



# Canal Winchester

L O C A L S C H O O L S

## Back-to-School



Dear Families,

We hope you are enjoying your summer and your time with each other. Back to school is the "most wonderful time of the year." Each employee of this great school district is eager to welcome your children back for a year of rigorous and exciting learning adventures.

The beginning of school brings with it a new set of goals and expectations. We hope all of our students and our families will partner with us to make this the best school experience ever.

To help prepare, we have created this newsletter to provide you all the essential information you need for a smooth start.

We are looking forward to working together and serving our students and families. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns you have.

Kim Miller-Smith

### Board of Education

The Canal Winchester School District welcomes you to attend your Board of Education meetings. Meetings are held the third Monday of every month beginning at 7PM in Room 204 of the Education Center, 100 Washington St.

Feel free to contact any of our Board members with questions or concerns. All contact information is posted on the district website. Working together we can keep our schools strong.

### Student Supply Lists

Before school starts please check our website for student supply lists. [www.cwschools.org](http://www.cwschools.org)  
If you need assistance with school supplies, please contact Canal Winchester Human Services at 834-3888.

### NEW Student Registration

Welcome, to our new families and students. Our goal is to get our new students started in their classrooms quickly. However, to ensure this happens, we ask that you please call the district office and reserve your registration appointment today. Please call 920-2600 or 837-4533 during our regular business hours.

For your scheduled appointment, we ask that you bring all completed registration forms and required documents. Registration forms and information are located on our website or can be picked up in the district office. Missing documents and incomplete forms delay the registration process. Please feel free to call if you have questions prior to your appointment.

The 2011 Summer Registration Schedule is posted on the website. Students must be registered by Aug.18th to begin on the 1st day of school, including Kindergartners.



**First Day of School—Thursday, August 25th**

# 2011-2012 Back-to-School

## **NEW!** Student Discovery Meetings

Canal Winchester Schools are always looking for ways to further the educational success of our students. This coming school year families with students in grades 1-8 will be taking part in "Student Discovery Meetings." During these 15 minute meetings, families have the opportunity to share information about the student's interests, personality and educational experiences to get the year off to a good start. Our teachers know how important families are to successful education and look forward to this partnership between school and home. Don't miss out; make the time to be involved in your student's education.

- Students do not need to attend these meetings, babysitting will be available at all buildings, please check in at the main office for babysitting.
- Families of Winchester Trail and Indian Trail students need to sign-up during supply drop-off night.
- Families of middle school students need to sign-up at schedule pick-up.
- If you do not sign up during these times your teacher will contact you to set up a time. **Just 15 minutes to start the year off towards success!**



**Indian Trail:**  
Thurs. Sep 1<sup>st</sup> 4:30-7:30PM  
Thurs. Sep. 8<sup>th</sup> 4:30-7:30PM

**Winchester Trail:**  
Tues. Aug 30<sup>th</sup> 4:30-7:30PM  
Thurs. Sep 1<sup>st</sup> 4:30-7:30PM

**Middle School:**  
Mon. Aug 29<sup>th</sup> 4:30-7:30PM  
Wed. Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> 4:30-7:30PM



### Middle School and High School ONLY

- Students participating on athletic teams, marching band and cheerleading (per season) will pay **\$300** per student for each activity. There is no family maximum cap and no payment plan available.
- Student/Athlete physicals for high school and middle school athletes will be held **Tues. July 26th** starting at 6PM at the High School. Please check the Athletics & Activities section of the website for all necessary forms and a schedule of times based on sport.
- Any questions please email or call the Student Activities Department  
Phone: **833-2155** Email: [athletics@canalwin.k12.oh.us](mailto:athletics@canalwin.k12.oh.us)

## School Bus Safety & Information

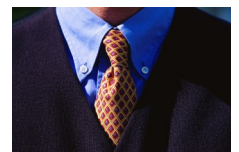
Our primary concern is the safety of every student riding our buses each day. We ask that families go over bus safety rules and bus behavior with their children. **Any misbehavior on the bus has the potential to cause a serious accident**, which is why we expect those who ride our school buses to sit in their seat quietly, and respectfully listen to the bus driver's instructions. If all children follow rules and procedures, there should be no problems and the bus ride to and from school will be a safe one. We thank you for your participation in keeping our children safe.



Bus transportation is provided by the district and should be regarded as a privilege. A student may lose transportation privileges for violating any part of the student code of conduct. Transportation to and from school will then become the family's responsibility. Please visit the Transportation Department on our website for detailed information about these guidelines.

## Dress Code

The Canal Winchester School District's current dress code reflects the idea that students should have a safe and distraction free learning environment. Our focus is on student learning and creating an atmosphere that allows students to concentrate on their work. Please refer to the student handbook for more detailed information about appropriate dress attire. Handbooks can be found for each building on the district website.



**A friendly reminder to motorists: When a bus is at a complete stop with red lights flashing you are not to pass the bus. Any violation could result in a fine up to \$500. Keep our kids safe!**

**Bus and classroom information will be mailed home after August 17th**



# Progress Book

One of the **easiest** ways to participate in your student's education is to access Progress Book! Progress Book is an online system which allows parents and students to view grades, homework assignments, attendance and important information 24/7. It truly is the most convenient way to keep up to date with your student's progress. Teachers post information on a **weekly** basis. To view your student's information you must have your parent account information (user name and password). To access your account information follow the easy steps below. Students in grades 6-12 are given separate user names and passwords from parents.



1. Go to [www.cwschools.org](http://www.cwschools.org)
2. Click on Progress Book (front page)
3. Follow instructions "Need Account Information?"

## Good Reasons for Using Progress Book

- Check for missing assignments (for those sometimes forgetful students).
- Follow progress so there are no surprises at report cards time.
- Easy to use 24/7 from the comfort of your pajamas!
- Your student can "see" all of their grades in one place, teaching responsibility and accountability.
- Essential organizational tool for middle school and high school students with multiple classes.

## Media Centers

Destiny is a new library management system, which provides access to the Canal Winchester School Libraries Online Catalog from home! It's time to do a project, does the school library have books on this topic? Go to [www.cwschools.org](http://www.cwschools.org) and simply click on **Students** at the top of the page then **Media Centers**.

Now parents, students, community members, teachers, etc. can access each library's collection. Grades K-5 visiting Destiny will be considered guests and can simply look at our catalog and perform searches. Students in grades 6-12 can log on to the system (using their school computer accounts). By logging in, students and staff can place items on hold (from any library in the district), look to see what they have checked out, when their items are due, read eBooks, write a book review, see the most checked out items or newest books in the library.

Students can also create lists of books read which can come in handy for class projects, when needing to find the book again or for creating a works cited list. Having the library at their fingertips enables our students to access and use information at their convenience and when they need it most. Students can search for items in a variety of ways so that it takes into account all learning styles. Searches are available visually and in English, French or Spanish.



**Email? Text?  
Sign up today to  
stay informed!**

Would you like an email or text to remind you of important school events? It's easy....

1. go to [www.cwschools.org](http://www.cwschools.org)
2. **CLICK** on *E-Communications*
3. Create an account
4. Be informed!

## Race to the Top

During the 2010-2011 school year, the Canal Winchester Local School District committed to joining, in collaboration with the Ohio Department of Education, a nationwide initiative to improve the educational experience and success of all our students. A district team of 32 administrators and teachers was formed to lead the charge in transforming Canal Winchester Schools. A portion of our district's website is being developed to keep you informed. If you are interested in learning more about Ohio's Race to the Top Plan, please visit [www.ode.state.oh.us](http://www.ode.state.oh.us) and click on the state icon shown here.



### State of Ohio Race to the Top Goals:

1. Graduate more students
2. Reduce graduation gaps between minority and non-minority students
3. Narrow academic performance gaps
4. Make Ohio one of the best performing states in reading and math.

### Race to the Top Areas of Work

1. Transparent communication
2. Academic standards and assessments
3. Using data to drive decisions
4. Effective teachers and leaders
5. Family and Civic engagement

Our district has received very positive feedback and required approval from the Ohio Department of Education on our work. Central Ohio's Regional Race to the Top Coordinator, Scott Spears, had this to say about our "Scope of Work."

***"...to have all other sections approved is a great accomplishment, one for which you are to be commended. Believe me; you are in the upper range of all school districts in doing so!"***

## Lunch Prices

Every Canal Winchester School student has a Café Pre-Pay account for making and tracking cafeteria purchases. Each student is given an individual number to use for the account, which stays the same year to year. Below are ways to use the account.

- Send cash or a check (made out to Canal Winchester Schools) with your student to add money to his/her lunch account. You can pay on a daily basis or send in enough to cover weeks at a time.
- Create an online account which allows you to add money to your student's account at any time. There is a \$2.50 convenience charge each time you add funds to your student's account online. (It is the same fee whether you add \$5.00 or \$500.)



Lunch menus and Café Pre-Pay are available on the front page of the website.

<b>Grades 1-5</b>	<b>\$2.15</b>
<b>Grades 6-8</b>	<b>\$2.50</b>
<b>Grades 9-12</b>	<b>\$2.75</b>
<b>Milk</b>	<b>\$0.50</b>
<b>Breakfast</b>	<b>\$1.30</b>

**Free or reduced lunch?** Under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) students may be eligible for free or reduced lunch and breakfast. To find out if your child is eligible, please complete a School Meals Family Application and return to the Canal Winchester Education Center. Applications may be picked up in the District Office or printed from our web site. Forms will also be sent home with all students the first day of school. **\*\*Remember that a new form must be completed each year.**

## Vaccinations

If your student is entering Kindergarten or 7th grade please make sure they have had the following vaccinations and doses.

### Kindergarten:

*Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis: 5 Doses*

*Polio: 4 Doses*

*Hepatitis B: 3 Doses*

*Measles, Mumps, Rubella & Varicella (Chicken Pox): 2 Doses*

**7th Grade: Tdap or Td booster.**

Please view Health Services on the district website for further information and printable forms, [www.cwschools.org](http://www.cwschools.org)

## Registered to Vote?

It's easy, just stop in the District Office or the High School Main Office for a registration form. **If you are a registered voter but have moved into the district recently, you must update your voting address by filling out another voter registration form.** Make sure you do this so you can cast your vote on Election Day. Registration and address changes can also be made online.

Franklin County

Go to [www.vote.franklincountyohio.gov](http://www.vote.franklincountyohio.gov)

- Click on **Voter Registration**
- Then Click on **Register to Vote** OR **Change of Name or Address**

Fairfield County

go to [www.fairfieldelections.com](http://www.fairfieldelections.com)

- Click on Voter Registration
- Follow instructions on page



## Indian Trail Grades K-2

**Monday, August 22, 2011**

**Kindergarten Parent Meeting** (No children please)

AM Classes 3:00-4:00 PM

PM Classes 4:00-5:00 PM

**Tuesday, August 23, 2011**

**Supply Drop-off**

3:30-5:00 PM

Use this time to find your classroom, drop off supplies and say hello to the teacher before school starts.

Sign up for Student Discovery Meeting.

**Thursday, August 25, 2011**

**First Day of School**

School Day Times

Grades 1-2 8:55 AM – 3:40 PM

AM Kindergarten 8:55 AM – 11:40 AM

PM Kindergarten 12:55 PM – 3:40 PM

Students are permitted in the building at 8:40 AM.

For student safety please do not arrive earlier.

## Middle School Grades 6-8

**Monday, August 22, 2011**

**6th Grade Orientation and Schedule Pick-up**

(Report to Home base)

5:30-7:00 PM

**Tuesday, August 23, 2011**

**7th & 8th Grade Schedule Pick-up**

(Report to Home base)

5:30-7:00 PM

**Thursday, August 25, 2011**

**First Day of School** -School Day 7:45 AM-2:40 PM

## High School Grades 9-12

**Wednesday August 17, 2011**

**Schedule Pick-up & Parking Permit Registration**

12th Grade 8:00 AM-10:00 AM

11th Grade 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

10th Grade 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

9th Grade 10:00 AM-2:00 PM

9th Grade Tours are available between 12:00-2:00 PM

**Monday, August 22, 2011**

**Open House**

4:30-6:00 PM

**Thursday, August 25, 2011**

**First Day of School** -

School Day 7:30 AM-2:20 PM

## Winchester Trail Grades 3-5

**Tuesday, August 23, 2011**

**Supply Drop-off** (including Pre-school)

2:30-4:00 PM

Use this time to find your classroom, drop off supplies and say hello to the teacher before school starts.

Sign up for Student Discovery Meeting.

**Thursday, August 25, 2011**

**First Day of School**

School Day Times

Grades 3-5 9:00 AM – 3:45 PM

AM Preschool 9:00 AM – 11:45 AM

PM Preschool 1:00 PM – 3:45 PM

Students are permitted in the building at 8:45 AM.

For student safety reasons please do not arrive earlier.



### Fall Picture Dates

High School	Sep. 7
Middle School	Sep. 20
Grades 3-5	Oct. 20
Grades K-2	Sep. 21-22
Preschool	Oct. 20



## Fees

Kindergarten	\$23
Grade 1	\$33
Grade 2	\$35
Grade 3	\$30
Grade 4	\$40
Grade 5	\$32

\* Fee payments can be made by check, cash or credit card at each building.

### Grades 6-7-8

\$28 + additional fees based on student's class schedule. Fees will not exceed \$48.

### Grades 9-10-11-12

All fees based on student class schedule. Please check the website under High School for a full list of class fees.





**Canal Winchester**

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## Building Contact Information

### **Canal Winchester High School**

300 Washington St.  
Canal Winchester, OH 43110  
Principal: Mr. Lynn Landis  
Asst. Principal: Mr. Kirk Henderson  
Asst. Principal: Mr. Shawn Haughn  
School Hours: 7:30 AM-2:20 PM  
Main Office: 614 833-2157  
Fax: 614 833-2163  
Email: CWHS@canalwin.k12.oh.us

### **Winchester Trail Elementary**

Grades 3-5  
6865 Gender Rd.  
Canal Winchester, OH 43110  
Principal: Dr. Mike Bruning  
Principal: Mr. Bill Whitlatch  
School Hours: 9:00 AM-3:45 PM  
Main Office: 614 833-2150  
Fax: 614 833-2161  
Email: WTES@canalwin.k12.oh.us

### **Canal Winchester Middle School**

7155 Parkview Dr.  
Canal Winchester, OH 43110  
Principal: Mrs. Cassy Miller  
Asst. Principal: Mr. Daniel Senu-Oke  
School Hours: 7:45 AM-2:40 PM  
Main Office: 614 833-2151  
Attendance: 614 828-4900  
Fax: 614 828-2173  
Email: CWMS@canalwin.k12.oh.us

### **Indian Trail Elementary**

Grades K-2  
6767 Gender Rd.  
Canal Winchester, OH 43110  
Principal: Mrs. Bev Downing  
Asst. Principal: Mr. Jamie King  
School Hours: 8:55 AM-3:40 PM  
Main Office: 614 833-2154  
Fax: 614 833-2167  
Email: ITES@canalwin.k12.oh.us

### **District Office-Education Center**

100 Washington St.  
Canal Winchester, OH 43110  
Supt: Dr. Kimberley Miller-Smith  
Asst. Supt.: Ms. Barbara J. Harrison  
Main Office: 614 837-4533  
Fax: 614 833-2165

### **Transportation/Operations Center**

955 West Walnut St.  
Canal Winchester, OH 43110  
Supervisor: Mrs. Bev Hockman  
Office: 614 833-2164  
Fax: 614 920-2613

### **Special Services & Pre-School**

290 Washington St.  
Canal Winchester, OH 43110  
Supervisor: Ms. Joan Thorn  
Supervisor: Mrs. Lisa Kelley  
Office: 614 833-3182  
Fax: 614 833-3181

Need answers? Please feel free to contact any of our school buildings and our friendly staff will be glad to assist you with any information. Our district is here to work with your family!

