

Ohio Construction Academy

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

September 2021

Administrative Team

Mr. Matt Demosky Principal

Mr. DeShannon Butler, Sr. Dean of Students

Mr. Jeff Johnston Carpentry Instructor

Ms. Andrea McGee Electrical Instructor

Ms. Melissa Ford Enrollment Coordinator

Ms. Kimberly Carter Intervention Specialist

Mr. Kevin Ford Academic Teacher

Meet the New Principal

I am beyond excited to return for my fifth year at Ohio Construction Academy as the new school leader. OCA is home to me and you and your students are like family to me. As the new principal, our mission is to Elevate the Experience for our students and families. This year we will be implementing our very first Parent-Teacher Organization. In addition, we will be holding monthly student-award ceremonies. We are enthusiastic with the record number of new enrollments we have received this school year. We believe this will be the largest graduating class in OCA's history! Our journey to success is just beginning. We are going to have an unbelievable school year, and **YOU** will be a huge part of it! Thank you for all that you do for our school and ensuring success for your student(s).





Student Awards

"Shark Award" Winners: Richard Skeen, Dakota Gambrell, and Lonay Garland

Marvel "Mind Stone" Award Winner: Richard Skeen

Calendar of Events

October 2021

Career Week- 11th-15th

Students Awards/Parent Breakfast: 10/28

Title 1 Night: 10/13- 5 pm

Board Meeting: 10/13-

11:30am

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

Enroll Now!

OCA is still accepting enrollment for our 2021/2022 school year.

Students are entered into a drawing for SWAG items when they refer a friend!

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!

Welcome our New Staff!

We have hired DeShannon Butler, Sr. as our new Dean of Students. We are thrilled about the skillset and expertise that he will bring to our building. We believe he will have a tremendously positive impact on our school culture. In addition, we are delighted that we have hired 2 new teaching staff members, Kimberly Carter and Rae Williams. Ms. Carter will serve as our Intervention Specialist, while Ms. Williams will be our Remediation Teacher.

OCA Vision

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

School Events

Please mark your calendar to attend our student award ceremony on Thursday, October 28th at 9:00 a.m. We will honor our students with Student of the Month,

OCA Leader of the Month, Academic Excellence, Perfect Attendance, and Shark Award Certificates. We invite our parents and families to join us for donuts and coffee in celebration of our students!

Staff Professional Development

Mr. Butler and I attended the Ron Clark Academy last week in Atlanta, Georgia. This was an extremely memorable trip. As educators, we are forever changed after having attended RCA for 2 days. We are hoping to implement some of their teaching methods, styles, practices, and PBIS programs to our school. Their foundation is built off positive school culture and movement in the classroom. Music, chants, songs, and dance are all is essential parts of their program. This ensures classroom engagement, student participation/mastery, and student success. A huge thank you to our Management Company, Educational Empowerment Group, for sending us on this unforgettable trip.





OCA Non-Negotiables

These are behaviors and conduct violations that have immediate consequences.

- *Bullving
- *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

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