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Hello Confluence Community,

Our commitment to supporting the whole child, and the families and communities we serve, remains steadfast. We know some families are facing food or financial challenges during this time. Please find a list of local [resources available throughout the St. Louis area here](#), or reach out to your school's main office for additional support.

As we work to support our families, the Wellness Committee is launching its Confluence Cares donation drive in partnership with The Little Bit Foundation. Through December 12, we're collecting hygiene products, clothing basics, winter gloves and more at each campus and the Resource Office. You can also order from the [Amazon Wishlist](#)—just note "Confluence Academies" on your order.

This past month has been filled with wonderful moments—from homecoming festivities and parent-teacher conferences to literacy celebrations and our athletes excelling in their

Thank you for your continued support of our scholars. We are proud to serve our students and families!

Warm Regards,

Linda DeJoie-Anderson
Student Recruitment & Community Outreach Coordinator

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CEO



Parent Resource Fair & Family Night



Thank you to all the Confluence families who joined us for our Parent Resource Fair & Family Night on October 15 at CPA! Families connected with community partners, enjoyed a delicious taco bar, and heard from Dr. Linda Peterson and Dr. Terrance Peterson with [Changes Therapeutic Services](#). Their presentation, *Helping Children Thrive: Supporting Growth Through Life's Challenges*, offered practical strategies to help children build resilience through stress and life changes. Childcare was also provided for attending families.

[>>Listen to our Confluence Conversations podcast with the Petersons here.](#)

Food and Assistance Resources

We know some of our families are facing food or financial challenges during this time. Please find a list of [local resources available throughout the St. Louis area to help with food, financial, and housing needs here.](#)

guidance.

Confluence Supports Sista Strut



Confluence Academies is proud to support Sista Strut and its mission to raise awareness about breast cancer's impact on women of color, promote early detection, and fund vital community resources. Through this annual walk, survivors and supporters come together to share hope, strength, and the importance of regular screenings that save lives. Thank you to everyone who came out to support!



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DONATION DRIVE
Confluence Academies and The Little Bit Foundation are partnering together to receive donations for our surrounding communities. Help make a difference by giving.

New Items Needed

- Shampoo (Travel & Regular)
- Conditioner (Travel & Regular)
- Body Wash
- Deodorant
- Lotion (Travel & Regular)
- Toothpaste (Travel & Regular)
- Toothbrushes
- Chapstick
- Socks - Youth Sizes
- Underwear - Youth Sizes
- Bras & Belts - All Sizes
- Youth Winter Gloves

**Confluence Academies
Nov 3rd - Dec 12th**

Drop off donations or shop the Little Bit Amazon Wishlist with option to ship directly to The Little Bit Foundation. Enter "Confluence" and your name in the Gift Receipt.

- SCA 3112 Meramec St., St. Louis, MO 63118
- SCA 4235 Compton Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63111
- GCAA 711 N Grand Blvd., St. Louis, MO 63103
- CPA 310 N 15th St., St. Louis, MO 63103
- ONA 3017 N 13th St., St. Louis, MO 63107
- Resource 319 N 4th St Ste 500, St. Louis, MO 63102

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Scan QR code to shop!



As we enter the season of giving and gratitude, the Wellness Committee is excited to launch our Confluence Cares partnership with The Little Bit Foundation. Through December 12, we're collecting hygiene products, clothing basics, socks, winter gloves, and other items. You can find donation drop-off stations at each campus and the Resource Office. You can also use our QR code to have items delivered from [the Amazon Wishlist](#) directly to the Little Bit Foundation. Please note "Confluence Academies" on your order.

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Chess Tournament for All Ages & Skill Levels

**4th Annual Legacy Institute Fall Chess
Tournament**

Saturdays, November 8 & 15

at CPA

Doors open at 9:45 AM



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SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2025
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2025

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TWO WEEK TOURNAMENT
NOVEMBER 8 & 15, 2025
Doors open at 9:30 a.m.
Continental Breakfast & Lunch
Confluence Preparatory Academy
310 N. 15th St, St. Louis, MO 63103

QR CODE

SIGN UP FOR THE LEGACY INSTITUTE FALL CHESS TOURNAMENT AT <https://www.legacyinstituteill.org/events>
LITTLE LEAGUE 7-10 YEAR OLD | JUNIOR VARSITY 11-13 YEAR OLD | VARSITY 14-18 YEAR OLD

exciting weekends of brainpower, strategy, and community.

Over \$1,000 in cash and prizes!

Divisions for all ages:

- Little League (5–10)
- Junior Variety (11–13)
- Variety Division (14–18)
- Adults (19+ bracket with cash prizes!)

Free breakfast and lunch for all players!

Gift cards, game cards, and trophies!

Whether you're a rising chess star or just love the game, this is your chance to be part of one of the biggest chess events in St. Louis!

Registration is FREE!

Confluence Preparatory Academy



CPA students attended the [7th Annual MGC Elevate Conference](#)—an event focused on healing, brotherhood, and the empowerment of young Black men, reminding them that true leadership begins from within.

Our Titans took part in powerful discussions on manhood, faith, and purpose that encouraged reflection and connection. We're proud of our students for representing Confluence with excellence and for embracing these opportunities for growth.



Students in CPA's Fashion Design Pathway are learning new sewing techniques and stitching their own emoji pillows! This hands-on program helps students build skills and confidence as they explore a future in fashion.



Homecoming Week was full of fun! Students and staff embraced EMO Day, Cozy & Coffee Day, and Dress Your Age Day. The week culminated in a spirited all-school event in the gym, led by our cheer team, featuring games like Don't Drop the Pizza, Roshambo Showdown, and a teacher-student Class Relay Race!

Grand Center Arts Academy



GCAA's Spirit Week and the Homecoming Dance were next level! GCAA students showed off their creativity and school spirit like only they can — from Cowboy Carter Day to Anything But a Backpack, Pajama Day, and That's So STL, the fits were on point all week. And when it came time for the dance, our students were dressed to impress and ready to have a blast!



The GCAA All-Band Concert featured incredible performances from our Symphonic Band, Concert Band, Jazz Ensemble, and Percussion Ensemble! Each group showcased how far our musicians have come this school year. A wonderful evening filled with beautiful music and lots of talent!



GCAA students rolled up their sleeves for Green Machine Harvest Day, where they enjoyed the lettuce they've been growing and even kicked off the pickle-making process!

Through our partnership with [Green St. Louis Machine](#), students are learning about food justice, sustainability, and urban agriculture — all while gaining hands-on experience in healthy food production. Green St. Louis Machine empowers youth through STEAM education and year-round aeroponic gardening programs that promote sustainable and healthy living in our communities.



time learning how to hang & focus stage lighting instruments, useful in every performing arts pathway!



We don't just have creative students — our staff exudes creative genius, too! Check out the trick-or-treat baskets they designed for the staff Halloween decorating contest!

Old North Academy



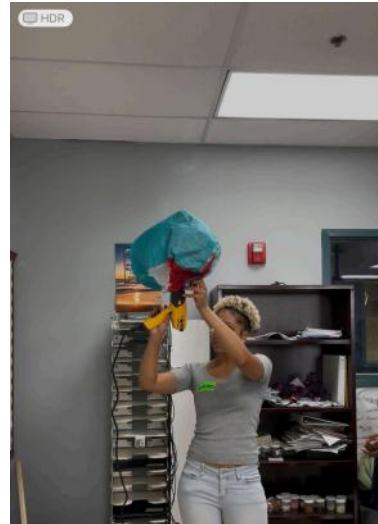
Congratulations to the Old North Volleyball Lady Comets! The team wrapped up their season with an impressive 6–3 record — the best in Old North history! Their hard work, teamwork, and dedication shined all season long. Way to go, Lady Comets!



Thank you to all of our Old North families who joined us at our Family Learning Workshop and Autumn Fest! Families connected with staff and participated in STEAM activities before heading to the gym to meet with partners and celebrate our amazing school community. We're so grateful to our partners — The Little Bit Foundation and HOME WORKS! — for joining us and supporting our families. We love our school community!



Old North's Pre-K through 2nd graders were all smiles when Delta Dental's The Land of Smiles stopped by Old North Academy. They learned why teeth are important, how to brush and floss, the benefits of healthy foods, and why regular dentist visits matter.



A huge shoutout to [The Little Bit Foundation!](#) They delivered an amazing STEM lesson where students crafted their very own miniature hot air balloon. Thank you for sparking creativity and curiosity in our classrooms!

Old North offers a great PBIS incentive—time in the Esports room! Students in grades 5-8 who demonstrate positive behavior and have two teacher recommendations can earn this special reward. This incentive takes place every other Friday and



South City Academy



Two South City Academy students were recognized by St. Louis Mayor Cara Spencer for their bravery after [helping stop a burglary at their favorite neighborhood ice cream shop](#). Fourth-grader Adonis Pickens and fifth-grader Jayceon Cooper were honored with Good Samaritan Awards for their quick thinking and courage. Watch their inspiring story on [Fox 2 News](#) and [KSDK News](#).



We're fostering a love of reading at South City Academy—from our youngest learners to our growing readers. Ms. Urch's third graders partnered with Ms. Holmes' Pre-K students as *Book Buddies*, and our third graders also took their love of reading on the road with a visit to the St. Louis Public Library. Students explored new books, learned about library resources, and can't wait to return for more reading adventures.

South City Compton students were treated to a live performance of *Carmela Full of Wishes* by the Metro Theater Company. The play shared a beautiful story about family,



Congratulations to our South City Academy Volleyball and Soccer Teams! We're so proud of our middle school athletes for their teamwork, leadership, and sportsmanship.

capped off a stellar season with a 6–1 record and won the Premier Charter Middle School Tournament Championship.

Way to go, Comets!



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