



CINCINNATI CLASSICAL ACADEMY

FORMING HABITS OF MIND, HEART, AND SOUL

SENTINEL LIFE WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

For the week of September 4, 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. 04 – Labor Day. No School.

Sep. 05 – Kindergarten First Day of School

Sep. 06 – Curriculum Night Grades K-4 7:00-8:45 PM

Sep. 07 – Curriculum Night Grades 5-7 7:00-8:45 PM

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

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

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

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 Parthenon

Athens, Greece (447–438 BC)

BONA VERBA – The Start of a New School Year

Read Mr. Rose's full article: [LINK](#)

As I take a moment to reflect on our first week, I am filled with a sense of gratitude and excitement for the new year ahead. This first week of school has been nothing short of remarkable. Both students and teachers embraced the opportunity to return to our classrooms and reunite with friends, while adjusting to new schedules and routines. The enthusiasm of our students permeated our school halls, creating a joyful but well-ordered atmosphere that sets an inspiring tone for the year ahead. In our classrooms, we witnessed the power of engaged discussions, the beauty of eager participation, and the unmistakable presence of a genuine love for learning. These are all at the heart of our educational mission, and they were on... [Continue reading](#)

Have You Lost Your License Plate?

If your license plate number is Ohio HCF 1632, you can find your plate—and part of your vehicle—in the Lost and Found in the front office.

Driving Along Siebenthaler Ave.

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

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.

Sycamore Bus

The Sycamore bus experienced significant delays on the first two days of school. We have identified the primary issue and have implemented protocols to ensure that the bus arrives at the circle drive at 3:15 PM, with the Sycamore bus riders given first priority along with the walkers. Additional CLASSICAL staff will be directing traffic at the top of the hill on Siebenthaler and within the circle drive to allow the bus to proceed and park without impediment. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work to resolve this matter during the first week of school.

Morning Drop-Off Procedures

For those with kindergarten students, the first day of school falls on Tuesday, September 5. To help ensure a smooth and successful start to the year, please keep the following information in mind:

- **Arrival Time:** We kindly request that students arrive at school between 7:30 and 8:10 AM each morning.
- **Drop-off Point:** 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.
- **Early Arrivals:** 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.

- Assistance Provided: We want to assure you that we will have faculty and staff members available to accompany your kindergarteners to their respective classrooms, ensuring a warm and reassuring start to their school year.

We deeply appreciate your cooperation and understanding as we work together to make the first day of kindergarten 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:

- Arrival and Greeting: 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.
- Designated Pick-up Lanes: 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.
- Student Release: To maintain a smooth and secure procedure, students will be called out in groups, typically around 15 car-loads at a time.
- Cooperation with Traffic Sentinels: 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.

Uniform Shoes, Socks, and Shoelaces

Contact: Mr. Johnson

Please be reminded of our school policy: Shoes, socks, and shoelaces should be one of the following colors: white, black, blue, brown, or grey. Shoes must be closed-toed, closed-heeled athletic or dress shoes; we recommend wearing a comfortable shoe that can be worn in the classroom, in gym class, and outdoors at recess. The following footwear is not permitted: boots, sandals, moccasins, Crocs, and slippers.

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 during 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.

ACTION ITEMS

Club Sign-Ups in Final Forms

Contact: Mr. Johnson

On Thursday, we hosted our annual Extracurriculars Evening. During this event, club moderators had the opportunity to share valuable information about their respective clubs, including details about meeting times and schedules. Starting today, on September 1, registration for our extracurricular clubs is officially open through Final Forms. These activities include Band, Orchestra, Chess Club, Gardening Club, Oratory Club, as well as the three Art Guilds and the Sentinel Service Corps. To access comprehensive details about each of these offerings and initiate the

registration process, we kindly ask you to log into your Final Forms account. This platform serves as your gateway to explore the full array of opportunities available to our students.

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.

UPCOMING KEY DATES

Sep. 06 – Curriculum Night Grades K-4

Contact: [Mrs. Puglielli](#)

On Wednesday evening from 7:00-8:45 PM we will be holding a back-to-school curriculum night for students in grades K-4. We will begin the evening promptly at 7 PM in the Sojourner Truth Auditorium. This will be followed by three 15-minute sessions in your child's homeroom. We are offering three sessions in order to accommodate families with multiple children in grades K-4. Please enter through the Belltower entrance for this event.

Sep. 07 – Middle School Curriculum Night

Contact: [Mrs. Puglielli](#) | [LINK](#)

On Thursday evening from 7:00-8:45 PM we will be holding a Middle School Curriculum Night for students in grades 5-7. We will begin the evening promptly at 7 PM in the Sojourner Truth Auditorium. Parents will then proceed to their child's homeroom, where your child's schedule will be provided. The remaining part of the program involves following your child's schedule, moving from classroom to classroom. Please enter through the Belltower entrance for this event.

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

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 [link](#) 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 attendance@cincyclclassical.org 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? [Here](#), 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 [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), and [LinkedIn](#). Be sure to tag us in any posts with your Sentinels!