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Aiken Cadets Honor Old Glory

Aiken New Tech High School JROTC cadets demonstrated leadership, citizenship and respect during a U.S. flag retirement ceremony on Oct. 22. Students planned and conducted the ceremony, respectfully retiring worn American flags in a ceremonial fire. Retired Army Maj. **Matthew Wadler**, an Aiken JROTC instructor, emphasized that the program develops leadership and responsibility through student-led experiences. Cadets **Quincy Gardner** and **Princess Williams** reflected on the pride and personal growth they have gained through JROTC. Read more here: https://bit.ly/4kiMmb1

CANS Families Beautify School Grounds

A little dirt, a lot of heart! Families and teachers at Clifton Area Neighborhood School teamed up with shovels, teamwork and even heavy equipment to give their school grounds a beautiful makeover. From clearing overgrown plants to creating a pollinator-friendly garden, these volunteers showed what happens when a community digs in together! Read more about the support: https://bit.ly/4jJCGpY

CPS Students Make Art Bloom Across the District



More than 1,000 CPS students joined forces with 30 art teachers to create CPS Bloom, a colorful celebration of creativity and Cincinnati's artistic heritage! From painted vases to butterflies and flowers, students of all ages combined their talents to create one amazing collaborative artwork. The project celebrates the power of arts education, teamwork and creativity and is on display at the Education Center through the end of November.

Shroder Students Turn Ideas Into Action

Big ideas, real-world solutions! Shroder High School students tackled issues like homelessness, affordability and government surveillance at their annual Community Vision Expo, sharing weeks of research with community leaders and elected officials. The experience gave students a chance to speak up, sharpen their skills and show how young voices can help shape Cincinnati's future. For more about the Vision Expo: https://bit.ly/4igQZjb



Carson School Scores a New Soccer Pitch

Carson School celebrated its brand-new soccer pitch, giving students a safe, exciting space to build teamwork, confidence and life skills. A big thank-you to **Principal Taneka Smith,** KidFuture CPS, the Miller family, the Motz team and CPS partners for helping make this special project a reality!

Cincinnatus Education Awards Nominations Open Through Nov. 13

Nominations are open for the Cincinnatus Association's Education Awards. The deadline is Nov. 13. Information about the awards, prior-year recipients and the nomination form is available on their website. CPS employees are encouraged to consider outstanding ***educators and education supporters*** for recognition. Nominate someone here: https://bit.ly/4h8kD9F

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