

# Cologne Academy

Your Future Starts Here

September 2016

Cologne Academy Families-

It has been a wonderful start to this school year! The 2016-2017 academic year currently brings us 607 students; 20% of our student body is new to the school which includes 78 entering kindergartners. This first week of school affords us with opportunities to start the year off great. Your students have learned a lot about school and classroom expectations for every part of their day and with each different teacher your student has. As a PBIS school, we front load our community norms and expectations so students (and adults) do not have to guess or find out the 'hard way' what the school's expectations are.

## 2016 Rewards School- Cologne Academy!

Local news coverage tends to stray from reporting good news about Cologne Academy because that may bring (negative) attention about student performance in other districts as compared to Cologne Academy. While my focus has been and will continue to be on individual student growth-taking a high-stakes test is a reality for many of our college-bound students. Under the premise of practice makes better, students are given assessments to show us what they know. Some students do well by state standards while others may struggle. However, our focus on each student's progress, whether they meet/exceed expectations or partially meet/do not meet expectations, will show growth year after year. This is testament of learning.

### Upcoming Events:

**September 2**

Early Release  
1:00 pm

**September 5**

Labor Day - No School

**September 13**

PAVE Meeting  
6:30 pm

**September 19 - 23**

Spirit Week

**September 27**

Parent's Night  
6:30

**September 28**

Lifetouch Photos

**September 30**

College T-shirt Day

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### 2016/2017 Calendar

Available on the CA website.  
Click [HERE](#)

It is with great pleasure I announce that CA has once again

performed

in the top 15% of schools in the state for their student growth, proficiency, and achievement gap reduction. CA's educators are the best, our students are our treasures, and we value our partnership with our families.

Congratulations to CA and Welcome Back to ALL!

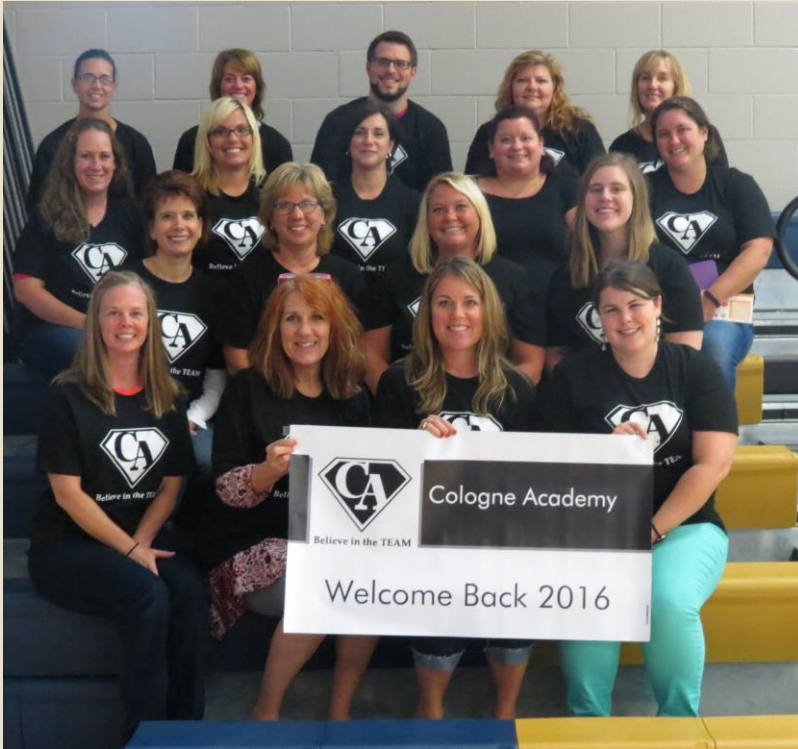
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### **Emails from Main Office**

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Seeing duplicate emails from the Main Office email? We have too many email addresses to send out all school emails to one distribution list so we have created two distribution lists, one for families with students in grades K-2, and the other for families with students in grades 3-8, this causes duplicate emails for those families that have students in both groups. We apologize for this inconvenience.

## Welcome to our new CA staff!



## Parent's Night - September 27

Special invite [HERE](#) for details.

If you have a **Kindergarten - 2nd** grade student please [click here](#) to consent to a study happening on campus that ties in with the parent night topic. If you have already consented, you do not have to do this again.

## Carline Procedures

Please remember to use the carline procedures we have in place. When everyone follows the procedure, carline only takes about 4 minutes after the buses depart. When cars pull out in front of other cars, it messes up the order of students and delays the process. Also, please do not get out of your car.

### Procedure:

If you are one of the first vehicles to arrive, carline starts waiting along the curb in CA's parking lot next to the recycling trailer. If you notice a black Mazda 3 or red truck pull in behind the buses, they were the winners of the "Front of Carline" pass for the year at Sips and Dips - they are not cutting the line.

We cannot idle on School Street (in front of community center) or South Village Market (the roadway that borders

the community center on the east and south) and of course we can never block the roundabouts.

We are asking all cars to enter the property via County Road 53 and turn onto School Street. If we form 2 lines on School Street we can accommodate close to 30 cars.

[Click here for map](#)

After all the buses are dismissed, the vehicles in the CA lot will move forward, then the cars on School Street will enter the CA lot. We will dismiss the north line first (right lane) and then the south lane (left side).

If you choose to idle on the roads that border the community center, you will be asked to move. For fastest pickup, it is best to arrive for carline at 3:40, entering on School Street via 53.

We hope this arrangement will allow access to the community center, allow buses better access out of this congested area, and also allow for the safe passage of emergency vehicles should a need arise.

Please pass this info on to friends or relatives that may be providing afternoon transportation for your child/ren.

**Thank you for your cooperation!**

## **PAVE**

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Join us for our next meeting: September 13 at 6:30  
You are a member of PAVE!

Please save your Box Tops, Milk Moola, Coke Rewards, Campbell's Labels for Education, and Coborn's Labels for Learning! You can send these to school any time with your child. Monies collected go directly to the school for programming.

We also collect aluminum cans for the 5th grade annual trip to Voyageur Environmental Camp and the 8th grade annual trip to Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center. Cans can be deposited any time in the can trailer in the N E corner of the school parking lot.

**Thank you for your continued support!**

## Schoolway App

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Don't forget to sign up for Schoolway notifications. This free app (Apple or Android) will send reminders directly to your phone.

SchoolWay's Web App allows you to stay up to date even without a smart phone.

<https://webapp.myschoolway.com/cologne>

## Running Club

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Grades 4-8

Running Club begins Tuesday, September 13.

Click [here](#) for flyer.

## Youth Enrichment

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Fall offerings include Flag Football, Junior Soccer, Chess, and Lego's. See flyer [here](#) for class details.

## Spirit Week - September 19-23

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Monday, September 19

PJ/ Comfy clothes day

Tuesday, September 20

Favorite Character day (movie, books, etc)

Wednesday, September 21

Crazy & Mismatched clothes day

Thursday, September 22

Wear your Favorite Color day

Friday, September 23

Cultural/Around the world day

(i.e. Costa Rica skirts, Norwegian clogs, Irish kilts)

\*Students must wear school appropriate attire which includes socks and shoes every day. No tank tops, spaghetti straps, or hats.

## From the Health Office

All **medication** sent to school for students must be in the original labeled container along with a completed and signed medication request form from the parent and their physician.

All **Action Plans** for asthma, allergies, and seizures must be updated every year at the beginning of the school year.

Need **immunizations**? Carver County Public Health is offering a Back to School Vaccination Clinic on Tuesday, September 6th for low cost immunizations for those without insurance coverage for vaccinations.

Click **HERE** to go to the website for information.

Thank you,  
Nurse Mary  
[nurse@cologneacademy.org](mailto:nurse@cologneacademy.org)

## **PE Shoes**

Please note that PE classes will be going outside often for class when weather permits. **Students need to wear outdoor tennis shoes when class is held outside.** The shoes designated for indoor use should NOT be used for outdoors so as to preserve the new gym floor. Any older athletic shoes or every day tennis shoes that students wear to school are perfect! (Students cannot wear fashion boots, Mary Jane's, sandals, slips-ons, etc. for PE class).

## **Lunch Servers**

Interested in serving lunch, but can't commit to a weekly schedule? Sign up to be a substitute lunch server. Contact Cathy Kerber at [ckerber@cologneacademy.org](mailto:ckerber@cologneacademy.org) if you are interested in becoming a lunch sub or would like more information.

## **CafePress**

Check out Cologne Academy apparel and accessories available for parents.

<http://www.cafepress.com/cologneacademy>

\*Apparel items sold on cafepress website are not approved for uniform wear by students.

## September Core Virtues: Respect & Responsibility

Please use [FRONTDESK@cologneacademy.org](mailto:FRONTDESK@cologneacademy.org) to report absences, tardies, early pick-ups, and current school day changes to end of day transportation for your child(ren). Please include student's full name, grade, and details of the information being emailed.

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