



IWA Weekly Newsletter

February 21, 2025

Classroom Highlights

from the desk of Mrs. Congelio

ETYMOLOGY IN PRIMARY

Pathology, pathogen, and sympathetic. Just some of the works that our students in first grade explored today in Mr. Halusker's Etymology course. The students discussed the meaning and spelling of words with the root *path*. They were asked to provide the definitions of *path*, *patho*, and *pathy*. Responses generated were feeling words, diseases, suffering, and disorders. Yes, they are in first grade!



Towards the end of the class, student teams were challenged to generate words from *vers* and *vert*, sharing their responses by creating digital post-its of their words on the Clevertouch.

In addition to teaching Etymology, World Cultures, and Latin, Mr. Halusker shares his passion for collecting and caring for cacti with his students.





ENRICHMENT COURSE TRAVELS TO ST. IGNATIUS

Artificial Intelligence: A Blessing or a Curse? Our Preparatory students in Ms. Shalala and Ms. Rossman's Socratic Seminar course have been researching the pros and cons of AI. Today, they traveled to St. Ignatius High School to participate in a Socratic Seminar with students in freshman ELA. After participating in a 40 minute discussion, the students had the opportunity for a private Mass with Father Guiao, a tour of the school, and lunch. An added bonus was reconnecting with many IWA alumni!

Thank you to St. Ignatius for your hospitality and learning alongside our students!







ENROLLMENT INFORMATION FOR 2025-26

ENROLLMENT PAPERWORK

If you have not yet done so, please complete your enrollment paperwork. You may access this paperwork online through your Digital Academy dashboard [or by clicking here.](#)

The registration fee must be paid online via ACH or credit card.

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING

Screening for Kindergarten will take place on **Monday, March 10 and Tuesday, March 11** in St. Joseph Hall. If you have a child who does not currently attend IWA that you would like to enroll in Kindergarten for the 2025-26 school year be sure to sign up for a time slot using the link below. **Families with a child who is currently enrolled in our Kinder Prep program do not need to sign up for a time slot.**



Areas of assessment are Physical Development, Language Development, Academic Skills/Cognitive Development, and Self-Help and Social-Emotional Skills. The purpose of the screening is to determine strengths, opportunities for growth, and to provide you with some activities that you can do with your child over the summer to help him/her be ready for kindergarten in August. The screening will take approximately 45 minutes to complete and we ask that a family member remain at St. Joseph Hall while screening is conducted.

[Click here to sign up for Kindergarten screening](#)

KINDER PREP ENROLLMENT

We are excited to announce that enrollment for our Kinder Prep program is now open! This is a wonderful opportunity to begin your child's educational journey at Incarnate Word Academy.

Please note that your child must be **4 years old** to begin the program and a **non-refundable \$250 registration fee and 10% of tuition are required** at the time of enrollment to reserve your child's place.

If you currently have a child enrolled in Kinder Prep who will remain in Kinder Prep for the 2025-2026 year please contact Mr. Kessler.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Gabe Kessler in our Admissions Office at (440) 842-6818 x304 or by email at gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org

[Click here to enroll in Kinder Prep](#)

ANGEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Be an Angel for IWA – Just 35 More to Go!

Thanks to our incredible community, we're even closer to reaching our *Angel Scholarship Fund* goal!

Now, we need just **35 more people** to step up and **be an angel for IWA students**.

Your contribution provides vital tuition assistance for IWA families—and with the **Ohio tax credit**, it comes at **no cost to you!**

Will you be one of the 35 who help us reach the finish line?

For more information contact Mr. Gabe Kessler at gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org or call (440) 842-6818 x304.

[Click here to donate!](#)

CLAIM AN OHIO TAX CREDIT THROUGH THE ANGEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND



CALL: 216-902-1312 ONLINE: CatholicCommunity.org/angel

ATTENDANCE REMINDER

This is a friendly reminder from page 8 of the Parent Student Handbook:

If a student is absent, his or her parent/guardian must call the Attendance Office at 440- 842- 6818 Ext. 305 to report the absence or complete the Attendance Form on our IWA App.

Parents may email the Attendance Office, **please do not email the teacher**. If the Attendance Office does not receive a call, parents will be contacted at home or work. In the event no one is available in the Attendance Office a message may be left on voicemail. Please give the following information when calling: name of student, homeroom number or teacher, reason for absence, and your name with a phone number where you can be reached. Upon return to school after an absence of 1 to 3 days, a written excuse given to the homeroom teacher stating the reason for the absence, and signed by the parent/guardian is necessary. After 3 days a doctor's note is required.

SPRING FLING 2025



Incarnate Word
ACADEMY



Friday, May 9 - Fun Run
Saturday, May 10 - Spring Fling

Help make this year's Spring Fling a fantastic event! We're looking for volunteers to assist with:

Raffle Baskets – Gather and organize exciting prizes

Attendance/Sponsorships – Boost participation and secure event sponsors

Decoration – Bring the venue to life with creative designs

Whether you have a little time or a lot, your help makes a big difference! To get involved, contact Susie Cheraso at PTSU_vicepresident@incarnateword.org.

Let's make this Spring Fling unforgettable!

If you or someone you know would be interested in sponsoring the 2025 Spring Fling or donating a raffle item, please fill out the form below or contact Mr. Kessler at gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org

Sponsorship Intent
Form

Raffle and Auction Item Donation Form

RipchoStudio
SchoolPhotography

YEARBOOKS ARE ON SALE NOW!

[CLICK HERE TO PRE-ORDER
YOUR 2024-2025 YEARBOOK](#)

RIPCHO STUDIO IS YOUR OFFICIAL YEARBOOK SUPPLIER!

2024-2025 Student Yearbooks are now available to order! The deadline to order is Monday, March 10. Click on the image above or the link below to order.

Don't miss this opportunity to capture and cherish the memories of this school year forever!

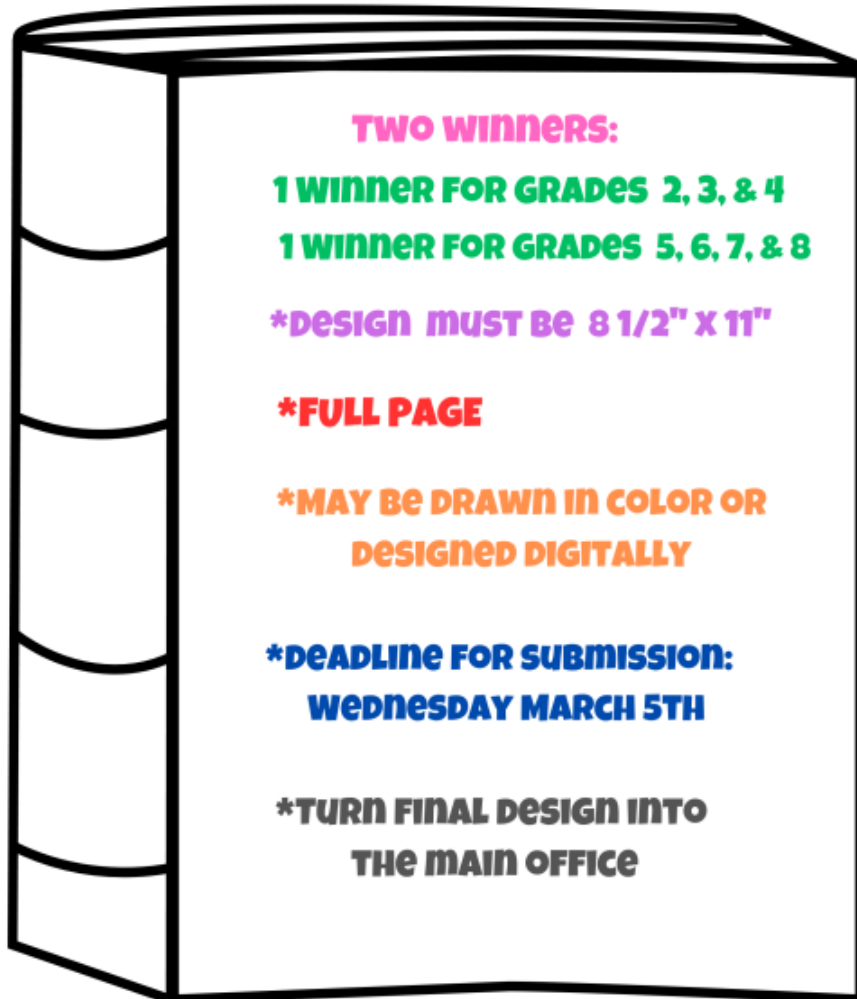
[Click HERE to order your yearbook](#)

[Click HERE to view & download the flyer](#)

DESIGN CONTEST

Calling All Artists

Design the Student Planners for the 2025/26 school year



GOOD LUCK!!

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PTSU NEWS

BUTTERBRAID FUNDRAISER

PTSU will be selling ButterBraids from March 3 through March 17. Flyers will be sent home with the students on February 26 and 27.

Delivery/pick up will be on April 9 after school.

Click the button below to view the full flyer of delicious treats available!

[Click here to order](#)

IWA Father-Daughter Dance

Friday, March 7th 6:30-9pm

Register [HERE](#) by 3/3

You will be billed via Digital Academy



Dinner, Dancing, Games & FUN!


St. Colette Hall 330 W.130th Brunswick

Please note location change due to St. Joseph Hall restoration

Volunteer Sign Up [HERE](#)

Click [HERE](#) to
RSVP

Volunteer sign up
[HERE](#)



**PLEASE JOIN US AT THE NEXT
PTSU MEETING**

MARCH 12 @ 7PM

**LOCATION:
INNOVATION CENTER**

Guest Speaker: Ms.Cindy Rossman (discussing
Camp NuHop and how you can get involved)

Virtual link: meet.google.com/vkx-akoy-rbh

**Click here to sign up for
child care**

**Click here for the virtual
link**



MOTHER & SON

Bowling **NIGHT!**

SUNDAY, MARCH 9TH 2025



\$20/ PERSON

12PM-2:30PM
Yorktown Lanes, Parma Heights

REGISTER BY 2/28/25
Link will be on Digital Academy



Click [HERE](#) to register for Bowling
Night

IWA 2025

FATHER SON EVENT

DADS AND FATHER FIGURES WELCOME!

- OUR GROUP WILL BE FEATURED ON THE JUMBOTRON
- FIRST 50 PEOPLE TO PURCHASE TICKETS CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE BIG FLAG PRESENTATION ON THE ICE BEFORE THE GAME

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 9TH

CLEVELAND
MONSTERS GAME

\$22/PERSON

<https://www.rocketmortgagefieldhouse.com/Incarnate>

Tickets are limited after 3/9

Click here to purchase tickets for the Father Son
Event



IWA PTSU

Spring

CRAFT FAIR

**APRIL 12, 2025
10AM-2PM**

Vendors needed!
\$40 fee includes table and chairs. Email Susie
ptsu_vicepresident@incarnatewordacademy.org



ALUMNI

MAYA BLAZER NAMED NATIONAL MERIT FINALIST

Maya Blazer, IWA class of 2021, has been named a National Merit Finalist! She joins an elite group consisting of less than 1% of U.S. high school

seniors.

Maya will graduate from Beaumont School this spring and plans to major in Biology on a pre-med track.

Congratulations Maya! We are so proud of you!

NATIONAL MERIT
FINALIST



Maya Blazer '25

Are you an Incarnate Word Academy alum? We'd love to hear from you! Please take a moment, click the button below and send us an update!

[Are you an IWA alum? Click here!](#)

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