



CINCINNATI CLASSICAL ACADEMY

FORMING HABITS OF MIND, HEART, AND SOUL

SENTINEL LIFE WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

For the week of October 9, 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



ARCHITECTURE OF THE WEEK

Hagia Sophia, Istanbul, Turkey (537 AD)

IMPORTANT DATES THIS WEEK

- Oct. 09 – Band: Woodwind and Percussion 7:05-8:00 AM
Piano 3:45 PM
- Oct. 10 – Orchestra 7:05-8:00 AM
Band: Brass 7:05-8:00 AM
Taekwondo 3:30-4:30 PM
Art Guild: Public Art 3:45-4:45 PM
Sentinel Service Corps 3:45-4:45 PM
Violin 3:45 PM
- Oct. 11 – Band: Woodwind and Percussion 7:05-8:00 AM
Art Guild: Drawing 3:45-4:45 PM
Gardening Club 3:45-4:45 PM
Piano 3:45 PM
- Oct. 12 – No School. Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Oct. 13 – No School. Parent-Teacher Conferences

LUNCH MENU FOR OCTOBER:

Download from our [School Lunch Information](#) page

BONA VERBA – The Power of Civic Engagement

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

In a testament to the power of civic engagement, approximately 150 people gathered for a 3.5-hour meeting of the Miami Township Zoning Board last night. The sole topic of discussion was Cincinnati Classical Academy's request for a zoning change that would allow the school to repurpose a 200,000-square-foot office building, an ideal fit for our growing K-12 campus. It was a night that showcased the strength and determination of the CLASSICAL community. [Continue Reading...](#)

Now Hiring: Music Teacher – Grades 4-7

It is with mixed emotions that we share the news that Mrs. Mackris, one of our esteemed music teachers, has submitted her resignation, effective October 6, in order to tend to familial responsibilities. During her time here, Mrs. Mackris has made significant contributions to our CLASSICAL culture, including her lead roles in Talent Time, our Veterans Day assembly, our participation in the Memorial Day Parade, and musical theatre. Her dedication and hard work in the classroom have been especially appreciated, and she will be missed by both students and colleagues. In the interim, we are taking the necessary steps to ensure a smooth transition for her classes and responsibilities. During the month of October, Mrs. Vicky Reder will be stepping in as the interim music teacher to ensure our students continue to receive quality instruction. We are actively searching for a permanent replacement and will keep you updated on our progress.

Cafeteria Kitchen Help Needed

Contact: [Mr. Randy Duff](#)

WG Grinders, our food service provider, is looking for cafeteria help in our school. They are looking for someone for about 20 hours per week. Position entails cooking, prep work, lunch service and dishes. Please email Randy Duff at wggrinders@wggrindersdayton.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Oct. 12-13 – Parent-Teacher Conferences

Contact: [Mrs. Puglielli](#)

Fall Parent-Teacher conferences are scheduled for October 12, from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM, and October 13, from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Each conference slot is 15 minutes long. At least one parent or guardian must register for a conference with your child's homeroom teacher. You also have the option to sign up for a conference with your child's PE, music, or art teacher. Look out for a registration link from your child's homeroom teacher. Please keep in mind that there is no school on these two days, and Fall Break follows on October 16 and 17.

Oct. 26 – Veritatis Splendor: Andrew Zwernemann

Contact: [Ms. Heipel](#) | [REGISTER](#)

We are delighted to announce our next speaker in the Veritatis Splendor series. Mr. Andrew J. Zwerneman will be addressing the theme "The Confidence of Culture: Seeing What the West Frees us to See" on Thursday, October 26, 2023, at 7:00 PM in the Sojourner Truth Auditorium. Mr. Zwerneman, with over three decades of experience in the classical education movement, will explore the profound questions surrounding culture, memory, love, knowledge, and right judgment. As the co-founder and president of Cana Academy, he brings a wealth of knowledge and insight to this enlightening discussion. Don't miss this opportunity to engage with a distinguished speaker who holds degrees in history, politics, and theology. Register now for an evening of intellectual enrichment.

Oct. 31 – History Dress-Up Day

Contact: [Mr. Johnson](#)

On Tuesday, October 31, we are inviting all students to come dressed as one of their favorite historical characters. Students may come dressed as a particular person (e.g., Socrates, Albert Einstein, George Washington, Harriet

Tubman, Queen Elizabeth II, etc.) or a character representing a particular time period (e.g., a Roman centurion, a civil war soldier, a WWII Red Cross nurse, etc.). Some teachers may have suggestions for their students, based on what their grade level is studying in history this year. Please look out for mention of this in the weekly newsletter from your child's homeroom teacher. Students may not wear masks on their faces, and they may not carry weapons of any kind.

NEW & NOTABLE

Upcoming Weather & Uniforms

Contact: [Mr. Johnson](#) | [LINK](#)

Please note that students may wear the winter uniform any time of the school year, including this month as we see dropping temperatures. Until Nov. 1, wearing the summer uniform is still an option. However, on November 1 (the first day of the second quarter), the winter uniform will be mandatory until the first day of the fourth quarter.

April 8 – No School. Total Solar Eclipse

On Monday, April 8, 2024, people within a 124-mile-wide band in the state of Ohio will experience a total solar eclipse. That means that during the middle of the day, the sun will be totally eclipsed and the sky will go dark. The last total solar eclipse visible in Ohio was in 1806. And the next total solar eclipse in Ohio will be in the year 2099, when most of our students will be in their eighties. Because this is such a rare event, we have decided to that we will have a day off of school on April 8 so that students and families can travel to a place nearby where you can experience the total eclipse. If you live in West Chester or Liberty Township you won't have to go anywhere, because you'll be directly in the band of total darkness. Of course you'll hear plenty more about this in the coming months.

Afternoon Carline Congestion

Because such a back-up is being created on Siebenthaler and Hunt between 2:50 and 3:20 PM each day, parents whose schedules permit are encouraged to arrive on campus between 3:30 and 3:40 for student pick-up. Doing so will help alleviate the afternoon carline congestion. It will also allow those who pick up between 3:30 and 3:40 very short wait times. Please consider this. It would greatly help our traffic flow! Thank you.

The Postman Pledge (for a Low-Tech Household)

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

Sign the Postman Pledge by October 31 to join other CLASSICAL families in planting themselves firmly in the real world. The proposal is to agree as a family to forgo giving one's children smartphones or access to social media for one year, and to work together as participating families to cultivate moments of community and friendship in the real world (examples could include a night of singing, a hike, a cookout, a dance, going to a play together, etc.). ALL are invited to sign the Pledge, including those with small children who are not yet asking for smart phones as well as those with older children who already use these technologies. The overarching goal of the Pledge is to create a community of families who support a lower-tech environment in the home and our hope is to navigate these questions together. We hope to grow in community among CLASSICAL families and help each other to anchor firmly in the home all of the richness our children receive through their school experience.

Sentinel Football Interest Survey (2024)

Contact: [Mr. Bismeyer](#) | [SURVEY LINK](#)

We are exploring the possibility of introducing a 7th and 8th-grade Varsity Middle School Football Team next year (2024) and are seeking input to gauge interest from both potential players and coaches. If your 6th or 7th-grade student (next year in 7th or 8th grade) is interested in participating or if you have coaching expertise to contribute, please complete the [Sentinel Football Interest Survey](#) to help us assess the feasibility and enthusiasm for this initiative. Your feedback is crucial in determining the viability of this program. Please complete this survey by October 11.

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 when traffic is backed up onto Siebenthaler, be mindful not to block any of the neighbors' driveways. And please do not block the intersection with Carol or Dorian. The school continues to receive complaints from neighbors and the Reading Police Department about this issue.

Order Your School Photos

Contact: [Mrs. Hauck](#) | [LIFETOUCH LINK](#)

Don't forget to order this year's school pictures from Lifetouch. For a 10% discount on your order enter the following code: F202310OFF. Please use this link to redeem at Lifetouch: [MyLifetouch](#)

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@cincyclasical.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.

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@cincyclasical.org. Thank you!

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.

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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!