

Cologne Academy Director's News

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Calendar Dates

- August 31—Pre Conferences 8:00 a.m.—8:00 p.m.
- September 6—First Day of School!
- September 12 at 6:30 p.m. PAVE meeting
- September 16 @2:45 Grandparents Day
- September 16 @ 6:30 p.m. Family Fun Night
- September 22 at 7:00 p.m. Board Meeting
- September 27 at 6:30 p.m. Parent Open House
- September 28—Two Hour Late Start
- September 26-30 Spirit week (see inside for details)

Parent Open House, Sept. 27

Research shows that students learn more, have higher grades, and have better school attendance when parents are involved. The following activities are recent *and* upcoming examples of how to encourage success and support your child's education:

- Wednesday's Ice Cream Social. We served over 370 frozen treats.
- Saturday's Spruce Up the School Day. Thanks to all who set aside time on Saturday to spruce up the school!
- Conferences on 8/31. Parents have responded to the opportunity to meet their child's teacher and start the year off great by building partnerships between home and school.
- September 16th's Grandparent's Day and Family Fun Night
- September 27th is Parent Open House night. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet your child's classroom parents, learn about special programs and resources, get to know

the school board, teachers, PAVE, and much, much more. Please mark your calendar and attend our first "Parent Open House."



In upcoming Issues:

Learn about the 5th and the 8th grade's class trips, discover changes in our character assemblies and what our OSA will feature including the Triple A award. Find out how we are beginning to use Kindles in the classroom, band, and the 13,019 sq foot expansion underway!

Grandparent's Day

Grandparent's Day for all students in grades K-8 is Friday, September 16th at 2:45 p.m. Grandparents are invited to join us for fun activities, games and

refreshments. If visiting more than one child, grandparents are free to move from room to room at their leisure. If your child will be riding home

with a grandparent at end of day, please communicate in advance with the teacher.



Check us out on the web @ cologneacademy.org

Bussing

Cologne Academy staff will be riding the busses to and from school the first two days of school to ensure things go smoothly and alleviate any concerns on the part of students and/or parents. Please encourage your child(ren) to take the bus the first two days of school.

As a school, we are setting aside 20 minutes each day to familiarize students with their fellow bus mates to establish parameters in which all students can have a fun and safe ride to and from school. These assemblies will address rules, procedures, and expectations, as well as, team building activities so the students can get to know each other. We encourage families to reiterate these rules at home as well.



Our school day ends at 3:30 this year. Students will not be released from their classroom until 3:30.

Don't forget the can recycling trailer in the CA parking lot. Money raised will help offset the cost of the 5th grade class trip!

CA Logo Available at Lands End

You may now order uniform apparel from Lands End to include the CA logo.

Follow the directions below:

- Visit www.landsend.com
- Click the "school uniforms" tab
- Scroll down and click "Look up your school"
- Find school
- Select "shop using this number" (900139254)
- Close window and continue shopping
- Now simply select the shirt you'd like to buy
- Choose "logo preference" below the item
- Choose "school name with graphic"
- **FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY, THE COST IS .01 CENT PER LOGO!*** The regular cost is an additional \$5.50 per item if including logo.

Please note: you may order t-shirts to include the CA logo, however they are NOT uniform appropriate for school.

***Valid through 9:59 p.m. 09-06-11**

Spirit Week!

September 26-30 is spirit week at Cologne Academy.

Dress up days are as follows:

Monday: College Day/Class Shirt Day (students will receive their shirts by 9/22. Be sure to turn in your \$10 shirt fee)

Tuesday: Dress Your Best Day!

Wednesday: Athletic Shirt/Sweatshirt and Hat Day

Thursday: Pajama Day (school and weather appropriate pajamas only)

Friday: Jeans and CA Shirt/Sweatshirt Day

Bring Your Spirit to School!



PAVE Reminders

PAVE MEETING

Please consider joining PAVE for the first meeting of the school year on Monday, September 12th at 6:30 p.m. We will be discussing fundraising options for the fall, coordinator positions and gathering ideas and input to make this a great school year. If you signed up to coordinate an event or to help thru volunteering, you will be contacted shortly by PAVE. Your ideas and opinions count! We hope to see you there.

SWEATSHIRT ORDERS

All sweatshirt orders are due at the school by 4:00 p.m. on Friday, September 9th. If you need a form, please contact the school office. Payment is required at time of purchase. Expected delivery is the last week in September.

GRANDPARENT'S DAY

We will be welcoming all Grandparents to join the students in class on Friday, September 16th. Please watch your classroom communication for more details.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

The Kindergarten classes will be hosting the first Family Fun Night for this school year. The theme will be BINGO. Please join them on Friday, September 16th from 6:30 to 8:30 for a fun filled evening. Treats for all. Prizes for the winners!!

CARD MAKING & SCRAPBOOKING WEEKENDS

The Happy Scrappers of Cologne Academy meet the fourth weekend of each month at the school. Please consider joining the fun on Friday evening or all day Saturday. September dates are the 23rd and 24th. Food provided, door prizes given, consultants with make & takes both days and great conversation and laughs!! We would love to have you join us any time you can. Registration forms available thru the school office.

Lunch Helpers Needed

If you'd like to volunteer in the lunchroom, we are looking for 2 people on Mondays, 2 people on Tuesday and 1 person on Wednesdays. Please contact Jami Reinitz at 466-4017 or jreinitz@cologneacademy.org if you can help.

Thank you!!

Fall Photo Day is Friday, October 14. This is a non-uniform day. Students may wear clothing of their choice, as long as it is school appropriate.

Please note: this is a date change



Thank you to everyone who helped with Spruce Up Day at the school this past Saturday. Thanks to your efforts, we were able to complete many tasks both inside and outside the school!

The difference between try and triumph, is a little umph.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ferrin on the birth of their beautiful new daughter!



BUS RULES

All students who attend Cologne Academy are eligible to ride the bus, with the exception of those who live in the neighboring residential area. Those who reside within ISD #108 will be provided transportation to Cologne Academy by Positive Connections free of charge. Those residing outside ISD #108 may ride the bus for a fee. Fees are collected by Cologne Academy.

Transportation details and non- district bus fees can be found on the school website.

Cologne Academy transportation provider is Positive Connections. Questions can be directed to Positive Connections, 952 361-0899.

Rules: The school bus safety rules are posted on every bus:

The bus driver is the responsible authority on the bus.

Students will board and leave the buses only at specifically designated stops.

Students will remain at a safe distance from the bus when buses are arriving or departing from their stops.

Pick-up times are established, and students will be waiting 5 minutes before pick up time at designated stops.

Students will go directly to their seats. Students will stay seated when the bus is moving.

Backpacks, musical instruments, and other large items must be handled by students in such a way as to not come into contact with other students or obstruct the aisles.

For safety and cleanliness, gum, food, and drink are prohibited.

Only authorized students may ride the buses. Non-regular riders must secure written permission to ride a specific bus.

Drivers may assign seats to students when necessary. Students will remain seated at all times. Drivers and administrators may make specific seat assignments.

When crossing a road, whether boarding or leaving a bus, students will walk in front of the bus after the driver signals that it is safe to cross.

Students will not engage in noisy or boisterous conduct which might distract the driver.

Students will not use profane or indecent language.

Consequences: Consequences for school bus/bus stop misconduct will apply to all routes. Decisions regarding a student's ability to ride the bus in connection with co-curricular (for example, field trips) will be in the sole discretion of the school. Parents or guardians will be notified of any suspension of bus privileges. The school's disciplinary code will be consulted for all decisions regarding consequences. Depending on the nature of the offense, consequences such as suspension or expulsion from school also may result from school bus/bus stop misconduct.

Please consult the Family Handbook for more information