CHESTER COMMUNITY CHARTER SCHOOL

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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IMPORTANT DATES

Parent BINGO
November 11, 2026
Location: Aston 2 Cafeteria
Time: 5pm - 7pm

Parent Advisory Council Meeting
November 18, 2026
6pm - 7pm
Virtual Google Meet Link

Half Day for Students
November 23, 2026

Half Day for Students/Parent Teacher Conferences
November 24, 2026 1pm - 6pm

No School - Thanksgiving Break
November 25-27, 2026

LOCAL RESOURCES

Housing & Emergency Shelter
Community Action Agency of Delaware County:
(P) 610-874-8451
Address: 1414 Meetinghouse Road Boothwyn, PA 19061

Clothing & School Supplies
Contact Dr. Janesca Martin
(P) 610-447-0400 X1193
Email:
JAmartin@chestercommunitycharter.org

Food Assistance
Chester Eastside
(P) 610-872-4812
Address: 301 E 9th Street Chester, PA 19013

Transportation
Chester Transit Center
Address: 595 Avenue of the States Chester, PA 19013



Academic Spotlight

Tips and Resources to Support Your Scholar at Home

UFLI (University of Florida Literacy Initiative) is a research-based phonics program that teaches children how to read by connecting letters to sounds. It uses a structured, step-by-step approach to help students develop foundational reading skills, including phonemic awareness, letter-sound recognition, blending sounds, decoding words, spelling, and reading fluently. UFLI is primarily designed for students in kindergarten through second grade but can also support older students who need additional reading instruction. Through consistent, explicit lessons, children learn to sound out words rather than simply memorize them or guess based on pictures. CCCS is using UFLI for core ELA instruction in grades K-2 and intervention in grades 3-8 as well as Special Education classes.

Parents can support their child's reading development at home by practicing letter names and sounds, playing word games, reading decodable books, and practicing spelling words using the phonics skills learned in school. Keeping practice short, fun, and encouraging helps children build confidence and develop a positive attitude toward reading. When parents and teachers work together to reinforce these skills, children strengthen their reading accuracy, fluency, and comprehension, building a strong foundation for long-term reading success.

Please visit our UFLI Parent Resources page with more information on how to support your child at home. Need more support? Fill out the Parent Help Request Form.

Message from the CEO

Dear CCCS Families,

As we enter November, I am grateful for the trust you place in Chester Community Charter School. Our Strategic Plan, Building Tomorrow Together, guides our work to help every child learn, feel supported, and prepare for the future. This month, I want to highlight a few ways we can work together to keep our students connected and growing.

Attendance Matters Every School Day

Please make daily, on-time attendance a priority, including the days before and after Thanksgiving break. Each school day gives students time to build skills, connect with teachers, and learn alongside classmates. Consistent bedtimes, preparing clothes and backpacks the night before, and planning ahead for transportation can make mornings easier. When possible, schedule appointments outside school hours. If your child must be absent, notify the school and follow its absence documentation procedures. If transportation or another concern is making attendance difficult, contact your school counselor or principal early so we can work through barriers together.

ASun Star Support in Every Building

Our partnership with ASun Star brings additional mental and behavioral health support to students in all CCCS buildings. This partnership strengthens our commitment to the whole child and works alongside our school counselors and student support teams. Depending on individual needs, services may include counseling and support with coping skills, emotional regulation, peer relationships, stress, or family challenges. Families who would like to learn more should contact their child's school counselor to discuss the referral process.

Make Time for a Learning Check In

November is a good time to connect with your child's teacher about progress. Ask what your child is doing well, which skills need practice, and one way you can help at home. Reading together, talking about the school day, and practicing teacher-recommended skills can keep learning moving forward. If you have questions about assignments or extra support, please reach out.

Stay Connected and Reach Out Early

Please keep your phone number, email address, and emergency contacts current, and review school messages for November events and calendar updates. If your family needs help finding food, clothing, or other community resources, contact your school counselor. Together, we can identify available support before challenges become harder to manage.

Thank you for partnering with us and for all you do to support your child. I wish every CCCS family a peaceful Thanksgiving and a November filled with learning, connection, and gratitude.



Sincerely,

Mark Battinieri





Important Links:

CCCS Website

School Calendar

Breakfast/Lunch Menu

Absent Note

Update Your Phone Number

Parent Family Engagement Policy

Get Involved!

Would you like to be apart of the Parent Advisory Council? Use the QR code or click HERE to receive more information.

ESL Resources

Thus far, the ESL teachers' focus has been on community, which included self, family and others surrounding them. Hispanic Heritage Month was a great opportunity for our entire school community to not only learn about Hispanic culture, but also build connections to other various cultures. Each building took part in their own activities from special announcements to festive parties. Thank you to our students and families who shared and participated in celebrating the month with us!

As we move into this new month, we'll continue to support our ESL community by providing parent- teacher conferences with Spanish translation. If your child receives ESL services, you'll receive a specific conference date from your child's ESL teacher. Also, going home this month, there will also be a helpful packet of information and resources to assist throughout this school year. As always, the ESL team appreciates your participation and support amongst your child's learning journey!



Hasta ahora, el enfoque de los maestros de ESL (inglés como segundo idioma) ha sido la comunidad, lo cual abarca al individuo, a la familia y a las personas que los rodean. El Mes de la Herencia Hispana fue una excelente oportunidad para que toda nuestra comunidad escolar no solo aprendiera sobre la cultura hispana, sino que también estableciera vínculos con otras culturas. Cada centro escolar llevó a cabo sus propias actividades, desde anuncios especiales hasta celebraciones festivas. ¡Gracias a nuestros estudiantes y familias que compartieron y participaron con nosotros en la celebración de este mes!

Al comenzar este nuevo mes, continuaremos apoyando a nuestra comunidad de ESL ofreciendo conferencias entre padres y maestros con traducción al español. Si su hijo recibe servicios de ESL, el maestro o maestra de ESL le comunicará la fecha específica para su conferencia. Además, este mes se enviará a casa un paquete informativo con recursos útiles para apoyar el proceso educativo a lo largo del año escolar. Como siempre, ¡el equipo de ESL agradece su participación y apoyo en el camino de aprendizaje de su hijo!

ESL Families/ Title III

For department staff, information, and resources, please refer to website.

Enrollment Updates & Upcoming Events



Click here to RSVP

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What's Going on in East A?



This month's PBIS Behavior focus is on being safe. Please help support us with reminding students to always be safe in school. Maybe your scholar will be chosen for the Scholar of the Month!



Some important dates to remember:

11/6 - PBIS Trunk or Treat - invitation only

11/12 - Q1 Honor Roll - Invitation only

11/23 - Half day for students

11/24 - Student of the Month (Invitation Only)

11/24 - Half day for Scholars/Parent/Teacher conferences



- Breakfast begins at 7:45am.
- Scholars are considered late after 8:15 am.
- Early dismissal ends at 2:00pm.
- Scholars will dismiss at 2:55pm.
- Scholars must wear uniforms daily.

Message from Principal Jessica Reynolds

Parent-teacher conferences are this month! Please make sure to contact your scholar's teacher to schedule a convenient time to discuss your scholar's progress and ways you can support learning at home.

Also, please ask your scholar's teacher for their IXL login information so your scholar can complete additional academic work at home.

- Ms. Reynolds



What's Going on in East B?



This month's PBIS Behavior focus is on cafeteria safety. Please help support us with reminding students to sit and calmly eat.



Some important dates to remember:

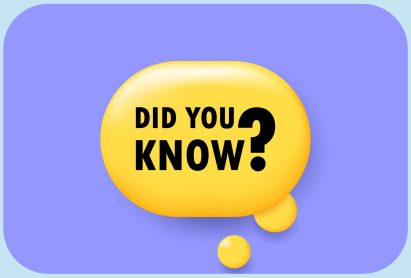
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- Before Care is in East B for the East Campus. 7:00 AM daily. Applications will be made available.
- Breakfast is served daily from 7:45-8:15 (later for bus riders)
- Scholars are marked late starting at 8:15.
- Late drop offs end at 10:30
- Early Dismissals stop at 2:00
- Absence notes are available in the Main Office or at this link (Click Here)

Message from Principal Jared Shutt

As we move into November please continue to work with your scholar on reading and math skills at home. Practicing these skills at home with strengthen the skills at school.

GetEpic is a great online resource for books. Over 40,000 titles for the kids to choose!

-Principal Shutt



What's Going on in East C?



This month our PBIS focus is **Being Kind**. Please remind your scholar to treat others the same way they wish to be treated. Those scholars and staff members that exemplify what it means to Be Safe will be celebrated as a part of our Transformer of the Month Ceremony on ***November 24th***.



For additional information, please click here to view additional building happenings.



*Breakfast starts at 7:30 am
*Scholars entering the building after 8:15 am are late.
*Report Card Conferences will be held on ***November 24th.***
*Wearing the appropriate uniform is mandatory.

Message from Principal Timika Mills

Dear Courtesy Hall Families,

As we welcome the month of November, we want you to know how thankful we are for you! Your continued support, partnership, and dedication help our scholars grow and succeed each day. Together, we are transforming lives, helping our scholars thrive, and building a stronger school community. Thank you for being an important part of our journey and for helping us bring our theme to life: **Transform. Thrive. Repeat.** We wish you and your loved ones a wonderful November filled with love, joy, and gratitude!



What's Going on in Upland?







November is here, and we have so much to be thankful for at Upland! As we continue through the school year, we are grateful for our scholars, families, and staff who make our school community special. This month, our PBIS focus is **Being Respectful**. We encourage scholars to show respect through their words and actions, listen to others, and treat everyone with kindness. We are also excited to see our scholars growing as leaders, taking responsibility, and showing pride in their school. As we approach Thanksgiving, we want to thank our families for your continued partnership, encouragement, and support. Together, we are making Upland a welcoming place where every scholar feels valued, respected, and ready to succeed!

Some important dates to remember:

November 6- October PBIS Party

November 12- Quarter 1 Honor Roll Ceremony

November 13- School Pictures- More information to Come

November 18- Scholar of the Month Ceremony

November 18- PTA Meeting (Virtual)

November 23- ½ Day for Scholars

November 24- ½ Day for Scholars/Parent Teacher Conferences 1PM-6PM

- **School begins at 8:00 AM.** Breakfast begins at 7:45.
- **Early dismissals end at 2:00 PM.**
- **Uniforms are required** each day.
- **PBIS Focus:** November's focus is Being Respectful! Encourage your scholar to use kind words, listen to others, and show respect at school and at home.
- **Connect to ClassDojo** for school and classroom updates.
- **Cell Phones:** Please review and follow the CCCS cell phone policy.
- **Absences:** Send a note or **complete the online form here.**

Message from Principal Eric Sotsky

As we enter November, I want to take a moment to thank our Upland families for your continued support and partnership. It has been wonderful watching our scholars grow academically, build friendships, and take on new leadership opportunities throughout the school. We have so much to be proud of, and I am grateful for the dedication of our staff and the trust our families place in us each day. As we approach Thanksgiving, I encourage everyone to take time to appreciate the people who make a difference in their lives. Thank you for being part of our Upland family. I look forward to another great month together!



What's Going on in West A?







October recap... October was an exciting and memorable month at our school! We celebrated Hispanic Heritage Month by recognizing the rich cultures, traditions, and contributions of Hispanic and Latino communities. Our students enjoyed an educational trip to the Herr's Potato Chip Factory, where they learned how one of their favorite snacks is made. We also welcomed a fire prevention assembly, giving students the opportunity to learn important fire safety tips and even climb inside a real fire truck! In the classroom, students explored the history and cultures of Indigenous peoples while continuing to build their knowledge and understanding of the world around them. As we wrapped up the first quarter, we celebrated the hard work and accomplishments of our students at the Q1 Honor Roll Luncheon. Our 'on-level' students' were also rewarded with a Fall Festival filled with seasonal fun and activities. October was a wonderful month of growth, discovery, and community, and we look forward to all the exciting things November will bring!

- 11/2- Dia De Los Muertos lessons
- 11/6- Dilwali lessons
- 11/6- Q1 Report Cards sent home
- 11/6- Q1 Honor Roll Luncheon
- 11/6- October Award Ceremony
- 11/11- Veterans Day lessons
- 11/13- World Kindness activities
- 11/17- Franklin Institute Trip
- 11/20- Thanksgiving Feast
- 11/23- Native American lessons
- 11/23- Student Half Day
- 11/24- Half Day/Fall Conferences
- 11/25-11/27- NO SCHOOL
- 11/30- November Writing Contest Due

The school day begins at 8am daily. When students arrive they'll enter through the West A Cafeteria doors and be greeted by staff for breakfast before morning Assembly begins.

Scholars must be in school uniform every day. Uniform sales occur monthly on the East Campus.

If your student is absent from school you will receive a call from staff, however they must bring a note upon return for the absence to be excused.

Please review the HRS@CCCS Student Handbook for additional school policy info.

Message from Principal ....

Happy Fall Y'all!

Dear Families, As we welcome the month of November, I would like to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful things happening at our school and express my gratitude for our amazing students, dedicated staff, and supportive families. This time of year reminds us of the importance of kindness, gratitude, and community. As we approach Thanksgiving, we are especially thankful for the opportunity to watch our students grow academically, socially, and emotionally each day. We are proud of their hard work, perseverance, and accomplishments as they continue to learn new skills, build positive relationships, and reach their goals. Thank you for your continued partnership and support in making our school a place where every student can learn, grow, and succeed. From our school family to yours, we wish you a happy, healthy, and peaceful Thanksgiving filled with love, laughter, and special moments with those who matter most!



What's Happening in West B?

PBIS
POSITIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTIONS & SUPPORTS

UPCOMING EVENTS



Our focus for November is BE SAFE. Scholars work each day to be good role models and show kindness to their classmates and peers. We continue to celebrate their actions with Dojo points and rewards both in the classroom and schoolwide.

11/6	PBIS Party
11/11	Parent Bingo
11/23	Half-day
11/24	Half-day
11/24	Report Card Conferences
11/25	No School
11/26	No School
11/27	No School

Parents please model our PBIS expectations at home.
CCCS PBIS Expectations
PBIS Matrix
Reminder - Student Cell Phone use is not allowed during school hours.

Scholars must be in their school uniform every day. Uniform sales occur monthly on the East Campus.

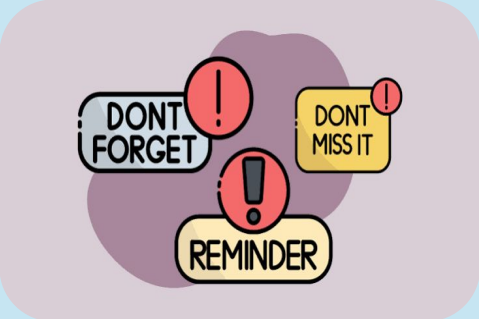
When your child returns to school from an absence, please send them with a note or fill out this form online.

A Message from Principal Deal

Be sure to connect with your child's teacher and schedule your Parent-Teacher Conference for November 24th. You can learn about their progress so far in school and what supports we can continue to implement for continued academic and behavioral success. We look forward to seeing you!



Spotlight on West C



Parents please model our PBIS expectations at home.

CCCS PBIS Expectations

PBIS Matrix

November PBIS Expectation -BE SAFE

Reminder - Student Cell Phone use is not allowed during school hours.

Scholars must be in their school uniform every day. Uniform sales occur monthly on the East Campus 11/19.

When your child returns to school from an absence, please send them with a note or fill out this form online.



It's going to be getting cold out soon. Remember to be labeling all your scholars belongings with their name or initials.

Please remember that the school is not responsible for students personal belongings.

Remember to sign up to your scholar's teachers Class Dojo page.



11/2 - GOAT Party

11/6 - PBIS Party: Apple Dipping

11/18 - Ruby Bridges Walk: WEAR PURPLE

11/20 - Due Date Essay Writing Contest: The Mysterious Door at School - Where Does It Lead To?

11/23 - Half Day for Students

11/24 - Half Day for Students

Scholar Report Card Conferences 1 -6 pm

Message from Principal Meitner

Welcome to November! As the autumn leaves fall and the days grow shorter, our focus inside the school is brighter than ever. This month, we are centering our efforts on **gratitude, perseverance, and community**, encouraging our students to reflect on their growth and support one another as we begin the start of the second quarter. With parent-teacher conferences and the thanksgiving break just around the corner, please keep a close eye on our calendar for important dates. Thank you for your continued partnership and for making our West C school community such a vibrant place to learn and grow.

Upcoming Events: Check our school calendar and Class Dojo for days off for students, school events and other important information happening during this month.



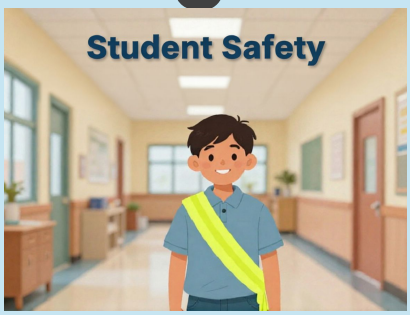
What's Going on in Aston?



At Chester Community Charter School, our PBIS values guide us each day:

We are Respectful, Responsible, Kind, Safe, and Accountable.

These expectations help create a positive, welcoming, and supportive environment where every student can learn and thrive. This month we will have our Wellness Assembly!



As part of our commitment to safety, we're highlighting our **Student Safety Initiative**.

Peer-led safeties play an important role by encouraging classmates to make safe choices, look out for one another, and help build a caring school community. When students lead by example, everyone can help make our campus safer.



Parents are invited to attend the Chester Community Charter School Aston Campus Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) meeting on **Thursday, November 12th**. The meeting will be held in our cafeteria.

Bring your questions about the school year, and hear about upcoming activities and events for our school community. We hope to see you there!

A Message from Principal Gregory Love, Ed.D.

Dear Families,

[CCCS Calendar]

We're excited to introduce our Student Safety Initiative in November, which encourages students to look out for one another and make safe choices. Our peer-led safeties help promote a secure, caring school community by setting a positive example for their classmates. We will see you on 11/12/26!

