



IMPORTANT DATES

2/1: Tuition Due
2/19: No School/No CAS

FAMILY FUN

2/3: **Winter Carnival** at the Franklin County Fairgrounds in Hilliard. Click here for all the fun details! [Winter Carnival 2024](#)

Want to take in a Buckeye **sporting event**? Check out the schedules here and click on your favorite! [OSU Men's Basketball](#)

[OSU Women's Basketball](#)

[OSU Ice Hockey](#)

February 2024

COMMUNICATION & TECHNOLOGY

Many of our children have been excited to show us their new Smart Watches! We appreciate the convenience these bring to your family. We would like to request that, barring an emergency, children refrain from using this device during CAS programming hours. Please try to limit communications with your child while at CAS. Click to review our [Technology Policy](#).

Here is a helpful video to setup '[SchoolTime](#)' on an apple watch, which allows you to control access during school/program hours.

CURRENT FAMILY REGISTRATION FOR NEXT SCHOOL YEAR

The priority registration period for currently enrolled families for the 2024-25 school year will be February 26 - March 1st. Registration is required if you want your child to attend CAS next school year. You will receive additional details along with reminders as we get closer to the date. Check out our [website](#) for details or send questions to info@careafterschool.com.

PARENT SURVEY

Each year, we ask parents to take a brief survey about the program. We constantly strive to make CAS a safe and enjoyable place for your children. We sincerely value your input and hope you'll complete the upcoming survey. In the next couple weeks, please be on the lookout for emails containing the link.



IMITATING ART

There are so many fun videos for our kids to watch! Silly dances and challenges are a part of growing up today. Talk with your children about what they see online, and what is appropriate in school and after school. We have seen some disruptive behavior consistent with popular videos on TikTok-IRL. We offer many creative outlets, and embrace trends with organized activities. We appreciate being able to work with you to help guide our children through this digital age.

UPDATES NEEDED

If you haven't done so already, please see your Site Director to review your current registration form, and make changes as needed. ***This must be completed and initialed by March 29, 2024.***

PICK-UP TIME

Please allow a few extra minutes at pick-up time for your children to carry out their end-of-the-day responsibilities. They should put away any supplies they are using, put their clip away, put away their basket, and wash their hands.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT

PROMOTING TOGETHERNESS

PICK A CARD ADVENTURE

Speaking of this digital age, here's a great idea for a family night! Since you're already planning to discuss appropriate trends with your children, why not turn it into something fun? Have you seen the videos where the kids blindly choose their fun? Click here to see how it works:

[Pick A Card Adventure](#)

Now that you know what to do, here are some ideas! SHOULD WE:

- Bake a cake together, or bake cookies?
- Have a dance party, or a karaoke sing-along?
- Have *this* or *that* for dinner?
- Go for a family hike at Highbanks, or check out a new playground?
- Watch *this* movie together, or *that* one?
- Go swimming at the rec center, or ice skating at Chiller?
- Build a blanket fort, or have a tea party?
- Play a board game, or play a card game?
- OSU women's basketball game (\$5 tix), or Play basketball at the Y (\$5 guest pass)



Choose your family favorite activities and spend the day choosing which ones to do!

THE BENEFITS OF PLANNING A WEEKLY FAMILY NIGHT

- 1. IT MAKES FAMILY TIME A PRIORITY.**
SOMETIMES ALL THE THINGS ON OUR TO-DO LISTS PREVENT US FROM JUST SLOWING DOWN AND ENJOYING OUR KIDS. PLANNING A WEEKLY FAMILY NIGHT IS AN EASY WAY TO BECOME MORE INTENTIONAL AND ENJOY MORE QUALITY TIME WITH YOUR FAMILY.
- 2. IT MAKES CHILDREN FEEL CONNECTED.**
KIDS LOVE FAMILY NIGHT NOT ONLY BECAUSE THEY ARE FUN BUT ALSO BECAUSE IT BRINGS THEM CLOSER TO THEIR PARENTS. A FAMILY NIGHT IS A PERFECT OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE FUN TOGETHER AND CONNECT!
- 3. FAMILY NIGHTS WILL BECOME PRECIOUS MEMORIES.**