

*An act of service reflects generosity of time, energy, and resources.
It is an investment of self-- spirit, body, mind -- in helping to meet the needs of others.*
The Columbus Academy Service Board

Fall 2011

Dear Parents and Grade 10 students,

We hope this finds you well. This year's Upper School Service Day is scheduled for Friday, September 16, 2011. In conjunction with the new Ethics and Community course all sophomores will be participating in a poverty simulation as part of their Service Day experience. Using a program developed by the Missouri Association for Community Action and staffed by faculty, parents, and student leaders, the simulation experience is intended to help participants begin to understand the daily challenges for a typical low-income family. This will be the second time CA students have had the opportunity to participate in the simulation; last school year members of several upper school groups participated. The experience was such that we decided to attempt this once again and to link it to the new sophomore course.

The event will be held at Broad Street United Methodist Church on the corner of Broad and Washington in downtown Columbus. Because one aspect of the simulation is the recognition of how important reliable, affordable transportation is in getting and keeping a job, grade 10 students with adult chaperons will be shuttled to nearby COTA bus stops so they can ride the bus to the site. Because of the stops COTA buses make, it takes about 4 times as long to get to the site by COTA bus as it does by car.

Groups of students and adults will be leaving the school at staggered times. **Please see the back of this letter for your child's departure plans.* It is very important that each student is in Ms. Swinford's room (the designated meeting spot for all shifts) on time -- bus timetables are very unforgiving. **Also very important: each student must bring \$1.75 in quarters to school for bus fare.**

The simulation will run for approximately three hours, including orientation and debriefing, and will include a lunch prepared by Ms. Hamlar's advisory using a modified shelter kitchen menu. Students will return to CA via school bus in time for Club Fair activities.

It is our hope that this event will open eyes and start conversations. Some of those conversations will occur in the Ethics and Community course, but we hope they won't end there. Please talk with your sophomore about the poverty simulation and his/her own experience at home. With your support, we can make this significant experience the beginning of significant shifts in the school's exploration of the pressing issues of our time. Should you have any questions about the types of activity or site, feel free to contact Ms. Bening at Christy_Bening@ColumbusAcademy.org Questions about advisory composition or assignments should be directed to Ms. Sheri Dillon, Upper School Dean, 614.509.2277 or Sheri_Dillon@ColumbusAcademy.org

If you would like to participate or drive, please contact PACA representatives, Karen Skilken (kskilken@gmail.com) or Rebecca Shocket (RAShocket@aol.com).

We are looking forward to a fun and rewarding day.

Sincerely,

Cami Mampieri
Service Board Vice Pres.

Stephan Kim
Service Board Pres.

Christy Bening
Service Board Advisor

Broad Street UMC Phone: 614-221-4571
501 East Broad Street
Columbus, OH 43215-3822

Clothing: neat, modest, in good repair

Lunch: at site

Transportation: COTA bus to site/school bus return to CA

Because they participated in the Poverty Simulation last spring, some students will be participating in leadership roles. They will NOT travel with their advisory via COTA bus, but will be taken by car/school van to Broad Street UMC where they will serve as leaders. Since Ms. Swinford will be co- leading the simulation, her advisory has been dispersed throughout the other advisories.

Brooks/Simson/Cavnar

**Students MUST BE at CA: 7:55 AM
Ms. Swinford's room (A109)**

Please bring \$1.75 in QUARTERS for bus fare.

Dan Vorenberg to ferry students to GraceLand.

Students will depart from Graceland Shopping Center (8:44)

BUS directions: Take the #2 bus to Broad/High Streets. Cross intersection to State House and take #10 bus to EAST Broad/Washington Streets -- across from Art Museum. Group can walk to Broad/Washington -- it takes about 10 minutes. Entrance is on EAST side of church.

Bartholomew, Cory
Dreisbach, Mitchell
Guendert, Sarah
O'Hara, Kyle
Roger, Jackie
Uchimura, Benjamin
Valdman, Zachary
Vale, Sarah
Wood, Tyler
Woodward, Jullian

RETURN PLANS: Students to return via school bus. Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane, Dow to chaperon.

Brooks/SimsonCavnar to be driven back to Graceland by D. Daoud/S. Farrenkopf to pick-up cars.

Zive/Firouzian

**Students MUST BE at CA: 7:00 AM
Ms. Swinford's room (A109)**

Please bring \$1.75 in QUARTERS for bus fare.

Ms. Kennedy to drive to bus stop.

Students will depart from CVS corner of Morse/Cherry Bottom (7:23 AM)

BUS directions: Take the #95 bus to Morse/High Streets. Exit bus at Morse/High-Jeffrey. Take the #2 bus to Broad/High streets. Exit and cross intersection to State House and take #10 bus EAST to Broad/Washington Streets -- across from Art Museum. Group may choose to walk. It takes about 10 minutes. Church entrance on EAST side of building.

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Hughes, John
Lange, Catherine
Kennedy, Daniel
Khan, Shabaz
Morford, Annie
Mullin, Maria
Nick, Elliot
Razhavan, Gokul
Welkert, Katerina

RETURN PLANS: Zive/Firouzian to ride school bus back to CA.

Hamlar/Larson to drive back to CA and pick-up Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane at Academy Hall (west side). Hamlar/Larson to drive Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane to CVS to retrieve cars from AM drop-off.

Olexio/Crane

**Students MUST BE at CA: 7:30 AM
Ms. Swinford's Room (A 109)**

Please bring \$1.75 in QUARTERS for bus fare.

Ms. King will assist with ferrying students to CVS.

Students will depart from CVS corner Morse/CherryBottom (7:53).

BUS directions: Take the #95 bus to Morse/High Streets. Exit bus at Morse/High-Jeffrey. Take the #2 bus to Broad/High Streets. Exit and cross intersection to State House and take #10 bus EAST to Broad/Washington Streets -- across from Art Museum. Group may choose to walk. It takes about 10 minutes. Church entrance on EAST side of building.

Berliner, Paige
Byers, Cameron
Cookerly, Colton
Johnson-King, Brianna
Kharazi, Darius
King, Micah
Koerner, Gavin
Krumlauf, Tyler
Rackoff, Gavin
Theis, Rachel

RETURN PLANS: Olexio/Crane to ride school bus back to CA.

Hamlar/Larson to drive back to CA and pick-up Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane at Academy Hall (west side). Hamlar/Larson to drive Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane to CVS to retrieve cars from AM drop-off.

**Garita-Lacey/Falkenberg Students MUST BE at CA: 7:40 AM
Ms. Swinford's Room (A 109)**

Please bring \$1.75 in QUARTERS for bus fare.

Students will depart from North High/Morse (8:25).

BUS directions: Take the #2 bus to Broad/High Streets. Cross intersection to State House and take #10 bus to EAST Broad/Washington Streets -- across from Art Museum. Group can walk to Broad/Washington -- it takes about 10 minutes. Entrance is on EAST side of church.

Baliga, Anoop
Burns, Maddie
Hinson, Zach
Kellner, Carolina
King, Tom
Lockett, Brad
Mitchell, Haley
Montgomery, Turner
Petrie, Grace
Watters, Charlie

RETURN PLANS: Students to return via school bus. Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane, Dow to chaperon.

Garita-Lacey/Falkenberg to be driven back to Graceland by D. Daoud/S.Farrenkopf to pick-up cars.

Hamlar/Larson

**Students MUST BE at CA: 8:00 AM
Ms. Hamlar's office**

Students must meet at CA in Ms. Hamlar's office at 8 AM. Students will load Hamlar/Larson vehicles with lunch preparations from CA's kitchen. Students will travel via car to site where they will prepare lunch.

**After unloading food, Hamlar/Larson should park in State Auto lot across street.
(EAST of Church)**

Afzal, Shawn
Feteke, Ciara
Halsey, Caitlyn
Kaye, Abigail
Linkhorn, Jesse
Sims, Kelsey
Solomon, Robert
Zhang, Randy
Zhong, Connie

Return Plans: Students return via school bus. Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane to chaperon.

Hamlar/Larson to drive back to CA and pick-up Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane at Academy Hall (west side). Hamlar/Larson to drive Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane to CVS to retrieve cars from AM drop-off.

Jones/Gittins

**Students MUST BE at CA: 8:00 AM
Ms. Swinford's Room (A 109)**

Please bring \$1.75 in QUARTERS for bus fare.

Koerner to help ferry students to bus stop.

Students will depart from Graceland Shopping Center (8:48 AM)

BUS directions: Take the #2 bus to Broad/High Streets. Cross intersection to State House and take #10 bus to EAST Broad/Washington Streets -- across from Art Museum. Group can walk to Broad/Washington -- it takes about 10 minutes. Entrance is on EAST side of church.

Alexander, Evan
Bowman, Lindsey
Gittins, Courtney
Kohman, Tyler
Leathery, Anna
Ryan, James
Sheumaker, Isaac
Vallabhane, Meghana
Vodnick, Lauren
York, Spencer

RETURN PLANS: Students to return via school bus. Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane, Dow to chaperon.

Jones/Gittins to be driven back to Graceland by D. Daoud/S. Farrenkopf to pick-up cars.

MacElhiney/Dow

**Students MUST BE at CA: 7:50 AM
Ms. Swinford's Room (A 109)**

Please bring \$1.75 in QUARTERS for bus fare.

Ms. Schnitzer to drive to bus stop.

Students will depart from N.High/Morse Park and Ride (8:40 AM)

BUS directions: Take the #2 bus to Broad/High Streets. Cross intersection to State House and take #10 bus to EAST Broad/Washington Streets -- across from Art Museum. Group can walk to Broad/Washington -- it takes about 10 minutes. Entrance is on EAST side of church.

Berk, Max

Ho, Alex

Levine, Garrett

Littleton, Abby

McIntire, Kelsey

Ramaswamy, Rahul

Schnitzer, Griffin

Shepelak, Zachary

Sherman, India

Valeda, Allison

RETURN PLANS: Students to return via school bus. Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane, Dow to chaperon.

MacElhiney to be driven back to Graceland by D. Daoud/S. Farrenkopf to pick-up cars.

Reifies/Nelson

**Students MUST BE at CA: 7:40 AM
Ms. Swinford's Room (A 109)**

Please bring \$1.75 in QUARTERS for bus fare.

Ms. Cullen to drive to bus stop.

Students will depart from Graceland (8:30 AM).

BUS directions: Take the #2 bus to Broad/High Streets. Cross intersection to State House and take #10 bus to EAST Broad/Washington Streets -- across from Art Museum. Group can walk to Broad/Washington -- it takes about 10 minutes. Entrance is on EAST side of church.

Anders, Addison
Christiansen, Grace
Cullen, Lauren
Gurwin, Michael
Jung, Ryan
Korda, Brian
Lint, Jack
Seva, Luchianov
Nelson, Conner
Wise, Grayson

RETURN PLANS: Students to return via school bus. Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane, Dow to chaperon.

Reifeis/Nelson to be driven back to Graceland by D. Daoud/S. Farrenkopf to pick-up cars.

**Swinford/Khorrami/L. Swinford Students MUST BE at CA: 7:45 AM
(1 school van) Mr. Farrenkopf's room (A 105)**

Departure at 8:30 AM. Drivers will take students directly to Broad Street UMC. Students will watch A PAYCHECK AWAY and then depart for Broad Street.

- *Aziz, Aron
- *Patel, Nikhil
- *Stahl, Brianna
- *Firouzian, Dean
- *Lane, Lauren
- *Peck, Susan
- *Restrepo, Kat
- *Wexner, Hannah
- *Bailey, Bryce
- *Mampieri, Annie
- *Chen, Suesan
- *Schroeder, Jeremy
- *Sutton, Margaret
- *Vaziri, Charlotte
- *Daoud, Geroge
- *Khorrami, Kia
- *Kornberg, Jonathon
- *Tuckerman, Jake

RETURN PLANS: Students to return via school bus. Zive, Firouzian, Olexio, Crane, Dow to chaperon.

Swinford/Khorrami/Dell to remain at site for final clean-up and closing items.

STAFFING

Director: Dell

Social Services (2 caseworkers, 1 receptionist): Michelle Crane, Sheri Gittens, Dean Firouzian, Aron Aziz

Banker/Loan Collector: Beth Reifeis, Ryan Anzalone

Quik Cash Worker: Amy Brooks, Annie Mampieri

Community Action Staff: Cathy Falkenberg, Hannah Wexner

Supercenter Clerk: Shane MacElhiney, Jeremy Schroeder

Mortgage/Rent Collector: Craig Dow, Charlotte Vaziri

Pawnbroker: Chris Jones, Mark Morford

Police Officers: Cindy Zive, Kat Restrepo, Suesan Chen

Utility Collector: Geraldina Garrita-Lacey, Margaret Sutton

Illegal Activities: Stefan Farrenkopf, Jake Tuckerman

Schoolteachers: Shireen Firouzian, George Daoud, Bryce Bailey

Employer: Dan Olexio, Susan Peck

Childcare Worker: Debbie Daoud, Nikhil Patel

Inter-Faith Services Worker: Joyce Simson, Carlton Morris, Kia Khorrami

Parole Officer—M. Khorrami

Deputy: Jonathan Kornberg
Brianna Stahl

ER: Emily Daoud, Faith Christiansen, Vasudha Sadana

Ambulance: Nate Brown, Lauren Lane

Allison Martin, Brook Zhang, Anne Flaherty in simulation

At Large: Swinford

Lunch: Hamlar, Larson