Italy (circa 80 AD)

<sup>\*</sup> for sports practices and games please see the online events calendar

## BONA VERBA - The Courage to Say 'No'

Read Mr. Rose's full article: LINK

One important role of CLASSICAL's school leadership is to ensure a quality education that aligns with the mission and core virtues of our school. This commitment forms the bedrock of every decision we make as dedicated educators. To preserve the integrity of our mission and make judicious use of our school's finite resources, it is incumbent upon us as school leaders to have the courage to say "no" when it is prudent to do so. While the word "no" may appear as a mere refusal or dismissal, it plays a pivotal role in safeguarding the integrity of our educational mission and upholding our commitment to excellence.... Continue reading

## **Club Sign-Ups and Info**

Contact: Mr. Johnson | LINK

Registration for our extracurricular clubs is open through Final Forms. These activities include Band, Orchestra, Chess Club, Gardening Club, Oratory Club, and Schola Cantorum, as well as multiple Art Guilds, Taekwondo, and the Sentinel Service Corps. To access comprehensive details about each of these offerings <u>click onto this link</u>. Then, to initiate the registration process, we kindly ask you to log into your Final Forms account.

# **Girls Basketball Registration**

Contact: Mr. Schildmeyer

Girls basketball registration is now open in Final Forms for grades 3-7 for the upcoming season. Please register by September 29. Parent information night will be on September 21 at 6:30 PM at the school. The season will begin on October 23 and end January 21, 2024. Proof of physical will be needed to participate prior to the first practice. For additional information, questions or coaching interest please contact Larry Schildmeyer at the link above.

# **Boys Basketball Registration**

Contact: Mr. Toy

Boys basketball registration is now open in Final Forms for grades 3-7 for the upcoming season. Please register by September 29. Parent information night will be on September 21 at 6:30 PM at the school. The season will begin on October 23 and end January 21, 2024. Proof of physical will be needed to participate prior to the first practice. For additional information, questions or coaching interest please contact Eric Toy at the link above.

#### **UPCOMING KEY DATES**

# Sep. 19 – Singapore Math for Parents 7:00-8:30 PM

Contact: Mrs. Puglielli | LINK

Learn why Singapore Math not only helps students become more successful problem solvers, but why it helps them gain a sense of confidence and resourcefulness because it insists on conceptual depth. This session, presented by Hillsdale College K-12's Ms. Carrie O'Brien, will also offer tips on how parents can best support their students at home with math. If you plan to attend, please RSVP Mrs. Puglielli. This will help us with planning for the event. The event will be held this Tuesday, from 7-8:30 PM in the Sojourner Truth Auditorium. Please enter through the Belltower entrance for this event.

### 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

### **Driving Along Siebenthaler Ave.**

Thank you again for your continued respect of our neighbors on Siebenthaler Avenue. Please remember that if traffic is ever backed up onto Siebenthaler, <u>be mindful not to block any of the neighbors' driveways</u>.

## **Important Info for Bus Riders**

If you registered for bus service, your student received a bus tag from the front office. However, if you happen to decide on alternative transportation on a given day or intend to discontinue with the bus service, please promptly notify your student's homeroom teacher and the front office in order to ensure there are no delays with dismissal for CLASSICAL bus riders.

## **Morning Drop-Off Procedures**

Please keep the following information in mind in order to maintain a smooth flow of traffic:

- Arrival Time: We kindly request that students arrive at school between 7:30 and 8:10 AM each morning.
- <u>Drop-off Point</u>: To streamline drop-off procedures and ensure efficient traffic flow, we have designated the Blue Awning Entrance as the single drop-off point. This area operates with a one-way, counter-clockwise traffic flow around the school building.
- <u>Early Arrivals</u>: For students who arrive prior to 7:50 AM, we will provide supervision in the Cincinnatus Refectory (cafeteria). At 7:50 AM, students will be directed to their respective classrooms. School begins promptly at 8:15 AM each day.
- IMPORTANT Note: We kindly request that parents refrain from approaching the Blue Awning with their children. To maintain a smooth and safe process, we ask that you follow the guidance of our Traffic Sentinels, Mr. Slonkosky and Mr. Bullock. They will assist in safely unloading your children, allowing the car line to keep moving efficiently.

We deeply appreciate your cooperation and understanding as we work together to make the first weeks of school as smooth and enjoyable as possible.

## **Afternoon Pick-Up Procedures**

Since we have many new families joining us next week, we want to ensure that our afternoon carline pick-up routine is clear and efficient. Here's a breakdown of the process:

- <u>Arrival and Greeting</u>: When you arrive by car, one of our friendly staff members will be there to welcome you. They will record your family name and the names of individuals you are picking up. Please be sure to have your Family Name Placard prominently displayed in your driver-side window.
- <u>Designated Pick-up Lanes</u>: After the initial greeting, you will be directed to one of our three designated pick-up lanes. These lanes are organized to streamline the process.
- <u>Student Release</u>: To maintain a smooth and secure procedure, students will be called out in groups, typically around 15 car-loads at a time.
- <u>Cooperation with Traffic Sentinels</u>: Our traffic sentinels will be present to guide you through the carline. We kindly ask for your cooperation in following their instructions, as they are there to prioritize the safety of everyone involved.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we work together to make the carline process as smooth as possible.

## **Spirit Wear Fridays**

Contact: Mr. Johnson

All Fridays throughout the year are designated as "Spirit Wear Days." On these days, students are permitted to wear spirit wear as tops. This includes CLASSICAL T-shirts, sweatshirts, hoodies, fleece pullovers, and quarter zips. Outerwear, including full-zip jackets, are not permitted to be worn <u>during</u> the course of the day. (Outerwear may be worn to and from school and on the playground.) Students must wear uniform bottoms on Spirit Wear Days.

## **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.

#### **Notification for Student Absences**

Contact: Attendance

A parent or legal guardian must contact our front office each day his or her child will be absent from school for illness or another reason. To notify the front office please either email <a href="mailto:attendance@cincyclassical.org">attendance@cincyclassical.org</a> or call (513) 554-0285 as early as possible the morning of the absence and at latest by 9:00 AM. Please include your child's full name and the reason for the absence.

### **Spirit Shop Online**

Contact: Mrs. Mosely | LINK

We are pleased to announce that the Sentinel Spirit Shop online now features many new offerings, including drinkware and other accessories, in addition to our traditional line of spirit wear. All T-shirts, sweatshirts, and quarter zips may be worn by students on all Friday Spirit Wear Days.

### **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.

## **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!

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!