



GOOD NEWS



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Cincinnati Public Schools is proud to highlight district achievements and community support.

Walnut Hills High School Ranked Among Nation's Best

Walnut Hills High School is ranked No. 36 among the nation's best high schools according to *U.S. News & World Report*. The school also made the top 100 on *Newsweek* magazine's list, coming in at No. 57. Congratulations to the students and staff of Walnut.

Clark Montessori Students Help Thousands of Students in Need

A group of 11th- and 12th-grade students with multiple disabilities at Clark Montessori High School packed more than 6,600 weekend food bags during the fall semester for Childhood Food Solutions, a nonprofit organization that provides meals to students from low-income families who may not know when their next meal is coming. While Cincinnati Public Schools provides free breakfast and lunch for many students during the week, Childhood Food Solutions steps in to provide meals on weekends and during winter, spring and summer breaks. The Clark Montessori students volunteer to pack weekend food bags regularly, averaging 500 to 600 per week. Their efforts help ensure that children throughout our district enjoy healthy meals every day.

Aiken High School Campus to Host Empowerment Conference for Young Men

The Aiken High School campus, once again, will host its Men on Campus Day, a conference for young men designed to empower them toward excellence throughout their lives. Packed with workshops on topics ranging from transitioning into the workforce to financial literacy, the conference will bring together dozens of successful men to network with and mentor the students. Hamilton County Coroner Dr. O'dell Owens will deliver the keynote address. Men on Campus Day takes place Friday, December 12, 2008, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:50 p.m.

Exxon/Mobil Gives Schools a Small Boost

The Exxon/Mobil Educational Alliance has provided \$500 mini-grants to dozens of Cincinnati Public Schools to support academic programs. Among the recipients are Sayler Park School, William H. Taft Elementary, Clark Montessori High School, Gilbert A. Dater High School, Western Hills Design Technology High School, Western Hills University High School, Withrow University High School, Covedale School, Shroder High School, Hoffman-Parham School, Dater Montessori School, Westwood School, Winton Hills Academy and Cheviot School.

If you have Good News you would like to share, please forward it to Dawn L. Grady at gradyda@cps-k12.org. Thank you!