Alumni Weekend 2021

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Friday, October 1

4:30 pm

Alumni Weekend Headquarters & Registration

When you arrive on campus make your first stop Alumni Weekend Headquarters and Registration. Pick up your weekend registration packet which will include your name badge, meal and event tickets, campus map and event location details.

5:00 pm

Welcome Back Reception for the Class of 1970

A special event just for those alumni celebrating their 50th Reunion from the Class of 1970. A great time to greet classmates, spouses or partners, and friends while kicking off Alumni Weekend. Heavy appetizers and drinks will be provided, courtesy of the Office of Alumni Relations. Reserved parking, too!

5:00 pm

Charlie David Dinner Athletic Booster

The Charlie David Dinner is a beloved Columbus Academy tradition. This annual event is named in honor of a dedicated parent who for many years played an important role in organizing a pregame chicken dinner that started 39 years ago for Academy students and parents during the football season. Today, this "chicken dinner" is CA's largest all-school family event of the year! Not only is this event a fun kickoff to the school year, it also provides supplemental support for our Viking student-athletes playing on 66 sports teams in grades 6-12. Thank you for your generous support! Tickets are needed for this event: https://pacaevents.wedoauctions.com/

6:30 pm

Vikings Football Watch Party

Stop by before the varsity football game to relax, catch up with old friends and make new connections with fellow alumni. Free food and beverages will be available courtesy of the Office of Alumni Relations. Dress is casual & CA spirit wear is encouraged!

7:00 pm

Vikings vs. Fort Loramie Varsity Football kickoff

The Class of 1970 will serve as the honorary captains at the Columbus Academy vs. Fort Loramie football game and will be invited to the 50-yard line with the Academy captains for the coin flip and special recognition.

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Saturday, October 2: Alumni-specific Programming

8:30 am - 3:00 pm

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9:00 am

Class of 1970 50th Reunion Breakfast

10:00 am

50th Reunion Roundtable and State of Academy with Head of School, Melissa Soderberg

Exclusive small group event for the 50th reunion Class of 1970

11:00 am

Class of 1970 Reunion Memorial Service

On the occasion of their 50th Reunion, the Class of 1970 will remember classmates who have passed with a small ceremony and remarks.

11:00 am

State of Academy with Head of School, Melissa Soderberg

Head of School Melissa Soderberg will give an engaging update on Academy today including details on recent student successes, faculty accomplishments, and the school's Strategic Vision. Followed by a Q & A period. You won't want to miss this cornerstone Alumni Weekend event.

12:00 pm

All-Alumni Picnic

All alumni, faculty, staff, family and friends are invited to enjoy conversation and a free lunch courtesy of the Office of Alumni Relations.

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1:30 pm

Academy Afternoon Adventures (Session 1)

Select one of the following choices:

1. Master Class with Mr. Kevin Morrin

Kevin Morrin retired in 2005 after teaching English at Columbus Academy for 40 years. KC (as he is affectionately known by many of his colleagues and students) started teaching at Academy in the mid-60's when the school was still located at the Nelson Road campus, and he soon thereafter established our Vikings as the first high school soccer program in Central Ohio. During his Master Class, Mr. Morrin will share memories as well as little known facts about Columbus Academy faculty and staff who taught alongside him during his tenure and made a lasting impression on the school and their students.

2. Art with Peter Haines '60 and David Block

Find yourself back in the classroom (re)learning the basics of sculpture with Upper School Art Teacher David Block and world-renowned sculptor Peter Haines, alumnus from the Class of 1960. Mr. Block will also share an update on Academy's fine arts program. This program is limited to 15 participants and is tailored towards adult alumni.

3. Junior Speeches

A time-honored Academy tradition, come and hear several of the best Junior Speeches from the 2020-2021 school year.

4. Campus Tours

A chance to reacquaint yourself with the spaces you loved while learning about the new places at Academy that are spectacular. Tours will include the chance to see the newly renovated Schoedinger Theatre, the new Field House, the art gallery and classroom spaces in Morris Hall, the new Upper School language arts wing, and more!

2:30 pm

Academy Afternoon Adventures (Session 2)

Select one of the following choices:

1. Biology with Mr. Joel Davis

Find yourself back in the biology lab conducting hands on science experiences with the Dedger and Rose Jones Master Chair in Science, Mr. Joel Davis. Mr. Davis will also share an update on Academy's science program.

2. News from the College Counseling Corner

Come to a conversation with Darnell Heywood, Director of College Counseling, about the world of college admissions today and what is happening specifically at CA. News on current trends, changes in the admissions landscape, and the impact on college choices will be shared. Come with your questions to spark a lively discussion.

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Individual class gatherings coordinated by class agents will be held Saturday evening.

Individual class gatherings (planned by class agents)

Class of 1960
Saturday, October 2, 6 p.m.
Rocky Fork Hunt and Country Club
5189 Clark State Rd.
Gahanna, OH 43230

Class of 1970
Friday, October 1, 9 p.m.
Gahanna Grill
82 Granville St.
Gahanna, OH 43230

Saturday, October 2, 6 p.m.
Columbus Country Club
4831 E. Broad St.
Columbus, OH 43213

Class of 1975: celebrating their 45th Reunion
October 8-9, 2021
Friday, October 8, 7:30pm
Home football game vs Grandview
8:45pm
Drinks at Flanagan's (after first half)

Saturday, October 9, 6 p.m.
10:30 a.m. Tour of the CA Campus
12:00 p.m. Watch Maryland v. Ohio State game at Fred Vorys' garage
7:00 p.m. Peter's Farm in Galena catered dinner or food truck
For more information, contact Kenny Brown '75 (kbrown4323@gmail.com).

Class of 1976
Saturday, October 2, 5 p.m.
Gathering at Henry Hauser's home
For more information, contact Henry Hauser (henry.hauser@raymondjames.com)

Class of 1981
Saturday, October 2, 6:30 p.m.
Gathering at Mike Dehlendorf's home
For more information, contact Erich Hunker (hunkere@columbusacademy.org)

Class of 1985
Saturday, October 2, 6 p.m.
BrewDog New Albany
97 E. Dublin Granville Rd.
New Albany, OH 43054

Class of 1986
Saturday, October 2, 3:30 - 5p.m.
Greg Munster's office
For more information, contact Jonathan Wolman (jonathanwolman@gmail.com)

Class of 1995/Class of 1996
Saturday, October 2, 8 p.m.
Seventh Son Brewery
1101 N. 4th St.
Columbus, OH 43201

Class of 2000
Saturday, October 2, 7:30 p.m.
Hubbard Grille (Upstairs Bar)
793 N High St.
Columbus, OH 43215

Class of 2001
Saturday, October 2, 6–8 p.m.
BrewDog New Albany
97 E. Dublin Granville Rd.
New Albany, OH 43054

Class of 2005
Friday, November 26, 3–5 p.m.
Pins Mechanical Company - Easton
4117 Worth Ave.
Columbus, OH 43219
For more information, contact Zac Sugarman (zac.sugarman@gmail.com)

Class of 2010/Class of 2011
Saturday, October 2, 7–10 p.m.
Taft's Brewpourium
440 W. Broad St.
Columbus, 43215

Details as of September 27, 2021

Saturday, October 2: Other Campus Activities For All

9:00 am **Girls Middle School Doubles Tennis Tournament**
(Carlin Fields)

11:00 am **Viking Rampage Challenge**
(Check-in begins at 9:30 a.m. at the south end of Hondros Field near the Middle School playground)
Explore our 231-acre campus in a fun and messy way with the fourth-annual Viking Rampage Challenge! Three courses through the campus woods, suitable for all age levels & abilities, designed by CA alumnus and parent Ryan Yeoman '90.

10:00 am **Girls 7th Grade Volleyball vs. Cardington Lincoln**
(Jones Gym, Athletic Complex)

11:00 am **Girls 8th Grade Volleyball vs. Cardington Lincoln**
(Jones Gym, Athletic Complex)

12:00 pm **¡HOLA! Tailgate**
(Hondros Field)

1:00 pm **Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Bishop Hartley High School**
(Hondros Field)

2:30 pm **Boys Junior Varsity Soccer vs. Bishop Hartley High School**
(Hondros Field)

Sunday, October 3: Off-campus Activity For All

10:00 am **Apple Picking Service Event**
(Lynd Fruit Farm, Pataskala)
Join the Columbus Academy Student Service Board for the very popular Apple Picking Service Event at Lynd Fruit Farm in Pataskala on Sunday, October 3, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Pick a bag for your family and one (or more) to donate to local food pantries. Prices are $20 for small bags and $30 for large bags. *This year, our picking location is EAST of the 310/Morse Road intersection, just to the EAST of the Market*. Look for the maroon Columbus Academy "Service Event" signs and Lynd greeters who will direct you to our white tent within the orchard.

After you purchase the apples at the farm exit, Upper School students will be waiting to collect any apples you would like to donate. In 2019, 1,445 pounds of apples were collected by Academy alumni, families and friends and donated to local food pantries. Thank you for your time and energy to help those in need!