

Cologne Academy

Your Future Starts Here

November 2016

Cologne Academy Families-

What does a Core Knowledge education mean to you? Did you know that Cologne Academy teaches the [Core Knowledge Sequence](#) and that [Mrs. Mase](#) is the school's Core Knowledge Specialist who aligns our curriculum and pacing guides for all grades and content areas? At Cologne Academy, the [Core Knowledge Sequence](#) is embedded into the state's standards to create an enriched curriculum.

The idea behind Core Knowledge is simple and powerful: knowledge builds on knowledge.

The more you know, the more you are able to learn.

This insight, well-established by cognitive science, has profound implications for teaching and learning.

Nearly all of our most important goals for education-greater reading comprehension, the ability to think critically and solve problems, even higher test scores-are a function of the depth and breadth of our knowledge.

By outlining the precise content that every child should learn in language arts and literature, history and geography, mathematics, science, music, and the visual arts, the Core Knowledge curriculum represents a first-of-its kind effort to identify the foundational knowledge every child needs to reach these goals-and to teach it, grade-by-grade, year-by-year, in a coherent, age-appropriate sequence.

I encourage you to discover more about what your child is learning. E. D. Hirsch Jr just released another book, [Why Knowledge Matters](#)

The coreknowledge.org website is an awesome resource for further learning. I hope you are amazed and inspired by your child's school and the knowledge they are acquiring.

We sure are proud of our students and their families.

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Upcoming Events:

November 4

Early Release
1:00 pm

November 7

PAVE Meeting
6:30 pm

November 11

Picture Retakes

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Veteran's Day Program
2:30 pm

November 14-18

NJHS Food Drive

November 17

Give to the Max Day

November 22

College T-shirt Day
End of First Trimester
Grandparent's Day
OSA 1:15 pm
Book Fair

November 23-25

No School

November 28

Finance Meeting
6:45 pm
Board Meeting
7:00 pm

Save the Dates

Give to the Max Day



NOV. 17, 2016

Our goal is to raise \$20,000 in just one day and you can help us reach it!

Give to the Max Day is a day each November when Minnesotans are urged to give to organizations, like Cologne Academy, who are working to make MN a better place. Starting on November 1st, every gift made on GiveMN.org will be entered into hourly drawings for \$1,000 Golden Tickets awarded to a MN nonprofit or school on November 17th.

To schedule a donation or for more information about Give to the Max click [here](#)

There will be school incentives awarded at \$10,000, \$15,000, and \$20,000.

SchoolWay App

Is School Closed today? Is it College T-shirt Day?

Sign up for the [free](#) SchoolWay (Apple or Android) to get notifications/reminders sent directly to your phone. It is the quickest way to get school notifications and reminders.

No smart phone? SchoolWay's Web App allows you to stay up to date even without a smart phone.

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

During Josten's Back to School Sweepstakes, if you are a new subscriber and sign up before November 18th you will be automatically entered to win a Starbucks gift card and CA will be automatically entered to win a \$500 grant if we have 30 new subscribers.

Lifetouch Picture Retakes

Photo re-take day is Friday, November 11.

December 1
Kindergarten Concert
7:00 pm

December 6
Grades 1 & 2 Concert
7:00 pm

December 8
Grades 3 & 4 Concert
7:00 pm

December 13
Grades 5-8
Band/Choir Concert
7:00 pm

Upcoming Knowledge Bowl Meets

November 15
Lake Harriet Upper School
Minneapolis
4:00 pm

December 15
Skyview Middle School
Oakdale
4:00 pm

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2016/2017 Calendar

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

- If you are requesting re-takes, please return the original photograph package on November 11.
- If your child was absent on the original photo day, and you wish to order a picture package, please return the form provided to you or order online at mylifetouch.com using picture day ID MI296049Y1.

Students being photographed may arrive at school out of uniform, however they must bring a uniform with and change immediately after their picture is taken.

Goat Fundraiser

**Way to go Cologne Academy students, staff, and families!
We raised enough money to purchase
40 goats.**

Grandparent's Day

Grandparent's Day is Tuesday, November 22.

We encourage all students to invite grandparents to visit Cologne Academy on Grandparent's Day. They are welcome to join us for the OSA at 1:15 pm and then to visit the classroom(s) of their grandchild(ren) between 2:00 and 3:00 following the OSA for refreshments. The Bookfair will also be open for students to visit with their grandparents.

Please let your child's teacher know by November 21 if your child will be going home with their grandparent. We respectfully request that grandparents depart at 3:00 to make way for our buses and carline.

Clubhouse

Clubhouse will be open* on select non-school days.

Wednesday, November 23

*Registration closes November 14

Thursday, December 22

Tuesday, December 27-Thursday, December 29

*Registration closes December 12

Clubhouse will remain at school each day, cost is \$25 per day. Payments must be made in advance for non-school days. We cannot guarantee space after the registration deadline.

Please email Cathy Kerber atckerber@cologneacademy.org with questions or to sign up for Clubhouse during fall break.

*We reserve the right to cancel Clubhouse for a specific day(s) if enrollment does not reach 10 students. You will be notified the day after registration deadline if Clubhouse will not be open.

Lost and Found to be Donated

Lost and Found items that are not claimed will be donated this Friday, November 4th. Please remind your child(ren) to check for any missing items or stop in to check lost and found yourself.

Please label all items. We make every effort to reunite lost items with their owner.

Food Drive November 14-18

Cologne Academy National Junior Honor Society students have set a school goal of collecting 625 non-perishable food items to donate to local food shelves. NJHS would like to encourage every student to bring in at least one item during the food drive so that we can reach this goal and help out our local community!

Health Office

Please let the health office know when your child receives any immunizations during the school year so we can keep your child's immunization record current. You can either send a copy of your child's updated immunization record to school or ask their doctor's office to fax it to school. School fax number is 952.466.4030.

Current Health Office needs:
Dixie cups

Thank you!
Nurse Mary
nurse@cologneacademy.org

Informational Meetings

We are currently accepting applications for the 2017-2018 school year (you do not need to apply if you are already enrolled for

2016-2017). Please tell your friends and family how much you love CA and encourage them to come to an upcoming informational meeting or to call and schedule a tour.

Upcoming Informational Meetings:

Tuesday, January 17 at 6:30 pm

Monday, February 13 at 6:30 pm

PAVE

Trunk or Treat was a big success! Fun was had by all! Keep an eye out for information about our next Family Fun Night Event!

Cookie dough/fall fundraiser: Packets will be coming home this Friday, November 4th. Due date for orders is Monday, November 28th.

Sweatshirt Order: Keep your eyes open for an email mid-November for another opportunity to order CA sweatshirts. Items ordered will be delivered before Christmas.

Next Meeting

Monday, November 7 at 6:30 in the cafeteria. You are a member of PAVE! Please come and share your ideas so we can make this year another great year for everyone!

PAVE is seeking a secretary to record meeting minutes. Email PAVE if you are interested.

Contact PAVE at PAVE@cologneacademy.org.

Support Cologne Academy

Looking for easy ways to support CA?

Please send Box Tops for Education, Campbell's Soup Labels, Milk Moola caps, etc. to school any day with your child. We have a collection point outside the cafeteria or drop them off in the office or with a teacher.

Bring your aluminum cans for recycling! We have a collection trailer in the Northeast corner of the school parking lot.

AmazonSmile

AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know - same products, same prices, same service. Order from AmazonSmile and designate Cologne Academy as your charitable organization. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to CologneAcademy whenever you

shop on AmazonSmile. Click [here](#) to log in through our unique CA link.

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 if you are interested in becoming a lunch sub or would like more information.

From the Art Department

The Art Department of Cologne Academy would like to announce an exciting opportunity for all students and their families at CA. Students will be given the opportunity to order unique items from Square 1 Art that will have their very own personalized artwork on them! We will be starting some projects soon and finish all artwork by March. Students will receive an order catalog in March, but if you want to look ahead check out www.square1art.com to start thinking about what you might like to order. Orders will be shipped at the end of April 2017 in time for Mother's Day and Father's Day. Every item purchased will help raise money for the Art Department. Have fun scanning the website!

From the School Counselors

If you are interested in having your child be a part of the Family Change/Divorce Support Group or finding out more information, please email Nicole Pierce.

Your school counselors,
Nicole Pierce, npierce@cologneacademy.org
Anji Johnson, ajohnson@cologneacademy.org

Holy Family Catholic High School Open House

Holy Family Catholic High School wants to be your high school of choice. Learn more about Holy Family by attending their Fall Open House on Thursday, November 3, at 6:30 p.m. The evening begins with an activities fair followed by information on financial aid and grants, curriculum, and the college preparation process at Holy Family. Learn more [here](#)

Tutoring

Tutoring benefits students in many ways. It helps them to maintain their current skill level while increasing their confidence and therefore they become more successful in school. If you are interested in a positive one on one session to help build self-esteem please contact Lisa at atklehr@cologneacademy.org to arrange dates and times. Licenses acquired from UST include Birth-3, K-6 Elementary Education, Special Education K-12 (ABS) and 8 years of tutoring students in grades K-8.

November Core Virtue: **Generosity**

Please use 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.