

## COLUMBIA COMMUNITY EDUCATION



*"Message from the Director"*  
– Mr. Ralph Piepkow

- What is Columbia Community Education?
- We are an Alternative High School for students between the ages 14 and 20. There are 85 students presently enrolled in our program.
- We are the only active Adult Education Program in Jackson County. This program is for students over 20 years in age who are seeking a high school diploma and/or G.E.D.
- We offer enrichment and recreational activities to our students and members of our communities. These activities include social dance class for couples, karate, spanish classes, yoga, open basketball, youth basketball, volleyball and soccer.
- We also schedule five school sites for community use. There will be over 100 groups or individuals using the schools this year.

If you, your child, or someone you know can benefit from one of our many programs, do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you for your continued support. Yours for a better community!

Columbia Community Education

### Spring Soccer 2008

Preschool - 8th Grade



**Please register by  
March 26, 2008**

*Mark  
your calendar!!!*

#### COLUMBIA ADULT EDUCATION *Classes begin January 21, 2008*

Class times available are  
8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. or 5 – 9 p.m.  
@ Columbia Community Education

**To register or receive more information,  
please call CCE @ 529-9400**

The following classes are available:

##### MATH

Building Better Math Skills  
General Math I and II  
Pre-Algebra I and II  
Math for the World of Work  
Transition Math I and II  
Personal Finance  
Business Math

##### SCIENCE

Earth Science I and II  
Life Science  
Biology I and II  
Physical Science I and II

##### ENGLISH

Reading Improvement I and II  
Short Stories I and II  
Practical Reading  
Writing Skills I and II  
American Literature I and II

##### SOCIAL STUDIES

World Geography  
U.S. History I and II  
Government  
Civics  
World History I and II

Computer  
Health I and II

##### GED PREP

Classes are free to residents of Columbia School District that need a High School diploma!

\*NOTE: For all non-residents and High School students the cost is \$100.00 per class

## SUMMER SCHOOL NEWS

Need to make up a class before June graduation?  
Check this out: New times, Early Session!!!

Columbia Community Education is changing the dates of our 2008 Summer School program to better serve our high school students.

The First Session will have *evening* hours 4:15 'til 9:00 p.m. and will start May 12 and run through May 30.

We will have No School on May 26 (Memorial Day) and May 29 (Options Graduation).

The Second Session will have *morning* hours 8:00 a.m. 'til 12:00 p.m. and will start on June 9 and run through June 27.

A student may take only one (1) class, .50 credit, per session.

- Grades will be FAXED to participating school counselors on May 30 and on June 27, 2008.
- Classes will again cost \$110 per class and payment will have to be made by the first day of class for that session.
- Checks can be made out to: Columbia Community Education
- Registration forms will be sent out to schools after April 7, 2008.

**ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL 517-529-9400**

### OPTIONS HIGH SCHOOL

This program is available to youth, ages 14 through 20 who have had problems with their high school and need a positive change to obtain their high school diploma. Individual instruction is available within a positive atmosphere. Emphasis is on the students to motivate themselves to achieve positive educational objectives.

This program is also available to teenage mothers. Childcare is free during class time. This program is available to students from surrounding school districts. Call Ralph Piepkow to get more information on this unique high school program at 529-9400.

**Don't be a dropout.  
Go to Columbia Options!**

### *Search for Instructors for Community Enrichment Classes*

If you have a hobby or a skill you would like to share with others, please contact Columbia Community Education. We will offer a class to the community and you could be the instructor. Please contact Ralph Piepkow @ 529-9400 to share your expertise with others.



### PHOTOGRAPH/VIDEOTAPE DENIAL

If you **do not want** your child's image and/or schoolwork products to be photographed or videotaped as part of an educational program used by the district or used in publications by your school building, in the district publications (Torchbearer and District Calendar), this includes publishing their name on the Honor Roll in local newspapers, please complete and sign this form and return to your child's school office.

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*Signature of Parent*

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*Contact number for verification*

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*(List students name, grade & school building)*

### INTRODUCTION OF NEW TEACHING STAFF

**Mr. Eric Kelly**  
Resource Room at MES



We are welcoming back Mr. Kelly to our teaching staff. He and his wife Kelly taught music at both of our elementary buildings for several years. He received his degree from Metropolitan State University in Colorado and his Masters Degree from Marygrove College.



**Ms. Amanda Keinath**  
Resource Room at CCHS

Ms. Keinath received her degree from Olivet College and holds a Business Administration Degree as well as a Learning Disability Endorsement from Spring Arbor University. She held a long-term substitute teaching position at the Jackson Career Center.

**Mr. Mark Schmidt**  
Resource Room at BES and Alternative High School at CCE



Mr. Schmidt received his degree from Spring Arbor University and holds a Learning Disabilities Endorsement. He is a proud graduate of Columbia School District and we are proud to welcome him back as a teacher.



**Ms. Jamie Shepherd**  
Math Teacher at CCHS

Ms. Shepherd received her degree from Eastern Michigan University and taught math at Tecumseh High School. She has been a tutor and help chaperoned school activities.

**Mr. Josh Kubiak**  
Math/Computer Science Teacher at Alternative High School at CCE



Mr. Kubiak received his teaching certification from Olivet College. He worked for Columbia School District as a substitute teacher primarily working with our students at the Alternative High School. His past experience with the students should ease his transition into the teaching assignment.