



CHARTER SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

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2021-22 School Year

Dear CSE Student and Family,

Welcome to the Charter School of Excellence! Thank you for choosing our school to educate your child. We are committed to our mission, vision, and values to ensure every child receives a quality education. The Charter School of Excellence (CSE) offers a safe and small learning environment with a community culture. The teachers and administrators are certified by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and each building has a caring and professional staff that is trained in pro-social interactions. The CSE is a non-profit public school that opened in 2003 serving middle school and high school students in the Erie area:

The Discovery Center
Middle School
1307 French Street

The Skills Center
High School
1309 French Street

The Leadership Center
High School
1511 Peach Street

As we prepare for a new school year, the CSE has developed a Health and Safety Plan that meets the obligations and requirements that adhere to the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) along with the guidance from the CDC and the local DOH. We are committed to providing a meaningful in-person education while also ensuring the safety and well-being of your child. The student bell schedule has remained the same for all students: 8:40am to 2:55pm. In addition to academics, we have enhanced the student services including social, emotional, and mental health supports will still be available in each building upon return. Each building Principal will be sending out the details for the new year that pertain to school expectations, the free breakfast and lunch program, and other school updates. Additionally, all CSE students are eligible for a Chromebook for daily school use. Below are some important updates:

- The Charter School of Excellence has launched a new website! New look but same web address: www.charterschoolofexcellence.org Please visit Parent Resources and News for updates.
- Back to School Picnic on August 19 from 11:30am to 2:30pm in the courtyard at Lovell Place
- Chromebook distribution starts on August 19 – please see the website for details and other dates
- Student schedules will be available on the Parent Portal on August 26 and at open house
- CSE Back to School Open House on August 26 from 2:00 to 6:00pm – in person at each location
- The first day of school is August 30 and the buildings open at 8:00am – universal masking for all

In addition to the Principal letter, the details on the above will be posted on the CSE website. Our teachers are accessible via email and all addresses are listed on the CSE website. You can also connect to the student information system for grades and attendance 24/7 via the PowerSchool Parent Portal.

I would like to welcome you to our school community and wish you a successful year! Please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions at 814-480-5954. On behalf of the Board of Directors and our staff, we thank you for choosing CSE!

Respectfully,

Dr. Renee Gordon
Chief Administrative Officer