



IWA Weekly Newsletter

October 2, 2020

A MESSAGE FROM OUR ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM



Incarnate Word Academy...Many Cultures, One School

We are very proud of the rich diversity represented by the families of Incarnate Word Academy and want to do more this year to celebrate our students' heritage and culture. If you or your child is a first generation American resident or citizen, please let us know by completing the [short survey](#) linked below. Watch for more information about this exciting initiative as the year progresses. [Click here!](#)



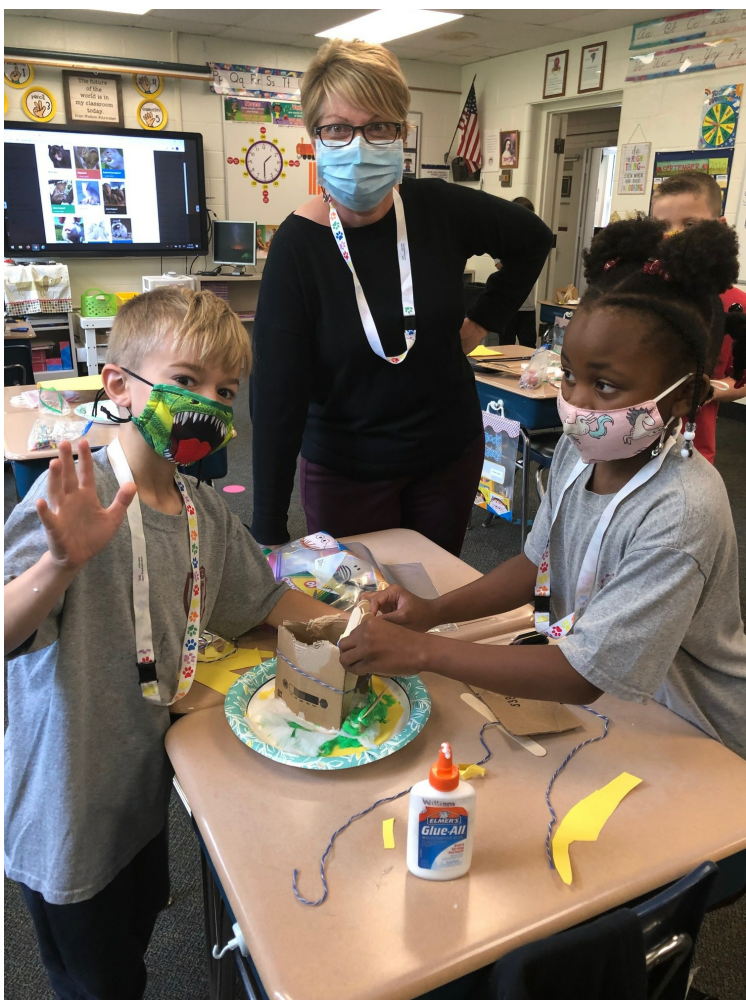
CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

Students Participate in Reconciliation at St. John Bosco



On Monday, our seventh and eighth grade students walked to our neighboring church, St. John Bosco, to participate in Reconciliation. Thank you, Father Matt Byrne, for welcoming us to your church! We felt blessed to be in this holy place, as a faith-filled community. We look forward to our fifth and sixth graders making this trip on Oct. 19th.

Meet Our Future Engineers!



Our second graders have started off the school year witnessing God's creations as they have observed and cared for butterflies in their classroom. They have also been spending time learning about

animals' needs, habitats, as well as comparing various animal life cycles. This week, the students participated in a STEM project as they used their knowledge of animals to create a habitat that would allow their animals to survive. Thank you, Mrs. Rolle and Ms. Kaminski, for your guidance and creativity in the classroom!



PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES



Parent Teacher Conferences will be held next week:

Wednesday, Oct. 7th from 3:30-7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 8th from 7:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.

Conferences will be offered in-person or virtually.

[**Click here to register!**](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

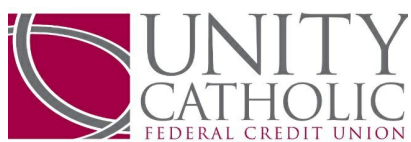
- **Tuesday, Oct. 6** - MAP Testing Reports sent home
- **Wednesday, Oct. 7** - Grade 7 Mass, Room 213 Mrs. Gebe, and 1/2 of Room 209 Mr. Halusker/ Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30- 7:30 p.m.
- **Thursday, Oct. 8** - NO SCHOOL/ Parent Teacher Conferences 7:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- **Friday, Oct. 9** - NO SCHOOL
- **Tuesday, Oct. 13** - Grade 6 Mass, Room 212 Mrs. O'Rourke
- **Week of Oct. 19-23** - Friendship Week
- **Wednesday, October 21** - Grade 6 Mass, Room 211 Dr. Klufas
- **Tuesday, October 27** - Grade 5 Mass, Room 101 Mrs. Hovanec-Davey
- **Friday, October 30** - End of 1st Quarter

- **Friday, October 30** - Halloween Dress Down Day! (Keep scrolling for details!)
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HELP US SPREAD THE WORD!

As other schools are still navigating their return to school plans, whether in-person, hybrid, or virtually, we humbly ask that you share your positive experience here at IWA with your friends and family, especially with those who may be seeking an alternative to their current situation. There is no ad that can be purchased that can replicate a personal, positive experience. Whether you're speaking with someone personally or sharing our social media posts to your personal pages, it all helps us share our story and further our mission. So please, help us "Spread the Word" about Incarnate Word!

STUDENT SAVERS



Student Savers is up and running at your school! Students can open a savings account, and Saver participants can drop their deposit to their Unity Catholic account in the locked box in our Main Office. We ask that you place your deposit in an envelope with your savers First and Last name. Envelopes are available at the Main Office. Receive a prize for being a great saver and keep the fun of learning to save going!

CERTIFICATE PROGRAM

Since there is no school next Thursday or Friday, there will be NO PHYSICAL GIFT CARDS processed next week. You can still submit your order, however physical gift cards will not be distributed until the following week.

Virtual gift cards can be purchased at any time through the RaiseRightApp will be available immediately on your smart phone.

[For order forms and information on the RaiseRightApp, please click here.](#)

PTSU NEWS

OLD WEST PUMPKIN FEST at the Rockin 'R Ranch on Saturday, Oct. 17



The Incarnate Word
Academy PTSU invites you to join
us for a day of fall fun on
Saturday, October 17th, from
12:00 PM- 5:00 PM.

Join us at the Rockin 'R Ranch in Columbia Station where your family can enjoy a bonfire and private picnic area as well as hayrides to the pumpkin patch, pony rides, an animal petting farm, face painting, pumpkin painting a straw maze and more! We hope to see you and your family there!

*Masks will be required at this event.

[Click here for tickets!](#)

PSTU Constitution & Proposed Amendments

The PTSU cordially invites all parents to attend our October PTSU meeting on Wednesday, October 14, at 7:00pm via Zoom. This is an important meeting as we will be discussing upcoming fall/winter events and voting on the proposed amendments to the IWA PTSU Constitution and Bylaws.

[Click here for the current PTSU Constitution.](#)

[Click here for the proposed amendments.](#)

Please email ptsu_secretary@incarnatewordacademy.org for the Zoom invitation and meeting information.

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!**](#)

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Brandon Schieferle '14



This week's alumni spotlight features Brandon Schieferle, IWA Class of 2014!

Brandon graduated from IWA in 2014. He attended Strongsville High School and was in the Culinary Program at Polaris Career Center. At Polaris, Brandon and his culinary team were the 2017 National Pro Start Invitational Champions which led him to receive a full scholarship to Sullivan University in Louisville, KY. Brandon has received his Associates Degree in the Culinary Arts and is now working on his Bachelor's Degree in Restaurant and Hotel Management there.

Brandon is currently a resident advisor and student leader at Sullivan University and works at 610 Magnolia, a fine dining, Southern American Cuisine restaurant. He had the privilege to work alongside Chef Sylvain Delpique, the Executive Chef at '21' Club in New York City, at the 2018 Breeder's Cup, and has also worked alongside James Beard Foundation award winning Executive Chef Debbie Gold at the 2019 Kentucky Derby.

Brandon has many fond memories of IWA, including Classroom of Champions with Miss Mileti, Student Council with the late Mrs. Kutz, Spanish with Sr. Jacinta, and Extended Day with Sr. Ignatius.

[**If you're an IWA alumni, please CLICK HERE to let us know where you are and what you're up to!**](#)

HIGH SCHOOL CORNER

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



Magnificat High School's Virtual Fall Open House: This Sunday, Oct. 4.

Magnificat's Academic Scholarship Exam Dates are Saturday, October 10, from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., and Thursday, October 27, from 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Accommodations are available for the October 10 exam. If your daughter requires accommodations, she must register at least one week before the test date. Historically, students who score 90 or higher on the HSPT exam will be invited to apply for an Academic Scholarship, depending on the number of test-takers. The deadline for scholarship applications and FACTS application is Thursday, November 19. [Register here for a personal, student-led, family tour for 8th grade students and 2 parents.](#)

Saint Joseph Academy's Fall Open House: Sunday, October 18, 12-6 p.m.

For the health and safety of your family and our community, there is a limited number of attendees permitted per family. Attendees include one prospective student with up to two accompanying adults. Unfortunately, walk-ins will not be permitted.

Fall Open House registration is available at www.sja1890.org/admission/visit

Padua Franciscan High School- Offering a LSS Program which includes the following: Learning Disabilities Program, Autism Program, Speech-language services, and SEGO/Accommodation Plan services. Padua has services that meet the needs of students identified having a Specific Learning Disability, Other Health Impairments – Minor, Autism, and Speech/Language Impairment.

[Click here to access a flyer that describes their LSS Program.](#)

AFTER SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES



The Cleveland Cavaliers are excited to invite you to “download” our 2020-21 Education Programs!

These “apps” are sure to be a “slam dunk” with your students whether they are learning in the classroom or online.

[Click here to access the Cavs Educational Programs](#)

ADVANCED MATHEMATICS CLASS

Mr. David Sabol, the Mathematics Chair at Saint Ignatius High School, will be

teaching an online Advanced Mathematics class, Math+, this Fall for boys and girls in the 6th to 8th grades. This Fall’s course focuses on Geometry. [Click here for more information.](#)

LATIN AND FRENCH AT ST. IGNATIUS HS

Grade School Latin and French programs will be offered for boys at St. Ignatius High School beginning Saturday, Oct. 17th through Saturday, November 7th. [Click here for more information.](#)

**HALLOWEEN DRESS DOWN
or
IN YOUR HALLOWEEN
COSTUME!
Friday, October 30**



On Friday, October 30th, students are permitted to Dress Down in Halloween colors while following the IWA Dress Down guidelines, OR they are permitted to wear a Halloween Costume to school!

Students are Not Permitted to:

- 1. Wear masks
- 2. Carry Weapons or weapon-like items
- 3. Wear bloody or gory costumes
- 4. Spray Paint any part of their hair
- 5. Wear any inappropriate or offensive costume
- 6. Wear any costume that is not modest
- 7. Wear excessive make-up

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.



