



IWA Weekly Newsletter

February 7, 2025

Classroom Highlights

from the desk of Mrs. Congelio

because I said I would.



because I said I would. One seemingly simple action that Alex Sheen has turned into a global movement...keeping a promise.

IWA had the privilege of hearing Alex speak today to our preparatory students. A native of the Cleveland area, Alex shared how he went from a high paying job as an engineer, to coming to the realization that he wanted to help others. His **because I said I would** nonprofit is dedicated to empowering people with resiliency skills and mental health habits to face the adversities in life.

We are so grateful for his time and the inspiring stories he shared with our community.



WARRIORS OF THE MONTH



Congratulations to our January Warriors of the Month! These students and teacher were recognized for demonstrating the Warrior trait of being Intellectual.

We are life-long learners committed to critical thinking, research, and reflection about the world around us.

Back row (left to right): Jayne S., Mr. Halusker, Josie B., Saharsh G., Joseph F., Katherine H., Magdalene W.

Middle row: Raquel S., Luca P., Cooper J., Antonius F., Artem L., Nathaniel P.

Front row: Julian K., Tina H., Daniel L., Vishwa M., Samanvi M., Sam M., Brian S., Amazing-Grace S., Georgie N.

ALUMNI RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE

Academic Achievements - Saint Joseph Academy

We are excited to share that the following students from Incarnate Word Academy have made the Honor Roll at Saint Joseph Academy for achieving a GPA of 3.7 or higher for the first semester in the 2024-2025 school year.



Yeva Borys - High Honors	Alexa Payamgis - High Honors	Angela Sharykina - High Honors

Maya Ciurcel - High Honors	Sophia Payamgis - High Honors	Victoria Sharykina - High Honors
Caroline Eddy - Honors	Joelle Puni - High Honors	Cameron Simone - High Honors
Megan Fredrick - High Honors	Genevieve Roback - High Honors	Julia Skingle - High Honors
Elina Glaros - Honors	Nicole Schram - High Honors	Valerie Tome - Honors
Sophia Hwodeky - High Honors	Sophia Semertsidis - High Honors	Alexia Urs - High Honors
Lyla Patrick - High Honors		

Academic Achievements - Saint Ignatius High School

Congratulations to the following IWA students who made the honor list at St. Ignatius High School.

First Honors is awarded at the end of each semester for students who have achieved an average of 4.0 or above.

Second Honors is awarded at the end of each semester for students who have achieved an average between 3.7 and 3.999.

Students are named to the Honor Roll for each semester when they have achieved an average between 3.3 and 3.699.



Jacob Basel - Honor Roll	Liam Bracken - First Honors	Peter Castelli - Honor Roll
Justin Chan - First Honors	Joe Elzighondy - Second Honors	Rafael Fini - First Honors
Jack Finkle - First Honors	Noah Gabric - First Honors	Cole Goebel - Second Honors
Edan Ha - First Honors	Andrew Haas - Second Honors	Ryan Haas - First Honors
Luke Hlavaty - First Honors	Garrett Jacko - Honor Roll	Stefan Kujawa - First Honors
Aiden Malke - Second Honors	Andrew Morris - First Honors	Matthew Muntean - First Honors
Advait Nishit - First Honors	Noah Oblena - Second Honors	Nazar Padyuka - First Honors
Nihar Patel - First Honors	Shlok Patel - Honor Roll	Evan Richter - Second

		Honors
Henry Rosby - Honor Roll	William Rosby - Second Honors	Anthony Ruffa - First Honors
Angelo Semertsidis - Second Honors	Nolan Sgro - Second Honors	Eli Skowronski - Honor Roll
Darian Sopka - First Honors	Colin Southworth - First Honors	Anthony Togliatti - First Honors

ENROLLMENT INFORMATION FOR 2025-26

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

Click here to enroll in Kinder
Prep

ANGEL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

CLAIM YOUR TAX CREDIT!

In this video, Mr. Kessler provides key clarifications and answers common questions about the Angel Scholarship Fund.

The Angel Scholarship Fund provides tuition assistance to every family at IWA by supporting the *IWA Award* which every family receives.



All Ohio taxpayers are eligible for tax credits of up to \$750 individually or \$1,500 if you file a joint return. For more information contact Mr. Gabe Kessler at gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org or call (440) 842-6818 x304.

Click here to donate!

SPRING FLING 2025



Incarnate Word
ACADEMY



~~Change
Save the Date~~



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

More details to follow.

Due to the recent fire in St. Joseph Hall, Warrior Weekend has been moved to May 9 and 10!

We are currently seeking sponsorships and any connections to auction and raffle items, including sporting events, local entertainment and activities, and travel experiences. If you or someone you know may be interested in sponsoring this event or donating raffle and auction items, don't hesitate to reach out.

Contact Mr. Kessler with any questions: gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org

Sponsorship Intent
Form

Raffle and Auction Item Donation Form

2024-2025 STUDENT YEARBOOK

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](#)

STUDENT COUNCIL FUNDRAISER

Student Council Fundraiser

Raising money for the Valentines Day Dance!!



Quack your way over!

Location: Preparatory and Primary Hallways
Monday February 10th - Friday February 14th

Hello IWA! This message is brought to you by the Student Council's fundraising committee. We are having a fundraiser to raise money for the Valentine's Day Dance. This fundraiser will be starting next week **Monday (February 10th) to Friday (February 14th).**

We are selling mini ducks at **two for \$1.00.** You may have seen these ducks in many homerooms in the preparatory classrooms. We are going to be selling different ducks everyday. **Our committee has arranged to "roll out" a new duck every day.** You will be able to get the previous day's ducks at the counter. There will be two counters: one in the preparatory hallways, one in the primary hallways.

Ducks are in limited quantities. Quack your way over!

FIELD DAY LOGO CONTEST!



FIELD DAY LOGO CONTEST GRADES PK THRU 8



We could be wearing YOUR design for Field Day!

PTSU graciously helps organize T-Shirts for our annual Field Day Event. We are asking all students in grades Pre-K through Eighth grade who are interested in showing off their creative skills to submit a T-Shirt Logo Design for the school to proudly wear at this year's 2024-2025 Field Day.

The logo designs will be due by Monday, February 10, 2025. Please turn in your design to the Attendance Office addressed to Harb/FD Logo. Please make sure to turn the designs in on time. Logo designs will not be accepted after the due date.

Carefully read the instructions for the LOGO DESIGN. Logo designs will not be considered this year if the design does not meet the requirements.

The IWA faculty and Staff will be part of the anonymous voting process to select our 2024-2025 Field Logo Design Winner.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact:
Mrs. Harb at lharb@incarnatowordacademy.org
Tim DeGeeter at tdegeeter@cox.net



[Full logo design contest rules and instructions here!](#)

IWA ATHLETICS NEWS

Monthly Meeting Canceled

Our monthly meeting set for Tuesday, February 11 is cancelled. Please save the date for our next meeting on Tuesday, March 11 at 7 PM. Location TBD.

Spring Sports Sign-ups - Open Now!

Spring is just around the corner, and it is time for CYO Spring Sports Sign-Up.

Please see links and contact information herein to register or inquire. IWA will be

looking to field teams for **Track and Field, Baseball, and Softball**. We also encourage any parent or guardian who would like to volunteer as a coach to inquire on how to do so. If there is interest, but not enough to field a team for IWA, the Athletic Association will work with CYO to find a team for IWA athletes. So, there is **NO REASON** to not sign up for Spring Sports!

Further details will be announced in the near future. Please stay tuned to this Newsletter for sign-up information.



Softball - Girls Grades 3 - 8

See link to register. Please contact Chris Brooks (440-409-6291) or Tony Lee (440-539-4962) with any questions.

[Click here to sign up for softball](#)



Baseball - Boys Grades 3 - 8

See link to register. Please contact Chris Brooks (440-409-6291) or Tony Lee (440-539-4962) with any questions.

[Click here to sign up for baseball](#)



Track & Field - Boys and Girls Grades 1 - 8

Track season is fast approaching and there has been a lot of interest so we wanted to share some information for those who were considering joining the team. The season will begin the first week of March and run through mid-May.

Varsity track (grades 5-8) has practice Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6:00 pm until around 7:15 pm. Juniors (grades 1-4) will practice Monday and Thursday from 6pm-7pm. Initial practices will be held inside St. Joseph Hall but will move outside once the weather warms up. Outdoor practices will alternate between the tracks at TRI-C West (off of York Road in Parma) and Berea Midpark Middle School (Paula Road in Middleburg Heights).

Meets generally begin the first week in April. Juniors have six meets on Saturday mornings and Varsity has seven meets on Sundays.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Coach Joe Dombrosky (dombroskyj57@gmail.com) for Varsity track or Coach Matt O'Brien (matthewobrienlaw@gmail.com) for Junior track. See link to register.

[Click here to sign up for track](#)

Lacrosse, Tennis and Spring Volleyball - Boys and Girls Grades 3 - 8

CYO is also offering Lacrosse, Tennis and Spring Volleyball for Boys and Girls in Grades 1-8. If there is any interest in Lacrosse, Tennis or Spring Volleyball, please contact Chris Brooks (440-409-6291) or Tony Lee (440-539-4962). We will help coordinate with CYO to facilitate participation for our IWA Athletes.

PTSU NEWS



IWA FEBRUARY PTSU MEETING



WHERE: IWA INNOVATION CENTER IN THE SCHOOL BUILDING

WHEN: TUESDAY 2/11/2025 AT 7:00 P.M.

WHO: ALL CURRENT IWA FAMILIES ARE WELCOME

GUEST SPEAKERS: MS. GUILDOR; KINDER PREP TEACHER AND MRS. MICHELI; TECHNOLOGY TEACHER

TOPICS TO DISCUSS: MOTHER/SON EVENT, MOTHER/DAUGHTER EVENT, FATHER/SON EVENT, FATHER/DAUGHTER DANCE

CHILDCARE IS AVAILABLE - COMPLETE FORM BELOW

[Click here to sign up for childcare](#)

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](#)



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



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

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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