



Principal Peddle's Pen

Upcoming Dates and Information for Devonshire Families

Week of January 20, 2025

Devonshire families -

Happy mid-January! I hope this message finds you well and staying warm. As we continue to engage with our students' learning, I want to remind you of a couple of important practices that can greatly benefit their progress.

Encouraging your child to read for 20 minutes each night can enhance their literacy skills and foster a love for reading. Check out this [list](#) of 100 must-read books from Scholastic.

Additionally, please remember the importance of keeping our school community healthy by having your child stay home when they are feeling sick.

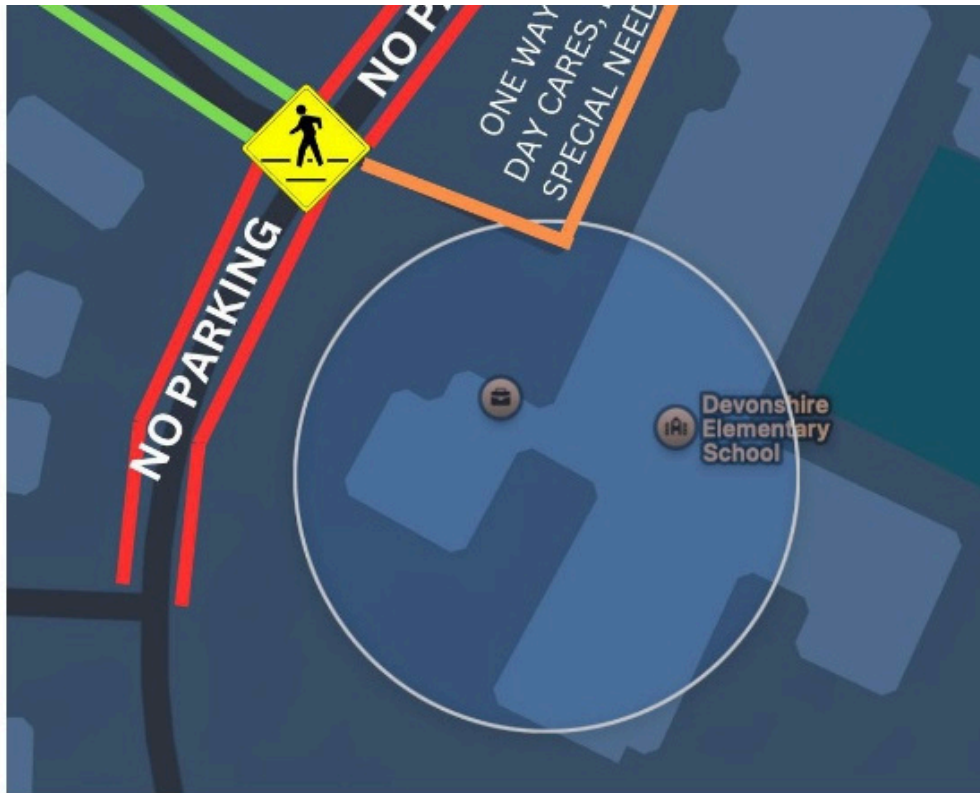
Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up! We will host PTCs on Thursday, January 23 and Tuesday, January 28 from 3:45-7:00pm. Additionally, we will hold an informational Third Grade Reading Guarantee family meeting on January 28, 2025, at 6 PM. Your participation is important, and we hope to see you there.

Our Students Need YOUR Help!

Safety at Devonshire

- **ALL visitors** must sign-in with the main office before entering the building. This includes families at drop off and District staff who are not normally assigned to Devonshire.
- During arrival and dismissal there is **NO parking on Ambleside Drive**.
- Only day-cares, buses, and students in Rooms 1, 2 and 3 may be dropped off in the parking lot.
- The speed limit on Ambleside Drive is 25 mph, and our parking lot's speed limit is 10 mph.
- No students should be dropped off prior to 8:30 am. There are not staff on duty to supervise.
- Dismissal is from 3:15 - 3:35 daily. Routine late pick-ups may result in intervention from our Attendance Team.





School Choice is coming soon - don't know about school choice or the lottery system? Check out [this information](#) from Mrs. Sferrella. Additionally, all students who's home school is **not** Devonshire received a letter recently - **if you wish to stay at Devonshire** (and we hope you do!) **you do not need to do anything**. If you wish to "return to your home school" you must request that in the Parent Portal.

As always, should you have any questions, or need any assistance, please reach out to my office. Wishing you all a warm and joyful January. We're excited for all the wonderful learning ahead!

Thank you for being such an **essential** part of the Devonshire family. Thank you for your continued support!

Reminder: No School Monday 1/20, Tuesday 1/21 & Wednesday 1/22.

Middle-Of-Year i-Ready Assessment Results Are Here

Be sure to ask your child's teacher about their results!

What is i-Ready? i-Ready is an online program for reading and/or mathematics that will help your student's teacher(s) determine your student's opportunities for growth, personalize their learning, and monitor progress throughout the school year. [Click here](#) for more information.

Explore i-Ready for Families [here](#).

Parent Teacher Conferences - 1/23 & 1/28

Winter parent teacher conferences are here! To schedule with your child's teacher, email them [here](#). Conferences are held 3:45 - 7 pm on Thursday, January 23, and 3:45 - 7 pm on Tuesday, January 28.

Third Grade 3GRG Family Meeting - 1/28 @ 6 pm

Event Information

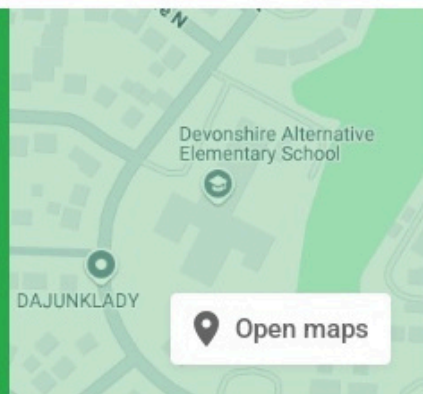
Third Grade 3GRG Family Meeting - 1/28 @ 6 pm

When?

Tuesday, Jan 28, 2025, 06:00 PM

Where?

Devonshire Alternative Elementary School, Ambleside Drive, Columbus, OH, USA



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First Name

Last Name

Email Address

Attend (RSVP)

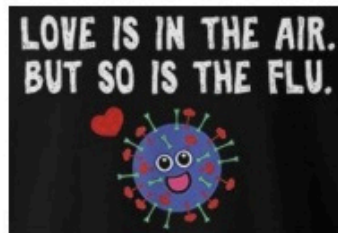
Don't Forget To Read for At Least 20 Minutes Everyday!

The Power Of Reading 20 Minutes A Day!





Health Reminders



1. **Dress for the Weather:** Ensure your child wears layers of clothing, including a warm coat, hat, gloves, and scarf. This helps regulate body temperature and protects against frostbite.
2. **Handwashing:** Remind your child to wash their hands frequently, especially before eating, after using the restroom, or after coughing or sneezing. This is one of the best ways to prevent the spread of germs and illnesses.
3. **Stay Hydrated:** Even in winter, it's important for children to drink plenty of water. Cold air can be dehydrating, so encourage your child to carry a water bottle to school.
4. **Rest and Nutrition:** Ensure your child gets enough sleep and eats balanced meals. Proper rest and nutrition boost the immune system, helping to fight off seasonal illnesses.
5. **Stay Home When Sick:** If your child shows signs of illness such as fever, cough, or fatigue, please keep them home to rest and recover. This helps prevent the spread of germs and ensures they heal faster.

Counselor's Corner

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Upcoming Events at Devonshire

January

20 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday - **No School**

21 - Professional Development Day - **No School**

22 - Records Day - **No School**

23 - Parent Teacher Conferences

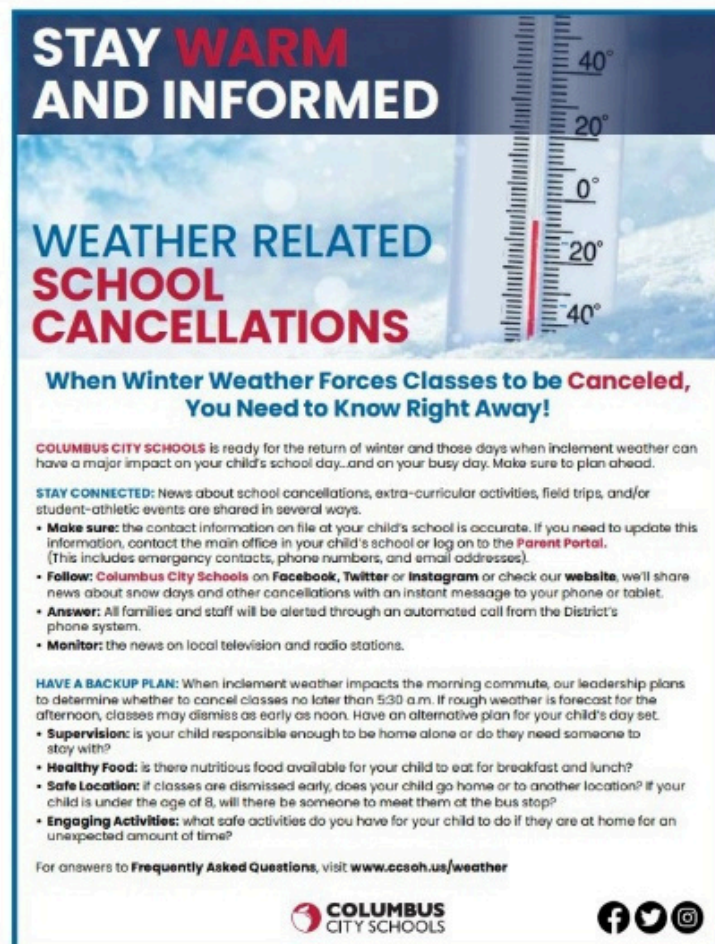
Information should be coming home. Need to schedule? Email your child's teacher [here](#).

28 - Parent Teacher Conferences

28 - 3rd Grade Reading Guarantee Meeting @ 6:00 pm

30 - Honor Roll Assembly; Invitations to follow

When Weather Takes A Turn, You Need To Know!



STAY WARM AND INFORMED

WEATHER RELATED SCHOOL CANCELLATIONS

When Winter Weather Forces Classes to be Canceled, You Need to Know Right Away!

COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS is ready for the return of winter and those days when inclement weather can have a major impact on your child's school day...and on your busy day. Make sure to plan ahead.

STAY CONNECTED: News about school cancellations, extra-curricular activities, field trips, and/or student-athletic events are shared in several ways.




- **Make sure:** the contact information on file at your child's school is accurate. If you need to update this information, contact the main office in your child's school or log on to the **Parent Portal**. (This includes emergency contacts, phone numbers, and email addresses).
- **Follow:** **Columbus City Schools** on **Facebook**, **Twitter** or **Instagram** or check our **website**, we'll share news about snow days and other cancellations with an instant message to your phone or tablet.
- **Answer:** All families and staff will be alerted through an automated call from the District's phone system.
- **Monitor:** the news on local television and radio stations.

HAVE A BACKUP PLAN: When inclement weather impacts the morning commute, our leadership plans to determine whether to cancel classes no later than 5:30 a.m. If rough weather is forecast for the afternoon, classes may dismiss as early as noon. Have an alternative plan for your child's day set.

- **Supervision:** Is your child responsible enough to be home alone or do they need someone to stay with?
- **Healthy Food:** Is there nutritious food available for your child to eat for breakfast and lunch?
- **Safe Location:** If classes are dismissed early, does your child go home or to another location? If your child is under the age of 8, will there be someone to meet them at the bus stop?
- **Engaging Activities:** What safe activities do you have for your child to do if they are at home for an unexpected amount of time?

For answers to **Frequently Asked Questions**, visit www.ccsch.us/weather

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Devonshire Student & Family Handbook

CCS Guide To Student Success

Parent Portal How To Guide

How To Contact Devonshire

DevonshireES@columbus.k12.oh.us | (614) 365-5335

Absence Excuses & Notifications

Attendance.Devonshire@columbus.k12.oh.us | (380) 997-0247

Click Here To Email Our Attendance Team



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