



IWA Weekly Newsletter

September 18, 2020

A MESSAGE FROM OUR ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM

Dear Families:

God blessed us with beautiful weather today as our IWA Athletic Association held their first annual golf outing. Thank you to our families, friends, and sponsors for your support in making this event a huge success!





We finished our first full week of school! It was exciting to walk into the classrooms and see our in-person and at-home students engaged and learning. Below are some pictures from Ms. Pavicic's class today, working in groups learning about the Constitution.

We wish you all a wonderful, safe weekend!

God Bless,
The IWA Administrative Team



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Monday, Sept. 21 - Friday Sept. 25** - MAP Testing
- **Wednesday, Sept. 23** - Grade 8 Mass, Room 215 Ms. Cuevas
- Tuesday, Sept. 29 - Grade 7 Mass, Room 214 Ms. Shalala, and 1/2 of Room 209 Mr. Halusker
- **Wednesday, Sept. 30** - Q1 Interims (Progress Reports) sent home
- **Friday, Oct. 2** - Dress Down for the IWA Fund! Donate \$5 (cash or check made to IWA only) and dress down in IWA Spirit Wear. All proceeds benefit the IWA Fund. OC Learners that dress down and will be billed in Praxi for their \$5 donation.

- **Tuesday, Oct. 6** - MAP Testing Reports sent home
- **Wednesday, Oct. 7** - Grade 7 Mass, Room 213 Mrs. Gebe, and 1/2 of Room 209 Mr. Halusker
- **Thursday, Oct. 8** - NO SCHOOL
- **Friday, Oct. 9** - NO SCHOOL

DISMISSAL - IMPORTANT REMINDER



PLEASE REMEMBER THAT PARENTS SHOULD NOT ENTER THE PARKING LOT PRIOR TO 2:10 P.M. FOR DISMISSAL! We dismiss our preschool students between 2:00 – 2:10 p.m. and we need to ensure their safety.

Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated!

BEFORE YOU COME TO SCHOOL...

Parents, we can't thank you enough for your continued support in helping your children understand the importance of masks, physical distancing and hand-washing. Please continue to take your child's temperature and monitor for any abnormal symptoms before sending them to school. With your help, we will continue to stop the spread and will continue to keep your students and our staff as safe as possible!

[Click here to view our Decision Trees, Restricted Travel Notice and Weekly COVID-19 Case updates on our website.](#)

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

The Certificate Program benefiting the IWA Fund officially kicked off last week! The order form for physical gift cards can be found on our website. **IN ORDER TO RECEIVE YOUR PHYSICAL GIFT CARDS BY THE END OF THE WEEK, PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR ORDER FORMS ON MONDAY MORNINGS.** Any orders received after Monday morning will be filled and distributed the following week. Virtual gift card purchases through the RaiseRightApp will be available immediately on your smart phone. [For order forms and information on the RaiseRightApp, please click here.](#)

****Certificate Program for OC Learners:* if you order physical gift cards, they can be picked up in the Main Office on Friday mornings from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

MAP TESTING - ALL STUDENTS



Both in-person and off campus MAP testing began this week. We have had some minor glitches, but overall we had much success! Testing and make-ups will continue next week for some grade levels.

We recommend that your child gets a full night of rest and a healthy breakfast during this testing window.

Thank you for your support!

OFF-CAMPUS (OC) LEARNERS

Important Update!

All worksheets that teachers upload into Google Classroom for the week will NOW be available on Saturday by at 3:00, rather than by Friday evening. This change will remain moving forward.

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Cheryl Kaminski '83



This week's Alumni Spotlight features one of our 2nd Grade Teachers, Ms. Cheryl Kaminski, IWA Class of 1983!

Ms. Kaminski attended Magnificat High School and graduated from Baldwin-Wallace College (now Baldwin Wallace University) with a Bachelor's of Science in Education and a minor in Spanish. After graduation, Ms. Kaminski returned to IWA to teach second grade. Ms. Kaminski returned to BW after eight years of teaching and earned her master's degree in Administration and Supervision. She also has a minor in Accounting from Cuyahoga Community College.

As a student at IWA, she knew that she would one day return to teach – and she has for the last 29 years! Ms. Kaminski says, “Personally, I have many happy memories of IWA, among them being my first year of teaching. Not only did I have a wonderful class, but I was also privileged to teach alongside my Kindergarten teacher, Sr. Ambrose, and Sr. Denise O’Riordan, who was my partner teacher for second grade. At times, they would show up at my classroom door to impart their words of wisdom. It was a great year!”

If you’re an IWA alumni, please let us know where you are and what you’re up to by filling out this form.

PTSU SUNSHINE COMMITTEE

PTSU is looking for volunteers to be part of the IWA PTSU Sunshine Committee. The Sunshine Committee will be planning and coordinating ways in which to support, encourage and celebrate members of the IWA Community when needed. The Sunshine Committee may also be contacted to provide encouragement and support in times of need through well wishes or a meal train.

[Click here to sign up!](#)

HIGH SCHOOL CORNER

Please click on the ACAD Directory below for individual high school information regarding Open Houses, Testing, Shadow Visits and Financial Aid.

Association of Catholic Admission Directors
ACAD MEMBERSHIP SCHOOLS
2020-2021 Catholic High School Directory



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2019-2020 YEARBOOK

The Main Office has a few extra 2019-2020 school yearbooks available for purchase on a first-come, first-served basis. Please contact Mrs. Konopka in the Main Office at (440) 842-6818, ext. 300.

ONLINE CHESS CLUB

Online IWA Chess Club Information

All students in grades 1-8 are invited to learn and play chess safely online! Sessions begin October 1st, so be sure to register soon.



[Online Chess Description](#)

[Online Chess Club Registration](#)

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS



Due to COVID-19, birthday treats, both food and nonfood items brought from home, are not permitted. Students will be permitted to dress down or dress up on their birthday, following IWA Dress Code policies outlined in the IWA Parent-Student handbook. For students with summer birthdays, you may celebrate your half birthdays, or six months from your actual birth date.

LOOKING FOR PART-TIME WORK?

IWA is currently looking for Substitute Teachers, Lunch and Recess Monitors, and Extended Day staff. We have part-time positions and substitute opportunities. These are all paid positions. Please contact Mrs. Cicerchi at **jcicerchi@incarnatewordacademy.org** if you are interested.



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