



# NANA NEWS

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### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Neighbors,  
NANA is at a crossroad. The financial future of your neighborhood association will most likely change dramatically in 2010, and not for the better. A major source of funding that NANA has relied upon for years is very much in doubt; that is, the NSP funding that ultimately comes from the City of Cincinnati. The Executive Board is currently looking closely at NANA's finances, and will take whatever steps are necessary to both represent our neighborhood and meet our financial commitments. We will keep you apprised of your neighborhood association's financial status. One of the steps we are taking immediately is to mail as few of these newsletters as possible – it costs approximately \$1,000 to produce and mail each issue of the newsletter. I am therefore asking you to let us know your email address, so that we can transmit this electronically, so that we save the cost of printing and mailing each issue. An additional benefit is to help decrease our carbon footprint associated with the production of a hard copy. Each newsletter, along with a great deal of additional information, is available on the NANA website. As NANA faces limited financial resources, it is more important than ever for each of you to step up and become an active part of NANA.

**NANA is not me, or any other (or all the other) members of the Executive Board – NANA is you, and how NANA looks, the function it serves in the coming years, is up to you.**

*Frank Newbauer*

### CITIZEN'S ON PATROL UNITE

By Michelle Baxter

A fun ice cream social event was hosted in Seasongood Park on Thursday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009. **KUDOS to Ben Blaney , a coordinator for North Avondale Citizen's On Patrol who organized a successful COPP recruitment to encourage and motivate volunteers to join COPP!** Ben Blaney and Dirk Pastoor have been instrumental in their leadership for the NA COPP by conducting monthly meetings, and raising awareness to express the need for volunteers to patrol their neighborhood. Citizen's On Patrol enhances the quality of life and safety within communities. North Avondale and Bond Hill had a successful impact on the community. Together they spread the message that Citizen's on Patrol has made a small impact, while on directed patrol in deterring crime in "hot spot" areas within the community. Residents no longer feel alone in dealing with the everyday threat of criminal activities within the neighborhood. Neighbors support COP by coming out of their homes to wave and cars passing by honk their horns to show their support and appreciation. There were 10 out of 20 active COP members that attended the North Avondale Night Out. There were over 40 residents that came out to show their support and appreciation. ***A special thanks to the following COPP members who volunteered and were able to attend this event:*** Hal Bernstein, Robert Cannon, Mary Lewis, and Anna Walker residents and active members of Bond Hill, since 1997; Michelle & Darren Baxter, Ben Blaney, Kathy and Tsvi Boniface, Linda and Michael Hill, Robin Kowalski, Richard Turner, Buzz Scannella residents and active members of North Avondale, since 2006. The following North Avondale active COPP were not able to attend but are recognized for their monthly commitment for walking on patrol: Shelia Boniface, Laurie Davis, Carolyn Gillman, Pickett Harrington, Duane Keller, Kenny Noyes, Dirk Pastoor, Bobbie Paul, Joyce Turner, and Rosalie van Nuis. A special thanks to The North Avondale Neighborhood Association who solicited and picked up the ice cream for the event. A special thanks to United Dairy Farmers

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**NANA General Meetings  
North Avondale Recreation Center  
617 Clinton Springs  
Tuesday, September 8, 7:00 p.m.**

#### AGENDA

**COMMUNITY PROSECUTION SECTION CITY SOLICITOR FOR DISTRICT 4 THOMAS BERIDON (SEE ARTICLE PG 5)**



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for donating hundreds of individual cups of assorted flavors. A special thanks to Captain Eliot Isaac, Lieutenant Randy Webb and several officers of District 4 that came out to show their appreciation and support to the dedicated COPP volunteers.

### **History of Citizens on Patrol:**

First deployed in 1997 in three test neighborhoods the program has expanded into 24 of the city's 52 neighborhoods with an additional unit patrolling City Parks. Volunteers patrol their neighborhoods, acting as the eyes and ears of the police. Patrols concentrate around problem areas aiding the police by increasing visibility. COPP units deter crime by their mere presence and visibility to the general public. Using police radios and cell phones team members are able to communicate directly with officers and report crimes in progress. Much of the COPP units function however, is the reporting of quality of life issues. By locating and reporting issues that contribute to criminal activity, these teams are able to fix the proverbial "Broken Window." All members have completed a basic class with twelve hours of class training, an 8 hour ride-a-long with a police officer and attend additional ongoing training throughout the year. Additional training is involved for being certified for driving a Citizen's on Patrol vehicle. For more information on joining the North Avondale COPP, please contact the membership coordinator, Carolyn Gillman at 284-2298 or [Princess.Davis@cincinnati-oh.gov](mailto:Princess.Davis@cincinnati-oh.gov).



## YOUR NEIGHBORS

☞ **Andrea Cheng's** (Red Bud) new book, *BRUSHING MOM'S HAIR*, is here! It is a series of poems from the point of view of her then 14 year old daughter when she was going through treatment for breast cancer. Also, *HONEYSUCKLE HOUSE* is now available in paperback, and *MARIKA* has been reprinted in hardback. Her revamped web site is now up at [www.andreacheng.com](http://www.andreacheng.com).

☞ **Fanchon Shur** (Red Bud) performed *Shaking Our Lives* for the Essential Tremor Association at Sycamore Hospital Kettering Medical Center. *Shaking Our Lives*, is a humorous dance which is meant to ignite all our joyous impulses and bring the tremor community together. This dance is not only joyous, it taps that deep place within us as we courageously find ways to carry a hot cup of coffee, sign our name and make our movements graceful. For more information about how you can become involved with *Shaking Our Lives*, e-mail us at [info@growthinmotion.org](mailto:info@growthinmotion.org).

☞ Cincinnati Diamonds girls softball team ended the season with a 7-2 record. They had a great season and hope more girls come out for the team next year.



## IN MEMORIAM

☞ **Robert (Bob) E. Wilder Sr.** (Rose Hill) Beloved husband of Gwendolyn (Gwen), devoted father of Cheryl F. Wilder, and Robert E. Wilder Jr (Tysha), and a host of other relatives and many friends. Passed away August 13, age 73. He was a warm-hearted, generous man, and a good neighbor.



## HAVE FUN WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS

☞ The members of the Rhine String Quartet would like to announce their recent appointment as Quartet in Residence at Northern Kentucky University. The members of the quartet are all Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra musicians: **Cathy Lange-Jensen (Betula)**, Kun Dong, Joanne Wojtowicz and Alan Rafferty. "We would like to invite all of our friends, neighbors and music lovers to our premiere concert featuring the music of Mozart, Brahms and Wolf. The premiere concert will be **Saturday, Sept. 19th, 8pm** at the Fine Arts Center, Greaves Concert Hall on the NKU campus. Tickets are \$10 at the door which will benefit the NKU music department. As quartet in residence our goal is to bring world class performances and a broad range of experiences to the students at NKU and to the Greater Cincinnati area. As faculty members we will work closely with the students who will receive high level instruction through private lessons, coaching, master classes, chamber and orchestral music and community outreach. It is our desire to bring greater awareness and excellence to the NKU music and string program. Please come and support us by your attendance and tell a friend!"

☞ **SAVE THE DATE- FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2009** - **Petra van Nuis**, (formerly **Burton Woods & mother Rosalie still lives there**) and **Andy Brown** at the **Blue Wisp**

Returning to Cincinnati from Chicago, Jazz singer, Petra van Nuis (NANA shows, New School, SCPA and CCM alum) and her husband, jazz guitarist, Andy Brown (SCPA and CCM alum), and bassist, Joe Policastro (CCM alum), joined by Dayton drummer, Jim Leslie, to appear at: The Blue Wisp Friday, November 27, 2010 (the day after Thanksgiving) 8:30 P.M. -11:30 P.M., 318 E. 8th Street, 241-WISP, [www.thebluewisp.com](http://www.thebluewisp.com). Check out their websites: [www.petrasings.com](http://www.petrasings.com), [www.andybrownguitar.com](http://www.andybrownguitar.com)

☞ **Clinton Hills Swim Club** (Clinton Springs) wrapped up the 2009 season with its traditional end-of-summer party with the Modulators and the annual Doggy Swim on Labor Day. Despite cooler-than-average weather, it was a great summer at the pool. The Dolphins swim team had a successful season and members enjoyed swim and tennis lessons, weekly volleyball matches, adult nights, a newly resurfaced pool and tennis courts, and lots of poolside fun. For those neighbors who aren't members, please check us out at [www.clintonhills.com](http://www.clintonhills.com). We look forward to seeing everyone Memorial Day 2010!

☞ **Candidate Forum September 30**

Invest in Neighborhoods will host a forum for candidates for Mayor and City Council, with a focus on neighborhood issues, at **7 pm, Wednesday, Sept. 30** at the Cintas Center on Xavier University's campus. Most community councils are participating everyone is welcome.

## 2009 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION OR RENEWAL

Mr. Mrs. Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ name \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

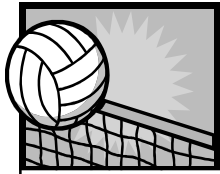
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Annual Dues \$100  \$50  \$25  \$10  \$5  or \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you! Please make your check payable to NANA.

Send Checks to the NANA Office 617 Clinton Springs, 45229

**Pay your NANA Dues Today!**



**NORTH AVONDALE  
617 Clinton Springs  
961.1584**

northavondale@cincinnati-oh.gov

**Hours of operation: Monday & Wednesday 10AM - 8 PM;  
Tuesday & Thursday 12 - 8 PM; Friday 10 AM - 6 PM**  
*Participants must have a membership to the center to participate (Adults \$15; Youth, Teens and Seniors \$5)*

**AFTERSCHOOL DAY CAMP** M-F 2:15 - 6 pm (\$130/  
month/child)

**BRIDGE GAP PROGRAM** M-F 2:15 - 4:30 pm (\$85/  
month/child)

**YOUTH Drop-In Hours: Monday - Friday (8-12 years)** M-  
Th 3 PM-4:30 pm

- Art & Crafts Th (4th & 5th grade) F 4th - 6th grade 3:30-4:30 pm
- Basketball Classes:
  - 5-7 year olds T & Th 4:30- 5:30 pm - Fee is \$20 (9/8-9/15)
  - 3rd & 4th Grades MW & F 4:30-5:30 pm - Fee is \$30 (9/9-9/16)
  - 5th -6th Grade MW & F 5:30-6:30 pm - Fee is \$30 (9/9-9/16)

\*Basketball League registration is tentatively set for Wed. October 14th at 6 PM.

- \*Boy's Club (boys-ages 11-14 ) F 3:30-4:30 pm
- Boy's & Girl's Club (ages 11-12 ) Th 3:30 - 4:30 pm
- Flag Football (3-6th grades) M & F 3:30 - 4:30
- Flag Football (1st & 2nd grades) W 3:30 - 4:30
- \*Girl's Club (girls-ages 11-14 ) M 3:30 - 4:30 pm
- Homework Club (not tutoring) M-F 3:30 - 4:30 pm
- Movies F 3:30 to end of movie
- Soccer Tues practice, Thursday games. 3:30 - 4:30 (maybe 5pm.if off site)

TEENS: ( 13-17 years)

- \*Boy's Club (boys-ages 11-14 ) F 3:30 - 4:30 pm
- \*Girl's Club (girls-ages 11-14 ) M 3:30 - 4:30 pm
- Teen Gym M & W 6-8 pm
- Teen Lounge M-Th 6 - 8pm

\*Field trips to be announced-must have permission slip may extend past 4:30 and may have additional cost.

**ADULTS & SENIORS: (18 and older)**

- Line Dancing M & W 10 -11:30 AM
- Yoga M & W 6 - 7 pm
- SENIOR CLASSICS F 10am - 12 pm
- Weight Room M & W - 10 am-8 pm T & Th - 12 to 8 , F 10 to 6, Sa - 12-2 (\$10 Per quarter)

Unless indicated, activities are free with your current Center Membership.

*Julie Fatora*



**NORTH AVONDALE MONTESSORI**

●363.3900 ● 876 Glenwood

● www.namrockets.org

Are you looking for a preschool/elementary school for your child? Montessori education engages all of a child's senses in learning, and emphasizes organization, and self-directed learning. After school programs include music, dance, and the award winning "Ropin' Rockets" jump rope team to name a few. Natural light will flood the new building. "Slow-flow" ventilation will provide extremely fresh air without draftiness. Children's art will fill the spacious main entrance. A science lab will use vegetation on a "green roof" to conserve energy. If this description of a school would work for your child here is **IMPORTANT NEWS: If you want to sign up your child to attend NAM for the 2010 school year, you can do this next to the construction site, inside the Cincinnati Recreation Center building at 617 Clinton Springs. The exact date in November for the Magnet School Sign Up will be published on a sign outside of the Recreation Center.**

*Carmen Hull Principal*

**For NAM Building Plans See Pages 8 & 9**

**NEW SCHOOL MONTESSORI**

●281.7999 ● 3 Burton Woods Lane

●www.thenewschool.cc

Our school began nearly 40 years ago as a community project bringing Dr. Maria Montessori's holistic method of education to life in the Cincinnati area. It was truly a grassroots effort led by parents, teachers and community members who gave a great deal of their time to launch the school. Ahead of the trend, and as a service to the community, the founders addressed needs of working parents by offering full day and extended day services at a time when many schools did not. Back then and still today we continue to serve the community by sharing our facility with groups in the neighborhood and throughout greater Cincinnati. We are proud to host the Clinton Hills Swim Club's September 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

As our name encourages us to do, we continue to look at innovations in research and education so that we can continue expanding the hearts and minds of our children and community. The New School Montessori is a school of notoriety in the independent school arena and one that our community can be proud of. We look forward to continuing to serve both TNSM's 150 students and our neighborhood community long into the future.

*Ann Baumgardner Development/Marketing Director*



## CITY PROSECUTOR ASSIGNED TO DISTRICT 4

Beginning the first week of September, the City of Cincinnati's Solicitor's Officer will launch a new section of the Law Department - the Community Prosecution Section. The goal of the new Section is to help remove blight in our neighborhood and all the other neighborhoods in District 4 and to provide neighborhood support. Thomas Beridon who has over ten years experience dealing with criminal and civil matters as an Assistant City Solicitor is anxious to work with us to find creative solutions for some of our issues that North Avondale faces.

**He will attend the September 8<sup>th</sup> NANA General Meeting at 7:00pm.**

## IMPORTANT CITY NUMBERS

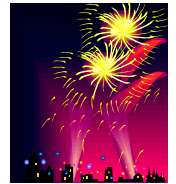
City Complaint/Request Hotline \_\_\_\_\_ 591.6000  
Police District 4 \_\_\_\_\_ 569.8600  
Paul Graves Neighborhood Officer: \_\_\_\_\_ 569.8654  
\_\_\_\_\_ [Paul.Graves@cincinnati-oh.gov](mailto:Paul.Graves@cincinnati-oh.gov)  
Nonemergency Police \_\_\_\_\_ 765.1212  
To just make a crime report (no police visit) \_\_\_\_\_ 352.2960  
Request A Recycling Bin \_\_\_\_\_ 242.4600  
Report Air Odors 24/7 \_\_\_\_\_ 946.7777  
To learn about Crime in Cincinnati visit: [Crimereports.com](http://Crimereports.com)  
Track property code violations: <http://cagisperm.hamilton-co.org/cpop/>

## NANA EXECUTIVE BOARD, COMMITTEE CHAIRS

President: Frank Newbauer _____	751.5897	Legal Chairperson:	
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2 <sup>nd</sup> VP: Fred Fegan _____	861.8378	Neighborhood Issues: John Jones _____	281.2596
3 <sup>rd</sup> VP: Pickett Harrington _____	784-1296	Welcome: Grace Hill _____	<a href="mailto:gracehill@fuse.net">gracehill@fuse.net</a>
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Treasurer: Curtis Arthur _____	967.3619		
Beautification: Ursula Hassel _____	751.4546		
Rental Housing: Pauline Daly _____	751.8334		

## NANA CALENDAR

- **Tuesday, September 8, NANA General Meeting, 7:00pm** North Avondale Recreation Center, 617 Clinton Springs
- Wednesday, September 23, District 4 Resource Meeting, 6:30 pm Police Station, 4150 Reading Rd.
- Wednesday, September 30, Invest in Neighborhoods will host a forum for candidates for Mayor and City Council, with a focus on neighborhood issues, at 7 pm, at the Cintas Center on Xavier University's campus
- First Thursday of each month October 1, at 1:30pm, **Rental Housing Meeting**, District 4 Police Station 4150 Reading Rd.
- **Tuesday, October 13, NANA General Meeting**, Speakers on Voting Political Issues 7:00 pm North Avondale Recreation Center, 917 Clinton Springs



This NANA NEWS was sent out by email as most of our future newsletters will be. During this transition, please ask your neighbors if they received this newsletter. If they have not, please ask them to email NANA at [clmorse@fuse.net](mailto:clmorse@fuse.net) and I will email them one. If they don't have email, this newsletter is posted on our website at [www.northavondalecincinnati.com](http://www.northavondalecincinnati.com) as a pdf. If they have neither please print a copy for them. Thank you.

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617 Clinton Springs Ave.  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45229-1324

# WOULD YOU LIKE A FREE TREE??????

## CINCINNATI PARK BOARD FALL RELEAF PROGRAM 2009



### TO QUALIFY:

1. **Property must be in the City of Cincinnati.**
2. **Trees must be planted within 30 ft of the right-of-way and visible from the street.** Planting between the street and sidewalk and in backyards is not acceptable.
3. **Plant the right tree in the right place.** Please consider the mature size of the tree. Be aware of any obstructions from wires, utilities, or other structures.

A high priority is given to planting trees on private property along streets the Park Board cannot plant due to narrow right-of-ways. The Park Board encourages such streets to coordinate delivery and planting for interested property owners.

Other priority areas include community focal points such as entranceways, street triangles, areas near street intersections, and public frontages along major streets.

Forestry staff will inspect each planting location before approving tree requests, and will inspect locations after planting to ensure guidelines are followed.

### Free Tree From Fall ReLeaf 2009 Request Form

Community: \_\_\_\_\_

Planting Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #:(work) \_\_\_\_\_

(home) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Person(s) Planting Trees: \_\_\_\_\_

**FREE TREE REQUEST:** Please describe the planting site below. Attach any plans or maps that provide specific planting locations. Urban Forestry staff will inspect all planting sites before approving tree requests, and will inspect afterward to ensure that the trees are planted in accordance to guidelines.

**NOTE:** Trees must be planted within 30 ft of the sidewalk and visible from the street.

*Depending upon demand Urban Forestry may limit number of trees to one per site or substitute species.*

**Planting Site Description:** (\*\*Please attach map)

**Planting Site Description:**

TREE SIZE	SPECIES	REQUEST
Small	Star magnolia <i>Magnolia stellata</i>	
Small	Kousa dogwood <i>Cornus kousa</i>	
Small	Cockspur hawthorn <i>Crataegus crusgalli</i>	
Medium	Yoshino cherry <i>Prunus x yedoensis</i>	
Large	Nuttall oak <i>Quercus nuttallii</i>	
Large	Red Sunset maple <i>Acer rubrum</i> 'Red Sunset'	

Please return this form by September 25, 2009  
Tree confirmation letter to be sent by October 9.

To: Fall RELEAF • 3215 Reading Road • Cincinnati, OH 45229 • Fax: 861-8669  
• Email: urban.forestry@cincinnati-oh.gov

### **FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Site Inspected: \_\_\_\_\_

Site Comments:

## TREE SELECTION



**Cocksbur Hawthorn**  
*Crataegus crus-galli*  
**Height:** 15-20 ft  
**Spread:** 20-25ft  
**Light Requirements:** full sun  
**Flower:** White, mid-May  
**Growth Rate:** medium  
**Special Notes:** Flaky bark and Persistent red berries provide winter interest. Strong horizontal growth habit.



**Star Magnolia**  
*Magnolia stellata*  
**Height and Spread:** 20-25 ft  
**Flowers:** White, early spring  
**Light Requirements:** Part shade to full sun  
**Growth Rate:** slow  
 Deciduous leaves  
 Multi-stem trunk



**Yoshino Cherry**  
*Prunus x yedoensis*  
**Height:** 25-30 ft  
**Spread:** 25-30 ft  
**Flowers:** Pale pink to white in early spring  
**Light Requirements:** full sun  
**Growth Rate:** Medium



**Kousa Dogwood**  
*Cornus kousa*

**Height and Spread:** 15-20 ft  
**Crown Shape:** Upright vase  
**Flowers:** White, early spring  
**Growth Rate:** Medium  
**Light Requirements:** Full sun to part shade  
 More adaptable than Flowering Dogwood



**Red Sunset Maple**  
*Acer rubrum 'Red Sunset'*  
**Height:** 50-60 ft  
**Spread:** 40-50 ft  
**Crown Shape:** Oval, spreading when mature  
**Growth Rate:** Fast  
**Light Requirements:** Full sun to light shade  
**Leaf Color:** Green in summer, brilliantly red in the fall  
**Flowers:** Bright red in early spring



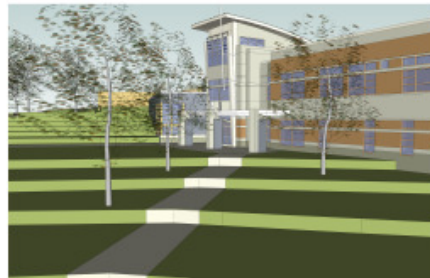
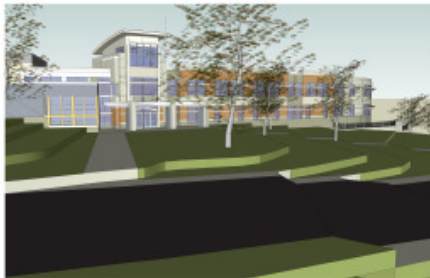
**Nuttall Oak**  
*Quercus nuttallii*  
**Height:** 60-80 ft  
**Spread:** 35-50 ft  
**Growth Rate:** Fast  
**Light Requirements:** Full sun  
**Leaf Color:** Dark green in summer, bright red in late fall.  
**Other:** Very tolerant of wet areas

# North Avondale Montessori

## VIEW LOOKING NORTHWEST



## COURTYARD VIEWS VEGETATIVE ROOF



## MAIN ENTRY VIEWS



## VIEW LOOKING SOUTHEAST



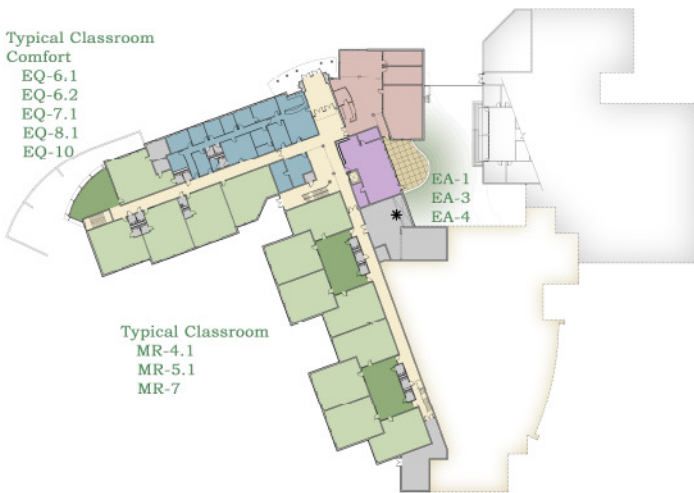




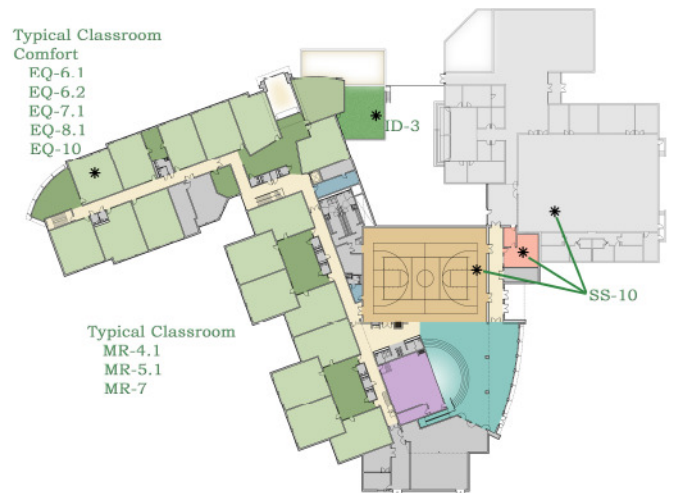
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### ROOM LEGEND

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<span style="color: purple;">■</span> Art / Music	<span style="color: teal;">■</span> Dining
<span style="color: brown;">■</span> Media Center	<span style="color: red;">■</span> Community Room
<span style="color: yellow;">■</span> Outdoor Learning	



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