

Congratulations to CCS middle school community service teams and project advisors for addressing important school and/or community needs. We encourage all students to continue “service above self” efforts in high school and throughout your lives.

Best wishes.

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**12th Annual**

**Student “Service Above Self”**

**Middle School Fair**

**March 15, 2017**

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**2017 Projects**

**Westmoor Middle School**

*Westmoor Eagles Soar Above the Influence*

Emphasizing the seriousness of drug and alcohol abuse in our community, as well as among some students’ families, through posters, an assembly with a Columbus Health Department representative, and a Parent Academy.

**Woodward Park Middle School**

*Favour’s Safety Challenge*

Promoting the importance of students walking safely to school including being attentive to traffic safety with the goal of preventing another tragic loss of a Woodward Park student.

**Yorktown Middle School**

*1-Yorktown Middle School Food Pantry*

Helping low income families by developing a school food pantry to collect and make food available for students and their families.

*2-Yorktown Middle School Gun Safety*

Enabling students to grow in leadership and service through involving students in learning about gun safety and working with the Franklin County Sheriff’s Department.



**Agenda**

11:45 pm Project display boards set up. Begin lunch.

12:00 pm Opening Remarks

Mr. Bob Kaynes, Columbus Rotary

Dr. Dan Good, CCS Superintendent & CEO

12:05 pm Exhibition of Community Service Projects

12:30 pm Student Presentations and Certificates

1:40 pm Closing

**2017 Projects**

**Sherwood Middle School**

*1-Sherwood Eagles Community Change Project, Part 1*

Supporting homeless families by marketing the needs to students and staff, collecting various donated supplies, giving the supplies to the YWCA Family Center, as well as organizing and leading an activity with families at the Center.

*2-Sherwood Eagles Community Change Project, Part 2*

Showing support and concern for sick children by visiting the Ronald McDonald House for orientation and then sharing needs with staff and students, collecting supplies for RMH, and baking treats for families at the House.

**South 7-12 School**

*Socially South*

Working peer-to-peer, students are helping each other understand the negative aspects of social media and then developing ways to use social media for the benefit of others and themselves.

**Starling PreK-8**

*1-Helping Hands-Working With West Central*

Working with West Central’s special needs students by involving them in Starling’s 6th grade P.E. classes so our 6th graders could serve as peer models and helpers.

*2-Operation Pilot Dog, Inc.*

Serving as assistants to Pilot Dogs by helping foster and train two dogs, Jacques Pierre and Sophie, for entering their program and becoming guide dogs for blind people.

**Wedgewood Middle School**

*Warriors for Peace*

Creating an environment where students feel safe and welcomed within and around our school by conducting WinterFair, and addressing issues such as gang prevention and “see something, say something.”

**2017 Projects**

**Johnson Park Middle School**

*JPMS Bringing Back The Pride*

Increasing feelings of pride about our school to positively impact honor roll, attendance, and behavior incidents as well as establishing a new club – Ladies of Excellence – that assisted with the project.

**Linden-McKinley STEM Academy**

*Panther Pen Pals*

Pairing up LMSA students with Linden community adults through letters and Facebook so students can dialogue with caring adults about how this year’s school shooting affected them, including their hopes and dreams.

**Medina Middle School**

*Make a Hand, Lend a Hand*

Providing lesson plans for teachers to teach “The Face of Poverty” (and two other related topics), making paper hands for the Bezos Family Foundation that financially supports Youth Programs in Nicaragua and Indonesia, and hosting a community food pantry.

**Mifflin Middle School**

*“Game Changers” Giving Life-Changing Perspectives*

Changing peoples’ views/perceptions of Mifflin MS and students’ views/perceptions of their community by collaborating with a local senior center, Meals on Wheels, and the VFW Shelter.

**Ridgeview Middle School**

*“Attacking Hunger, One Raider at a Time”*

Educating our school about children’s hunger issues in Central Ohio, conducting a student-body food drive, creating KIDS’PACKS for donation to the Mid-Ohio Foodbank, and volunteering at the Worthington Resource Pantry.

**2017 Projects**

Enhancing Lives In Our Schools and Communities – Local/Regional/International

**Arts Impact Middle School**

*Gun Violence in Our Schools: The Secondary Victims –*

*Our Community, Families & Students*

Confronting the reality that many students have had immediate family members or relatives experience gun violence and then using a variety of artistic-related formats to help secondary victims express feelings, understand gun violence complexities, and work on solutions.

**Berwick Alternative PreK-8**

*Power of Positivity*

Encouraging positive thinking, language, and behavior among the student body by building awareness of how personal and social media interactions can be constructive and not hurtful as well as building an overall enhanced school atmosphere.

**Buckeye Middle School**

*BMS Books for Buddies*

Creating student-written and illustrated books, with attention to Third Grade Reading Guarantee standards, to support Parsons Elementary School’s work in promoting a love for reading and building reading skills.

**Champion Middle School**

*Stop The Violence/”The Balance”*

Promoting peace and safety in our school and community through assemblies and other dialog with students, community leaders, and law enforcement addressing topics such as: a Peace Creed, gang violence, and Focus On Grief.

**Columbus Africentric Early College**

*Bed Brigade*

Working with Africentric HS students and the Bed Brigade organization to build 25 beds for children without a safe place to sleep.

**Columbus City Preparatory School for Boys**

*B.O.Y.S-Breathing Out Your Stress*

Teaching students deep breathing and yoga to assist with anger management and de-stressing in positive ways while demonstrating that mindfulness is a constructive way to “be.”

**Columbus City Preparatory School for Girls**

*Ending Child Slavery*

Informing ourselves and our school about people in impoverished countries selling their children into slavery and then conducting multiple activities to enable at least one family to be self-sustaining and protect their children.

**Columbus Gifted Academy**

*Gender Representation*

Analyzing the school’s library materials to determine if they are sufficiently inclusive of LGBT people and making recommendations for improvement, in addition to opening a school dialogue regarding gender pronouns and gendered language.

**Columbus Global Academy**

*1-Comfort to Carry*

Providing homeless people in our community with student-made, water-resistant, portable beds designed to help protect people sleeping outside from rain and snow.

*2-Penny Drive*

Supporting homeless people in our community by involving students and faculty in a Penny Drive resulting in the purchase of canned goods, in addition to food collected from students, and donation to a homeless shelter.

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**Columbus North International School**

*International Community Garden*

Partnering with a master gardener to plan a community garden that will serve as a monarch way station, build awareness of good nutrition, and serve as a source of healthy food for community people in need.

**Columbus Scioto 6-12**

*Bagz & Coatz 4 Starz*

Demonstrating concern and support for homeless youth by asking local businesses to donate so our team can acquire sleeping bags and coats for youth at the OSU Star House drop-in center.

**Dominion Middle School**

*Dominion Middle School – Value Diversity*

Emphasizing empathy and tolerance within our school to reinforce that diversity is a strength and a reality to be valued at a personal level as well as collaborating on breast cancer awareness, homelessness, and Black History Month.

**Hilltonia Middle School**

*Socks from Hawks*

Supporting Columbus students in transitional housing situations by collecting money and donating a variety of basic items to the YWCA Family Shelter to enhance self-esteem and confidence to attend school.

**Indianola Informal K-8**

*1-Toys for Kids*

Involving the student body, staff and parents in donating toys to support the Franklin County Children’s Services’ holiday opportunity for needy families to pick up Christmas gifts for their children.

*2-Food for Clintonville/Beechwold Community Resource Center*

Recognizing that too many families have inadequate food, we organized a class vs. class competitive food drive and donated the food to the C/BCRC food pantry.