

# A WINDOW INTO WINTERSET

October - 2025

ENJOY THIS MUSICAL SELECTION ON 'AUTUMN LEAVES'  
AS YOU READ THIS MONTH'S NEWSLETTER

Autumn Leaves (2) [Jazz Piano]



## 枯葉 — Jazz Piano — Autumn Leaves

### IMPORTANT DATES

- Oct 6 - **STUDENT OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION**
- Oct 10 - **PANORAMA SURVEY ENDS**
- Oct 16 - **FALL PICTURE DAY \*\*\*\***
- Oct 17 - **NO SCHOOL** - Professional Development Day
- Oct 22 - **NO SCHOOL** - Records Day
- Oct 23 - **PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES** - 3:45-7:00pm \*\*\*\*
- Oct 31 - **VOCABULARY PARADE \*\*\*\***
- Nov 3 - **STUDENT OF THE MONTH RECOGNITION**
- Nov 4 - **NO SCHOOL** - Election Day & Professional Development

\*\*\*MORE INFO TO COME\*\*\*



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## DEPARTMENT NEWS AND EVENTS

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### HAPPY HISPANIC/LATINO HERITAGE MONTH



Happy Latino/Hispanic Heritage Month! Columbus is the proud home to over 70,000 people who identify as Hispanic or Latino. Many CCS schools are enriched by the inclusion of families, students, and staff that share the diverse experiences, cultures, and histories of Latino and Hispanic backgrounds. During this month, we will share local celebrations, businesses, and educational resources to celebrate community and heritage.

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### PANORAMA FAMILY SURVEY IS HERE

Your *Voice* Matters!



CCS 2025 FALL PANORAMA SURVEY 9/29-10/10



### English Survey Link

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### Spanish Survey Link

[https://out.smores.com/e/f3nx9/\\_7lpAV?\\_su\\_&nk=NjhhkZWExMDk2NTY2MDIkZDQ0MzU0MmQ5LGRiZW5uZXROmUBjb2x1bWJ1cy5rMTlub2gudXM6Oj0zb2FveG80YTY2a2h2ems0](https://out.smores.com/e/f3nx9/_7lpAV?_su_&nk=NjhhkZWExMDk2NTY2MDIkZDQ0MzU0MmQ5LGRiZW5uZXROmUBjb2x1bWJ1cy5rMTlub2gudXM6Oj0zb2FveG80YTY2a2h2ems0)

### Arabic Survey Link

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## STUDENT OF THE MONTH

The students this month were recognized for demonstrating **BEING RESPONSIBLE, BEING RESPECTFUL** and **BEING READY TO LEARN**.



Mrs Darst - Rm 14 - **Mohammed Jalloh**

Ms White - Rm 6 - **Mohammad Sabirzai**

Mrs Gresock - Rm 7 - **Ariv Vitvekar**

Mrs Kennedy - Rm 19 - **Malik Mohamed**

Mrs Concitis - Rm 18 - **Heidi Crawford**

Mr Dietry - Rm 17- **Cecilia (Cici) MacDonald**

Mrs Thalgott - Rm 16 - **Bailey Peck**

Ms Amos - Rm 8 - **Kawrynn Smith**

Mrs. Rammel - Rm 9 - **Aiden Foxhuber**

Mrs Eichman -- Rm 3 - **Maddie Holman**

Mr Abernathy - Rm 2 - **Alex Newcome**

Mr Ellis - Rm 11 - **Mohammad (Ozair) Hamidi**

Mr Mitchell - Rm 12 - **Evyenia Mamakas**

Mrs Armppriester - Rm 15 - **Britton Carey**

Mrs Bossa - Rm 10 - **Gehrig Myers**

## SPOTLIGHT ON OUR SUPPORT STAFF

Get to know your child's 'success team'.

Together they are able to provide the best possible education for your child



## ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

**Erin Davis** is our Administrative Assistant who wears many hats. She must handle various situations, all at the same time. She multitasks and does it **all with a smile**. She's a tremendous asset to our office.



## BUILDING SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

We are fortunate to have **Cassie Oates & Nathan Ellis** as our full time **building substitute teachers**. They are available to our students when our teachers are unable to be in the classroom.

## E.S.L (English As A Second Language)

After a long wait, we finally are able to offer **E.S.L. services** to our families in need. **Emily Homan** is the teacher & **Sarah Abou-Harga** is her instructional assistant.



## INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANTS

Our **Instructional Assistants** provide a vital aid to your child's achievements at Winterset. They assist in the classroom, at lunch and recess to ensure your child safely gets on and off the bus – just to name a few of their duties.

**Lisa Adenegan, Stanley Butler, Cammie Coe, Angela Kautenberger, Brad Koebel, Zion Lauderdale-Collins, Leila**

**Meherhera & Linda Miller** make up this team. Their one-on-one interaction is important to the success of each student they work with.

## RELATED SERVICE PROVIDERS

Many of our students have **related service providers**. Our **Speech Therapist** is **Candice Michel**. **Donna Harris** is our **Gifted and Talented Specialist**, **Leslie Steffes** is our **LLC/Reading Tutor**, **Jennifer Landsberg & Laura Hammer** are our **Intervention Specialists**. Our **Counselor** is **Barry Baker**, our **Psychologist** is **Sheena Koebel**, **O.T.** and **P.T.** is filled by **Stacy Went, Becky Berndt, Lynn Righetti**.



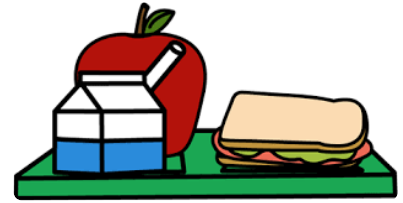


## LIBRARY

**Angela Thorne** has been adding, revising, updating many of the books and materials used in our library. Our goal is that every student has a productive, effective and beneficial experience in “**their school library**”.

## FOOD SERVICE

Our students are served a healthy breakfast and lunch under the supervision of **Nicole Patterson**. On a daily basis she ensures that the hot food is hot, the cold is cold and a fruit and/or veggie is on your child’s plate. She works to service over 200 children, 5 days a week, the needed nutrition to help them focus and grow.



## P.E.A.K.

**P.E.A.K.** (Positive Efforts for Adjustment and Knowledge) provides a space for regulation and reflection when a student isn’t able to work within the classroom. **Aanika Rahanni** guides students to **reflect, refocus** and then **rejoin** their class.

## NURSE

**Sarah Emery** is our **School Nurse**. She is available everyday to take care of the many medical needs of our students.



## LATCHKEY

**Latchkey** is led by **Jenny Hulett & Gloria Kellenberg**. They provide that “extra” before and after school care and instruction reinforcing what is done in the classroom

## CUSTODIAL SERVICES

On your next visit to school, make a point to **LOOK DOWN and AROUND** in the building. Our **head custodian, Mr. Adrian Cooley** and our **night custodian, Mr. Sherman Adams** work very, very hard to keep our building clean. From the classrooms, restrooms, cafeteria/gym, playground & office – the maintenance from “floor to ceiling and all in-between” provides a safe and sanitary environment. We encourage our students that they also have a responsibility to help keep “**their building**” clean.



## FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

**Desma Bennett** is our Family Ambassador. She serves as a liaison, providing families with access to vital academic resources.

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## P.E. With Coach Jones



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## ROOM 14'S GARDEN





**LOOK HOW MUCH IT'S  
GROWN IN JUST A FEW  
WEEKS**

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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Day Of The Dead Columbus Festival - Oct 18

Day of the Dead Columbus is hosted by the non-profit organization Latino Arts for Humanity. It is an educational, cultural, and family event to remember and celebrate our loved ones that are no longer with us.

#### DAY OF THE DEAD COLUMBUS FESTIVAL

**Saturday, October 18th, 2025**

**10:00 am - 6:00 pm**

#### Green Lawn Cemetery

At this event you'll find: Ofrendas (Offerings), calaveritas literarias, grave decorations, traditional food vendors, live music with local bands and musicians, educational activities for kids, local arts exhibition, arts and crafts vendors, Catrina contest, parade with Aztec dancers, folklores dances, and much more!

For more information visit the Day of the Dead Columbus Festival link below.



**[Day Of The Dead Columbus Information Link - Click Here](#)**

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## CAPA HAUNTS THE PALACE

Get a jumpstart to trick-or-treating by exploring the historic Palace Theatre. Kids of all ages can walk through a Halloween-themed version of the Palace Theatre and collect goodies in this safe, weather-proof alternative to trick-or-treating.

"Creatures" courtesy of Ohio School of Falconry and a character will be on hand from Castle on a Cloud Entertainment, as well as a Day of the Dead display.

In addition to trick-or-treating, guests can also grab a craft, take photos at selfie stations and more.

**NOTE:** This event includes stairs. Accessible path alternative available upon request.

No pets, other than service animals, please.

Don your favorite costume and see a spookier side of the theatre!

**When: Thurs Oct 23rd 4-7pm**

**Where: Palace Theater**

**34 W Broad St**

**Columbus, Oh 43215**

**CAPA HAUNTS INFORMATION LINK - CLICK HERE**

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## Hispanic Chamber of Columbus Career Fair - Oct 31

The Hispanic Chamber of Columbus Fall Career Fair is just around the corner, focusing on connecting diverse professionals with employers. This event will provide opportunities for career growth, networking, and professional development. It's the perfect chance to explore new career possibilities and expand your professional network.

**Friday, October 31, 2025** (10:00 AM - 2:00 PM)

**Columbus Bilingual West**

(680 Harrisburg Pike Columbus, 43223)

**Event Contact:** Annette Vasquez ([manager@hccolumbus.com](mailto:manager@hccolumbus.com))

Click the link below for more information

**Registration Link - Click Here**

**Career Fair Information Link - Click Here**

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## Columbus Commons Sunset Movie Series

Head to the Columbus Commons every Thursday in October for the Sunset Movie Series!

**Sunset Movie Series**



**FREE- No ticket required**

**Thursdays in October**

**7 pm**

Every Thursday in October, you can enjoy a free Halloween-themed outdoor movie at at this spin on the CAPA Summer Movie series. Bring a chair or a blanket to take in a movie under the stars. The food truck opens at 6pm to give you time to grab a drink and a bite to eat before showtime. Make sure to visit the non-profit partner tent for complimentary popcorn while supplies last. Enjoy the movie!

**Schedule:**

**10/9: Hocus Pocus**

**10/16: Goonies**

**10/23: Wicked**

**10/30: Nightmare Before Christmas**

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## **OSU Marching Band Pep Rallies - Free To Attend**

Did you know that you can attend a FREE Pep Rally at every OSU home football game?

Called a "Skull Session" this pep rally is a game day tradition that features the Ohio State Marching Band performing a final run-through of their pregame and halftime shows, celebrating Buckeye culture and traditions, and hosting special guests like athletes, coaches, and alumni.



**When: Every "home" OSU football game**

**Time: 2.5 hours before kick-off**

**Duration: 1 hour**

**Where: St. John's Arena (410 Woody Hayes Drive, Columbus, OH 43210)**

**Price: FREE to attend, no tickets required. Seating is first come, first served with doors opening 3 hours before kick-off.**

**Transportation and parking:**

- Parking on West Campus is \$25 per car, and a free shuttle to St. John's Arena is available.
- Shuttles run from six hours before kickoff until one hour after the game ends.
- COTA runs buses all day up and down High St. (number 2 bus.) Free street parking is available in neighborhoods on the bus line and bus fare is \$2.00 for adults and \$1.00 for children under 12 each ride.

If you have a child that loves a marching band, or you want to get in the football season spirit without going to a game, this is a great option.

**The Ohio State University "Skull Session" Information Link -  
Click Here**

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## SCHOOL INFORMATION

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### Family Tips, Tools, and Strategies



#### Monthly Character Education Traits & Family Connections

Each month we will highlight a character trait to focus on with your student. As these traits are modeled and practiced at home and in school, we provide our students with the tools that aids in their success in life.

The focus this month is:

**RESPECT: Treating others, self, and property with care.**

- Encourage children to practice respectful greetings and listening without interrupting

**RESPONSIBILITY: Being accountable for actions and completing tasks.**

- Give your child age-appropriate chores and praise their follow-through.

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### PARENT PORTAL

**ANNUAL UPDATE IN THE PORTAL IS WHERE YOU UPDATE OR CHANGE:**

-contact information, - home address, -emergency contacts, -phone numbers, -email addresses and make a request to change school enrollment.



#### **HOW TO LOG INTO PARENT PORTAL & ANNUAL UPDATE**

1. Go to our website at [www.ccssoh.us](http://www.ccssoh.us) and click on the **Students and Families Families** tab.
2. Click on the **PARENT PORTAL** box at the bottom of the page.
3. Click on **EXISTING PARENT**, then **CAMPUS PARENT**
4. Log in using your **USER NAME AND PASSWORD**
5. Click on **MENU** on top left hand side of page
6. Scroll down to **MORE** and click on
7. Scroll down to **ANNUAL UPDATE** and Click on

#### **HOW TO ACTIVATE THE PARENT PORTAL**

Each parent/guardian has their own **personalized Activation Code.**

1. Go to our website at [www.ccssoh.us](http://www.ccssoh.us) and click on the **Students and Families Families** tab.
2. Click on the **PARENT PORTAL box** at the bottom of the page.
3. Click on the button that says **NEW USER ACTIVATION.**
4. Enter your **ACTIVATION CODE** (contact your school to obtain one if needed). We know it's long - that helps keep the data secure - so type carefully. Once the code has been activated, it can't be used again.
5. Follow the prompts to set up your username/password and to add a recovery email address.

#### **FORGOT USERNAME/PASSWORD**

6. Click on **EXISTING USER** in the Portal, then click **FORGOT USERNAME/PASSWORD**, and the information will be sent to the email used to set up the account. If you no longer have access to the email you used when setting up the account, please send a picture ID and your student's name and date of birth to [parentportalaccess@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:parentportalaccess@columbus.k12.oh.us).

#### STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

Call the District FACTLine at 614-221-FACT (3228) or the Parent Portal Assistance Line at 380-997-7245.

If you need assistance, please contact your family ambassador, **Desma Bennett** at (614) 365-5510 or by email at [dbennett1@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:dbennett1@columbus.k12.oh.us).

**Parent Portal Information - Click Here**

## WINTERSET EXPECTATIONS - 3R'S

**Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be Ready To Learn**

### CONTACTING WINTERSET

#### Phone

☎ (614) 365-5510

#### E-Mail

✉ [wintersetes@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:wintersetes@columbus.k12.oh.us)

#### Address

📍 4776 Winterset Drive, Columbus, OH 43220, USA

#### Website

🌐 <https://www.ccsou.us/WintersetES>



- Principal - Audra Pearson - [apearson7872@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:apearson7872@columbus.k12.oh.us)
- Winterset Attendance Email:
  - [attendance.winterset@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:attendance.winterset@columbus.k12.oh.us)
- Winterset Attendance Phone Number: 1-380-997-7071
- Family Ambassador - Desma Bennett - [dbennett1@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:dbennett1@columbus.k12.oh.us)
- PTA Email: [wintersetpta@gmail.com](mailto:wintersetpta@gmail.com)
- FACTline Email: [factline@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:factline@columbus.k12.oh.us)  
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Customer Relations Email: [customerrelations@columbus.k12.oh.us](mailto:customerrelations@columbus.k12.oh.us)



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