

# **Ohio Construction Academy**

"Preparing today's students to become tomorrow's leaders"

"Elevating the Experience" for all stakeholders-our mission for the '22-'23 school year!

September 2022

## **Administrative Team**

Mr. Matt Demosky Principal

Mr. DeShannon Butler, Sr. Dean of Students

Mr. Anthony Harris Carpentry Instructor

Ms. Andrea McGee Electrical Instructor

Ms. Melissa Ford Enrollment Coordinator

Ms. Kimberly Carter Intervention Specialist

Mr. Kevin Ford Academic Teacher

Ms. Rae Williams Remediation Teacher

Ms. Renee Skeens Transportation Driver

# Calendar of Events

#### September

9/6-First Day of Star Assessment

9/6-First Day of WebXams Assessment

9/14-Board meeting @ 11:30am

## We are your Blueprint for Success

We have had a very busy, productive, and fun start to the school year! WebXams for electrical, carpentry, and core-safety have been administered. The fall window of the Renaissance Star testing have been administered as well. Our students have performed extremely well on both the lab and academic assessments!





#### School Programs- "Elevating the Student Experience'

**Shark Supply:** Our student-led business has begun production on multiple collapsible picnic tables, as well as cubbies for our sister elementary schools within our EEG network!





9/15-First House Sorting Ceremony

#### October

10/14-Board Meeting at 11:30am

10/14-Staff Professional Development-NO SCHOOL

10/26-Staff Professional Development-NO SCHOOL

## **Shark Awards:**

WebXams:

Highest Core Safety Score: Daymontray Upshaw

**Highest Electrical Score:** Simirrah Cotton

**Highest Carpentry Score:** Dakota Gambrell





# **Buckeye Spirit Week!!**







# Ron Clark House System: Opening Ceremony

Our First Sorting Ceremony was a huge success!! Our students got to spin the wheel and were placed into one of the 4 Houses: Amistad, Reveur, Altruismo, and Isibindi. We would like to thank our community partners Kona Ice, Ange's Pizza, and Nothing Bundt Cakes for providing food, treats, and refreshments for our students and staff. Each staff member was selected to a House as well. In the coming weeks will be holding weekly House meetings where the students will learn more about the history and origin of their house, as well as their house songs, chants, and dances. In addition, we will fuse the RCA "Essential 55" curriculum with our career-based intervention and "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens" in our weekly house meetings.

Team Amistad:



Team Reveur



Team Isibindi:



Team Altruismo:



# School Events:

The first student-awards ceremony will occur on October at 9am. Hope to see you all there!

# OCA Shark Criteria

The OCA school mascot is a shark. A shark is a fierce leader who earns respect from those around them. That is what are students are...fierce leaders who earn respect from those around them. We have developed criteria for what it means to be at OCA and to demonstrate SHARK leadership in the building. We use this criterion to determine our Student of the Month every month and to govern who receives special accolades in our building. These accolades can include anything from awards and certificates, to OCA swag items, to lunch with leaders in our community, to attending sporting and community events in the city. Below is the list of criteria:

#### S - Successful

- Every student knows that they are able to succeed
- Student demonstrates self-confidence in learning
- Student is progressing in class

#### H-Helpful

- Students are helpful and take responsibility for their work
- Student is honest about themselves and their abilities
- Students follow the phone policy the first time

#### A – Accountable

- Student accepts both positive and negative consequences for their actions
- Students (and teachers) follow classroom procedures
- Students (and teachers) bring their best self to class

#### R – Responsible/Respectful

- Students demonstrate respect for themselves and others
- Students demonstrate respect for all/anyone's property
- Student readily admits their faults/mistakes others

#### K – Kindness

- No bullying, name calling, or other forms of disrespect
- Students (and teachers) show empathy/care for others
- Students (and teachers) help others

Please help us reinforce these qualities both at school and at home. We rely on parents and families to be our partners in developing strong leaders and we thank you for all you do for our students!

## **OCA** Vision

"Preparing today's students to be tomorrow's leaders."

"Real Life Wednesdays": This is a collaboration with the construction management company that founded our school in 2013. Associated Builders and Contractors will provide OCA with a guest speaker on a Wednesday once a month. The guest speaker can be an ABC employee, chapter member/employee, or company employer. This initiative is to bring awareness of the lucrative and stable career the construction field offers. Our first presentation of this year will occur in October. Stay tuned for details!

## **OCA Non-Negotiables**

These are behaviors and conduct violations that have immediate consequences:

- \*Physical Altercations/Violence
- \*Verbal or Physical Harassment
- \*Possession or Use of Weapons
- \*Possession or Use of Drugs and Alcohol before or during school hours
- \*Use of Tobacco or Vaping Devices
- \*Threats of Violence
- \*Theft
- \*Cell Phone Use in/during Lab
- \*Non-participation
- \*Bullying

We strive to make OCA a safe, nurturing environment where student well-being and productivity is of the utmost importance.