

Monthly Service Board Highlights

Columbus Academy Service Department News & Upcoming Events • May 2023

Welcome New Service Board Leaders!

Last week, our upper-schoolers selected new leaders for the 2023–2024 Service Board and Student Body. Our new student-led Service Board will be headed by president Justin A. and vice president Arya C. Special thanks to our outgoing leaders Emily M. and Lia H. who have helped guide the Service Board this school year! Additionally, Angela H. and Mikey J. were chosen as the new Student Body co-presidents.



Final Blood Drive a Success

Our final Blood Drive of the school year took place last Tuesday and it was yet again a success as 35 donors helped to collect 26 units! Each unit of blood helps save three lives, which equates to roughly 78 total people that can be helped by our community's donations. All donors also received a special edition Snoopy Red Cross t-shirt! [Click here](#) to learn more.



Service Opportunities Presented at Young Chagemakers Fair

Our fourth-graders presented their poster board projects at the Young Chagemakers Fair in mid-April. Parents went around and visited each station, along with faculty, fellow lower-schoolers and even some upper-schoolers stopped by, to learn about causes and organizations the students wanted to promote for volunteer opportunities. "Throughout the school year we have focused on acts of kindness, inspirational quotes and service learning," said fourth grade teacher Wendi Chavarria. "We hope to open their eyes to the many problems and challenges individuals in our world face and then challenge our students to do something about it." View more pictures from this event at columbusacademy.org/photos.



Support Faith Mission Deliveries

For the first time since March 2020, students were able to accompany the monthly meal prepared for Faith Mission and serve it to the clients in October 2022! Deliveries to Faith Mission occur on the second Tuesday of each month with upcoming opportunities to prepare a snack/food for May. Contact [Beckie Hoagland](#) and [Matt McCue](#) for more details on how to sign up to provide food or help with delivery.



New Clothing Donation Bins

Our Buildings & Grounds Department, led by director Harland Young and administrative assistant Andrew Holman, recently purchased new bins for donations to be dropped off in for our Clothing Exchange Closet. These bins are made of heavy-duty plastic and have strong lids with a QR code sticker on top of each one to scan and see what clothing items are accepted. The bins are located inside the main entrance to Lower School, outside the entrance to Middle School near the bus circle at Academy Hall, as well as inside the doors to the Senior Lounge adjacent to the Upper School Office.



Ongoing Support Needed for "Blessing Boxes"

Columbus Academy's Service Board first built and installed "Blessing Boxes" around Gahanna during the 2020–21 school year. There are now three locations for the boxes! Economy items in these boxes are in high demand (i.e. – bottles of water, snack bars, single-serving mac & cheese, cereal). Donations are always welcome! [Click here](#) to sign up for a date/location to stock a box and read more about this opportunity [here](#) or [email Rachael Gorsuch](#) for questions about keeping the boxes stocked year round.

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