

Cologne Academy

Your Future Starts Here

May 2017

Dear Cologne Academy Families,

Cologne Academy hopes the end of the school year finds everyone well and ready for summer break. As your family reflects on this past year, I want to thank you for belonging and contributing to our amazing community of learners and allowing us to be part of your child's educational journey.

Success can be rated in many ways. Perhaps success is a final report card, books read, content mastered, knowledge expanded, instruments played, milk cartons opened independently, and friendships made; the list is never ending. As you and your child reflect upon this school year, remember our fall informative session on growth mindset. The words we use have lasting impact on our children's belief of themselves.

Carol Dweck has some great insights on [Mindsets](#) (see link to her must-read book).

- Acknowledge your child for the improvements he/she has made or for the hard work he/she has been putting into learning. It is very important for students to understand that their level of effort in school directly affects their progress towards meeting academic standards.
- Praise their effort and hard work rather than saying things like, "you are so smart" or "school is so easy for you."
- Instead share comments like, "I can tell you have been working really hard in reading" or "I know you sometimes get frustrated in math class, but I am proud of you for not giving up and asking questions when you need help."
- Specific praise is most beneficial to children.
- Focus on their effort in class rather than their "grade." If your child is excelling, encourage him or her to continue to work hard.
- The skills of being a scholar and person of character are just as important (and sometimes more important) as academic content knowledge.
- Students who work well with others, contribute to their classroom community, produce quality work, and think critically about their own learning will be successful after high school- These are the traits that area high schools know our students come equipped.
- Every child has areas in need of improvement, it's just as important to celebrate his/her successes!

As always, your support and commitment in the school has a direct correlation to your child's success. We look forward to learning

Upcoming Events:

May 26
OSA 2:30

May 29
Memorial Day - No School

May 30
Field Day
Graduation 7:00 pm

May 31
All School Field Trips

June 1
Last Day of School

June 2
Start of Summer Break!

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2017/2018 Calendar

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better ways of serving our future leaders! Students succeed when home and school work together. I welcome your feedback as we continue to make CA a great place to learn and grow.

Wishing you a safe summer and YES, I am counting down the days until we start school again! Hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,
Lynn G. Peterson, Ed. S.
Executive Director
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CA Summer Camps - Registration Open

Check out the CA Summer Camp Offerings [here!](#) It's not too late to register!

Health Office

All medication must be picked up on the last day of school or an email sent to allow the child to bring it home. Anything left at school will be thrown out. At the beginning of each school year a new med form and medication should be brought back, along with any action plans (seizure, asthma, allergy). Reminder that incoming 7th grade students need updated immunization forms. (Meningococcal and Tdap)

Field Day

- K-2 Field Day is from 9:00-11:00
- 3-4 Field Day is from 1:00-2:30

PAVE

Sips and Dips - We made a profit of \$4,076.

Spring Fling - Although we had to cancel, we greatly appreciate all of the people that did volunteer to help.

2017-2018 School Supply Packs - Click [HERE](#)

Supply Packs ordered through PAVE will be delivered to your child's classroom before pre-conferences in August.

Last Call for Box Tops

Please send your Box Tops to school before summer break.

Lost and Found

The lost and found will be donated on June 2. Please stop in to look for lost items. There are MANY coats, sweaters, etc.

American Cancer Society Relay for Life

Our staff and students raised over \$2,300 for the Relay for Life! Thank you for participating!

2016-2017 Yearbook

It's not too late to order a yearbook, however you will be responsible for shipping charges to have your yearbook shipped to your home address.

Yearbooks are \$17.49. Place your order today at Treering.com by searching for Cologne Academy or by using the passcode: 1013230390864254.

If you have questions, please contact Deb Ries at dries@cologneacademy.org.

Middle School Events

5th graders service project on Friday - Making Sandwiches to serve MN homeless community. Every sandwich made will be directly given to an individual that night.

Nicole Pierce, MS-LSC

Summer Tutoring

Looking for an opportunity to continue your child's learning over the summer? Please contact Ms. Anna Gesinger to set up tutoring! Ms. Gesinger has a K-6 teaching license. She currently teaches fourth grade, however, has experience teaching kindergarten through sixth grade. Help prevent summer learning loss by signing your child up for tutoring.

Ms. Gesinger's contact information-
Email: agesinger@cologneacademy.org

May Core Virtue: **Diligence**

Please use frontdesk@cologneacademy.org to report absences, tardies, early pick-ups, and changes to end of day transportation for your child(ren).

Please include student's full name, grade, and details.