



East Richland Christian Schools

Elementary #740-695-2005 * Middle School #740-695-2281 * High School #740-695-2279

Staff Changes for Next Year!

Juanita Roxby, our High School Guidance Counselor, will be retiring this year. As she follows God's lead into retirement, she will be missed and we wish her all the best! After much prayer and seeking the Lord's guidance, we will be replacing Mrs. Roxby with Mrs. Jennifer Gooch, our current fourth grade teacher. (see below) Shortly after this decision was confirmed, the Lord sent a young teacher, Casadie Dibetta to us to fill Jennifer's position. (see below) Please keep Jennifer and Casadie in prayer as they both prepare to follow the Lord with new responsibilities next year.

Jennifer Gooch

Jennifer Gooch is a devoted Christian educator and lifelong learner who is passionate about serving students and families through both education and faith. She earned her Bachelor's degree in Music Education from Youngstown State University and her Master's degree in School Counseling from Malone University.

Jennifer has spent her career serving in both public and private education, working with students from pre-kindergarten through 12th grade. Her experience includes teaching music, general education, and supporting students with disabilities. Most recently, she has served as our 4th-grade teacher and 5th-grade language arts instructor. Jennifer serves on the administration team, as a robotics instructor, and as a speech team instructor, and recently helped develop our new app. Through prayer and discernment, Jennifer felt God's calling to transition from the classroom into the role of school counselor. She is passionate about walking alongside students not only in their academic journeys but also in their emotional and spiritual growth, striving to be a source of encouragement, guidance, and Christ-like compassion.

Jennifer is married to Dr. Christopher Gooch, who leads the new Trinity Emergency Department in St. Clairsville. They are the proud parents of Charlie, a soon-to-be sophomore, and Caleb George, a soon-to-be 8th grader. Together, they value faith, family, and serving others. In her free time, Jennifer enjoys reading, cuddling with her dogs Zoey, Bailey, and Milli, playing the French horn, and deepening her knowledge of education and her walk with the Lord.

Casadie Dibetta

Casadie Dibetta will be graduating from Ohio University Athens this weekend to receive her bachelor's in Early Childhood Education and Elementary Topics with a minor in Coaching Education. She was blessed to be on the OU Dean's List all four years. She swam on the OU swim team all four years receiving the MVP Award in 2024, and many additional awards and honors. She also received the ALL MAC Team all four years.

She has been actively involved in education for the past three years, observing, teaching and mentoring students in the classroom grades preschool through fifth. She has experience working in regular classrooms with a wide spectrum of needs including IEPs, 504 Plans, and strong personalities to name a few.

She loves staying active by hiking, running, puzzling, lifting, and playing pickleball. Casadie shares, "I am passionate about spreading God's love, and I can't wait to help all students grow academically and spiritually."

Casadie will be at the school in the month of May to meet our staff and students. She will be spending time with Mrs. Gooch and her classes to get to know the students and better prepare for next year. She will also be spending some time in our third grade classes to meet the students so that they can get to know her. She would like to begin to build a rapport with the students to have a good start to the new school year. Casadie would also like to set up a time while at the school in the month of May to have a meet and greet with the current third and fourth grade parents. More information will come on that date and time.



Important Upcoming Dates:

May 4-8 — Senior Class Mission Trip
May 8 — MS Underground Railroad Trip
May 8 — 7-12 Game Night
May 12 — 2nd/3rd Meadowcroft Trip
May 14 — PS3 Park Field Trip
May 15 — 1st Grade Oglebay Zoo Trip
May 15 — 7-12 Belmont College Trip
May 15 — Kindergarten Screening
May 18 — Kindergarten Graduation
May 19 — 8th Graduation/Jr High awards
May 20 — PS4 Vet & Park Field Trip
May 21 — Last Day of School
May 23 — Senior Graduation at 1 pm

Open Enrollment:

Open enrollment for the 2026-2027 year is underway and the enrollment fee is \$100. Some of our classes are full, so it is very important that you get your students' seats reserved as soon as possible. If you have any questions about enrollment, contact Lindsay in the main office, 740-695-2005.



Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always. Remember the wonders he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he pronounced.

1 Chronicles 16:11-12

Finance Reminders:

As the end of the year is quickly approaching, please be sure to check your FACTS account regularly and stay current on your field trip and lunch charges. Please remember that end-of-the-year report cards will not be sent until all charges for this year are paid in full. Thank you!