



IMPORTANT DATES

12/1: Tuition Due
12/20-1/4: WINTER BREAK
No School/No CAS

FAMILY FUN

12/6: [Worthington Chorus](#) presents "Christmas with a Twist" at 1:00

12/12: [Community Center Holiday Party](#) -FREE event from 6:00-8:00

Or... If you're looking for a magical family day trip, check out this link to all the different [Christmas Train Rides in Ohio](#), including the Polar Express!

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HOW CAN I GET A DISCOUNT ON MY TUITION?

Do you want to receive a \$25 discount on one month's tuition? It's easy! Care After School is hiring! If you know someone who loves school-age children and would be a great fit with our program, refer them to this link: <https://careafterschool.com/employment>

If your referral is hired, you will receive a discounted tuition rate after they have completed 30 days of employment. Maybe you know a college student who has done some babysitting for you? Maybe you know someone who has recently retired and is looking for a fun part-time job? Perhaps you know a stay-at-home parent who would like a job they could enjoy *with* their kids? That's right, employees' school age children attend CAS for free!



A SEASON OF GIVING



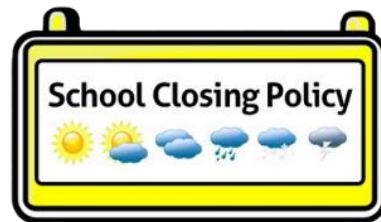
All CAS sites participate in community service projects throughout the year, and many choose to give during the month of December. Please be on the lookout for information about these special charities and how you can help, if you would like to. Additionally, some very special annual CAS traditions also happen this month! You might notice donation sheets at the parent table, to help provide candy for our Festival of Trees or Graham Cracker Cottages. If you're planning on donating to a local foodbank this season, check out page three of this newsletter for some helpful tips. We appreciate your generosity and are proud to be part of such a supportive community!

EMERGENCY CLOSINGS

We all know how unpredictable Ohio weather can be. We must be prepared for school delays, closings, and early dismissals. Have you reviewed your family's plan with your child? CAS will close in these situations:

- If Worthington Schools are closed for the day, CAS is closed.
- If the start of school is delayed, the CAS before school program is closed.
- If elementary, middle, or high schools are dismissed early for an emergency, CAS is closed.

The policy on delays, dismissals, and closings is also available in your Parent Handbook.



Be on the lookout for a google form requesting your plan in the event school and/or CAS close early.

FROM ALL YOUR FRIENDS AT CAS, HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON





December is a time of year that can bring multiple generations together.

Growing healthy emotional bonds between generations helps children develop a sense of identity, continuity, and an understanding of their place in family history. Kids who regularly interact with older and younger generations enjoy the security of knowing they belong to an extended tribe who cares about them and each other. You can use the list below or check out this link to purchase some amazing conversation-starting cards.

[Family Gathering Table Topics](#)

1. *What is your first memory?*
2. *Who was/is your hero as a child?*
3. *What was/is your favorite thing to do as a child?*
4. *Who was/is your favorite teacher?*
5. *Who were/are some of your best friends?*
6. *What was your first job?*
7. *How did your parents meet?*
8. *Do you have any traditions for celebrating birthdays or holidays?*
9. *How did/do you celebrate New Year's Eve as a child?*
10. *What are 3 of your favorite songs?*
11. *Where is your favorite vacation spot?*
12. *Is there someplace you've never been, but always wanted to go?*
13. *Did you ever break a bone or get stitches?*
14. *Do you use any recipes that were passed down from older generations in your family?*
15. *What did/do you want to be when you grew/grow up?*
16. *What is the best advice you ever received?*

What other questions would you like to add? Have fun sharing the history behind some of your favorite traditions!

DONATING TO A FOOD PANTRY THIS HOLIDAY SEASON?

CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION DISTRIBUTED BY THE WORTHINGTON RESOURCE PANTRY:

2025'S MOST NEEDED ITEMS AT THE WORTHINGTON RESOURCE PANTRY

- PEANUT BUTTER
- CEREAL
- TUNA
- DIAPERS (SZ 3 & UP)
- BODY WASH
- SHAMPOO
- PADS

FOR ADDITIONAL NEEDED
ITEMS, PLEASE SCAN
HERE TO GO DIRECTLY TO
THEIR AMAZON WISH
LIST. 



ADDITIONAL REQUESTS MADE BY THOSE IN NEED

BOXED MILK IS A TREASURE. KIDS NEED THIS FOR CEREAL.

OIL IS A LUXURY, BUT IS NEEDED FOR RICE-A-RONI, WHICH THEY GET A LOT OF.

SPICES OR SALT & PEPPER WOULD BE A REAL CHRISTMAS GIFT.

TEA BAGS AND COFFEE MAKE THEM FEEL LIKE YOU CARE.

SUGAR AND FLOUR ARE REAL TREATS.

THEY FAWN OVER FRESH PRODUCE DONATED BY FARMERS AND GROCERY STORES.

THEY RARELY GET FRESH MEAT.

BUTTER OR MARGARINE IS NICE TOO.

EGGS ARE A REAL COMMODITY.

CAKE MIXES AND FROSTING MAKE IT POSSIBLE TO MAKE A CHILD'S BIRTHDAY CAKE.

DISHWASHING DETERGENT IS VERY EXPENSIVE AND ALWAYS APPRECIATED.

EVERYONE LOVES STOVETOP STUFFING

