

# Monthly Service Board Highlights

Columbus Academy Service Department News & Upcoming Events • February 2023

## Upcoming Service Dates for 2023

Spring Blood Drive • April 11 from 8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

## 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. Scan the QR code below to see a list of accepted items and stop by the Clothing Exchange Closet (located on the first floor hallway near the Nurses' Office).



## 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! Deliveries to Faith Mission occur on the second Tuesday of each month with upcoming opportunities to prepare a snack/food for February, March, April and May. Please note that in the past we have had various parent and/or affinity groups help out by preparing food or actually delivering it to Faith Mission and serving to the clients. Contact [Beckie Hoagland](#) and [Matt McCue](#) for more details on how to sign up to provide food or help with delivery.



## Winter Blood Drive Recap

We had yet another fantastic turnout for our Blood Drive in January, as 51 donors stopped by the Athletic Lobby! A total of 48 units were collected, which included five power red blood cell procedures (10 units). According to Kristie Grogan, who is the American Red Cross account manager for Columbus Academy, these units have the potential to save 144 lives!



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## Bake 4 Good/Project Linus Service Day Recap

On Martin Luther King Jr. Day, upper school students gathered in our dining hall for the annual Bake 4 Good/Project Linus Service Day. A total of 920 bread rolls were made from scratch and donated to Faith Mission. Students also participated in making 100 squares in support of Project Linus, enough to make 15 blankets that will be given to Central Ohio residents in need. [Click here](#) to read a recap of the event written by senior Stephen M. of our student-led newspaper, *Academy Life*.



## Ongoing Support Needed for "Blessing Boxes"

Columbus Academy's student-run Service Board first built and installed "Blessing Boxes" around Gahanna during the 2020-21 school year. There are now three locations for the boxes! Our Service Board wanted to let Academy families know they are welcome to stock these boxes throughout the entire school year, as due to the economy items in these boxes are in high demand (i.e. - bottles of water, snack bars, single-serving mac & cheese, cereal). Plus 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](mailto:Rachael.Gorsuch) for questions about keeping the boxes stocked year round.

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