

Welcome to the Program for Young Children at the Columbus School for Girls. I am thrilled to welcome you and your child. As a parent of a CSG student myself, I can share with you that the experience will not only engage your child's sense of inquiry, it will impact you as well. Loris Malaguzzi, founder of the Reggio Emilia philosophy, invites us all to, "*consider a triad at the center of education-children, teachers, and families.*"

Together, we will develop a relationship centered on this notion. You will come to see that the knowledge and experience your child brings to the program is a relevant and meaningful contribution to our developmentally appropriate, student-driven curriculum. In anticipation of your child's first year at CSG, we know that you have questions about the transition and we are eager to work closely with you to make this a positive transition into the CSG community.

In late July you will receive information about signing up for a **PYC Welcome Conference**. This meeting gives you one-on-one time with your child's teachers. Our hope is to meet with you in person, if you are unable to attend in person we can make arrangements to Zoom. It provides us with the opportunity to learn more about your child, share information about daily routines, uniforms, CSG traditions, and other important aspects of transitioning into the school community.

I am honored to have the privilege of serving as the Director of the PYC. The teachers and staff express their dedication daily, and you will come to see each of them as your child's community of teachers. I continue to be impressed with every aspect of our remarkable program. The growth that I have seen in each child in our division assures me that the mission of CSG is at the heart of all we do. Our students are empowered to discover their distinct potential as learners and leaders.

Please know that we are here to support your child and your family in the coming year. Do not hesitate to contact me through email jschiff@columbusschoolforgirls.org or by calling 614-252-0781, ext 108, if you have any questions.

Future Dates:

Saturday, August 14- PYC Back to School Social

3/4 & 4/5 - 9:00 - 10:30 am

5/6 - 11:00 am- 12:30 pm

Monday, August 23 - 1st Day of School Parent Reception

7:45 - 8 :45 am

Spirit Courtyard

First Full Day of School for PYC Students

Wednesday, August 18 - 3/4 Group A, 4/5 Group A, 5/6 Group A

8:30 am - 12:20 pm (1/2 day for all Students)

Thursday, August 19 - 3/4 Class Group B, 4/5 Group B, 5/6 Group B
8:30 am- 12:20 pm (1/2 day for all Students)

Friday, August 20 - 3/4 , 4/5, 5/6 - Both Group A and B for all classes
8:30 am - 12:20 pm (1/2 day for all Students)

Monday, August 23 - First Full Day of school for PYC Students

7:30 - 8:00 am - Morning Care (Pre-registration Required)

8:30 am - School day begins

12:20 - 12:30 - Half day Pick-up

3:00 - 3:20 - Full day Pick-up

Thursday, August 26 - PYC Parent Night

5:30 - 7:00 pm

Unicorn Theater

Warmly,
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