

**OPTIONS WEEKLY**

Dear Parent or Guardian:

It is with great pride and excitement that I write this letter of introduction to you as the newly appointed Principal of Carmel Options Charter School. I possess over eleven years of educational experience spanning grades 6-12 with a specific concentration in language arts, business education, and mathematics. My most recent administrative experience has been with the Crossing Education Center as Regional Administrator and Curriculum Coordinator. I am elated to bring my skills as an educational leader to your son/daughter's school and to work with you as a partner in education to ensure your child's success.

Along with staff, I will work hard to continue the legacy of success established at Options by building strong relationships with parents, students, staff, and community partners. As I adapt to my new role, I would like to focus on character education initiatives, 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills, fostering a nurturing safe environment for students, use of data to inform instruction, consistent implementation of newly adopted direct instruction strategies to increase students' achievement, and providing exciting and challenging enrichment opportunities for all students. I anticipate a most successful year as my team and I support the academic, social, and emotional growth of your child here at Options..

During the course of the year, it is my hope that we will work together to provide the students of Options the best possible opportunities in preparing them to be world class citizens ready to master the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century with a solid foundation created here at our school. As Principal, my door is always open and I welcome your input. Please feel free to stop in or call to make an appointment to discuss any concerns, suggestions, or ideas to help make this the best year yet!

In partnership,

**Camille S Scott**

Principal

**Student Clubs:**  
**Tuesdays— Games Club**  
**3:00-4:30pm**  
**Thursdays—Chess Club**  
**3:00-4:00pm**

**Teacher Appreciation**

**Volunteer Link:**

[www.volunteerspot.com/  
login/entry/367203048046](http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/367203048046)

**FEBRUARY DATES:**

**29th—Leap Year**



**Camille S. Scott**

**Carmel Options**

**Principal**

**Starting**

**Monday, February 29th**

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**Abdullah Aldermaki is February's Student of the Month**

**Questions/comments? mwalden@optionsined.org or call (317) 815-2098**



**Would you be willing to donate gift cards from area fast food and gas stations to help reward students for keeping up with their school work?**

**We are checking grades every Friday and students passing all classes earn a ticket into our monthly drawing. We'd love to have lots of prizes to give away at the end of the month. Please no more than \$5 each.**

**Thank you! You can drop prizes off to Krysti at the front desk.**

### **Jeff Medley—Science Specialist**

This week in science. Biology is starting our unit on evolution and natural selection. We will be discussing the ideas of Charles Darwin and his theory of evolution. ICP is on Chapter 6 compounds and molecules. We have been spending a lot of time learning how we name various types of compounds. Earth Space science is continuing volcanoes and will be making the classic paper mache volcano next week. Anatomy student are studying the muscular system. Zoology students are beginning the unit on arthropods. They will be working with live crayfish next week.

### **Gretchen Taylor—English Specialist**

#### **STUDENT GOVERNMENT:**

During a town hall meeting today, Michelle Walden asked any student in the school that has ideas about how to improve the school to bring them to student government. Student government is currently polling the students during advising classes to find out which school improvement ideas are the most important to them. When the student government finishes their polls, they will present the ideas that the students are the most interested in to the principal.