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 Newsletter



Lead Eagle Talk

Dear IPS Families,

Thank you for a wonderful 2020-2021 school opening! All members of our school community have quickly gotten into new routines for our new normal. We have begun iReady diagnostic testing in grades 1-5 and will be looking at student data to determine how to best meet our students' needs.

Students in grades 3-5 have been diligently wearing their masks on the bus, in the hallways and when they cannot be physically distanced. Students in grades Pre-K-2 have been wearing their masks on the bus and many have continued to wear them in the hallways. Thank you for your continued support of this new policy.

For those of you who drop off or pick up your children in the back of the school, I have a few reminders. Please do not let your child out in the back in the morning if there is not an adult there. The back gate is locked once all staff come inside and your child will not be able to get inside the building if there isn't an adult present. Also, in the afternoons, if there is a lightning storm, we will not be putting children in cars as we usually do. We will call from under the covered area when possible. This will take a little more time; however, our goal is to keep our students and staff safe from harm.

Please remember that it is extremely important that you do not change the way your child goes home. If an emergency arises, you may take a picture of the note and send it to your child's teacher, Mrs. Wear and Mrs. Ruby. If you must make a bus change, you must pre-register through the bus garage.

I look forward to working with you throughout this school year. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 352.726.2632 if you ever have any questions, concerns, or compliments.

Respectfully,

Kay Harper, Principal

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES OR INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE ADOPTED INDIVIDUAL CLASSROOMS OR OUR WHOLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

Builder Boys of Inverness, Inc.
 Burgundy Door Properties
 CNB Communications, Inc.
 Robert & LeAnna Crosnoe
 The Garrison Family
 Hanna Hogan
 L. Norman Adams Home Builders Inc.
 Salon Vo
 Kate Von Staden, Century 21 J.W. Morton Real Estate

Ms. C. Beverloo's 4th Grade Class
 Mrs. Foy's 5th Grade Class
 Ms. Foster's 4th Grade Class
 Ms. Thielemann's 3rd Grade Class
 Mrs. McCollough's Kindergarten Class
 Mrs. Denney's Kindergarten Class
 Mrs. Fulkerson's 2nd Grade Class
 Mrs. Gibbs' 1st Grade Class
 Ms. Mikulewicz's 2nd Grade Class

You too, for a tax-deductible contribution of \$100 (or more), can be a classroom or program (Art, Music, P.E., Tech Lab, Media Center) adopter. Two or more businesses or families may join together and adopt a class too! Classrooms or programs use the funds for special materials or programs that they would not ordinarily be able to afford. Contact Mrs. Wear, 726-2632, to arrange your adoption!



Asbestos Notification

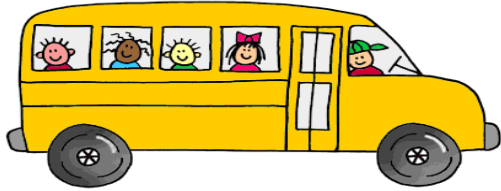
Citrus County Schools previously developed an Asbestos Management Program for all facilities. Required re-inspections of the facilities are performed at six month intervals. Information from these re-inspections, along with that from the original Management Plan, is available for review at each facility.

School Hours 9:20 a.m.—3:35 p.m.
Drop Off may begin no earlier than 8:50 a.m.

Supervision will not be provided before 8:50 a.m.

Bus Arrival	8:50 a.m.
Drop-Off Time	8:50 a.m.
Breakfast	8:50-9:20 a.m.
Tardy Bell/School Begins	9:20 a.m.

Pre-K/K/1st Grade Dismissal	3:35 p.m.
2nd/3rd Grade Dismissal	3:40 p.m.
4th/5th Grade Dismissal	3:45 p.m.
Buses Depart	3:50 p.m.



**School Advisory Council
SAC**

Meetings are held quarterly on Mondays from 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. All parents, students, staff and members of the community are welcome to attend. You do not have to be a voting member to attend. Our first zoom meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 22nd**. The Council certainly makes a difference at IPS. We strongly encourage you to become a part of this team.

MID TERMS:

We are in the process of scheduling parent conferences during the month of September concluding with Parent Conference Day on September 30th. Be sure and check Skyward regularly to keep abreast of your child's assignments and grades. Please contact our school if you need assistance accessing your child's Skyward account.



English Language Learners (ELL) Program

ELL is a program of English language instruction designed to help non-English speakers acquire English by using special instructional strategies with students at all levels: elementary, middle and high school. Citrus County Public Schools utilize the mainstream/inclusion model. Research indicates it takes 1 1/2 to 2 years to learn social forms of English and 3 to 5 years to learn academic English.

NOTICE OF OUT-OF-FIELD TEACHERS

We appreciate the following teachers who have volunteered to teach a subject outside of their primary certification and are currently taking classes to obtain certification in the area they are teaching out-of-field.

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Course</u>
Mrs. Rebecca Smith	Guidance



The Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), requires every state and district to publish report cards that show how the state, district and schools are doing with regard to student achievement and success. Part of this report card is the School Financial Report. This reports is available on the Inverness Primary School website: ips.citruschools.org

Title I News

Research continues to confirm that parents are a vital part of the educational process and of the educational experiences of their children. When school personnel and families work together, relationships are developed that support learning and children are provided an enhanced opportunity for success in school and throughout life. As a parent, you play an important role in your child's education. We encourage parents to be involved as much as possible. Volunteering, mentoring, and attending parent conferences are all parent involvement activities. Gain information and be part of the decision making process by joining advisory committees at the school and district level.

Partnering with the Citrus County School District, the YMCA operates an onsite before and after school child care program in all 11 Elementary Schools. The YMCA School Age Program provides child care for children in kindergarten through fifth grade.

Hours: 6:30 a.m.-8:50 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.-6:00 p.m.

Fees:

- All Inclusive Plan - \$54 per week; 42 weeks (Includes All In-Service Days and All Holiday Breaks)
- AM or PM Only - \$34 per week; 38 weeks (Includes Before Care or Afternoon Care Only, Teacher Work Days and Early Release Days)
- Annual Membership Fee - \$25 per individual/\$40 per family

*Financial assistance available for those who qualify; Financial assistance may also be available to qualifying families through the Early Learning Coalition's School Readiness Program

For more information on the YMCA Before and After Care program please call the Y's Administrative Office at (352)500-9622 or visit www.ymcasuncoast.org/locations/citrus-county-branch.

You can also email: bwooters@suncoastymca.org

Parent Teacher Association

Welcome Back Students!

Your IPS PTA is looking forward to a great school year.



SEPTEMBER EVENTS

- 7th - Labor Day Holiday - NO SCHOOL
- 22nd - SAC Zoom Meeting, 4:15 p.m.
- 30th - Parent Conference Day—No School for Students