

Principal Update 9/6/2024

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International Community School News

Hello ICS Families!

What a great start to the 2024-25 school year! Students are settling in nicely and relationships between students and teachers and students are being emphasized. This week we introduced homeroom activities every day. These included an ASB welcome assembly on the first day of school, two connection lessons focused on relationship building, and a lesson highlighting appropriate student behavior/expectations. Lots of information to digest this week. I look forward to meeting you at our first PTSA meeting of the year on 9/11.

Have a great weekend with your families!

Jacob

Camp Info Coming

Information about Camp Phoenix will be sent out to families on Monday, 9/9.

Schedule Change Requests 2024 2025

Although we do try our best to get you a schedule you want, it does not always work out the way we hope. To streamline schedule change requests, online forms will be available to submit starting at 7:50am on Tuesday, September 3. We will process schedule changes in order that we receive them and work to complete them in a timely matter. All students will have until Friday, September 13th at 2:45pm to submit all schedule change requests for the 2023-2024 school year.

We will only accept schedule changes through the schedule change request forms on the ICS counseling website. No emailed or in-person requests will be considered. Thank you for following established protocols and your patience.

Please see the linked directions on how to view your student's schedule on Skyward: **[Skyward Schedule Directive](#)**

Half Day Wednesday Begins

Starting September 11, the early release schedule will begin.

School Traffic Flow Map

This year, there is a new map displaying which roads to drive on when entering and exiting the school campus. Please view the **traffic map** for student drop off and pick up.

Meet the Teacher Night

September 19, 2024, from 6:30 pm to 8 pm. All parents are invited to experience an informational session with their students' teachers. This event will be on campus. Here are the timings for the evening.

Period	Start	End
Period 1	6:30	6:40
Period 2	6:43	6:53
Period 3	6:56	7:06
Period 4	7:09	7:19
Period 5	7:22	7:32
Period 6	7:35	7:45
Period 7	7:48	7:58

Photos Are Ready

Photos are ready to view for all students who participated in picture day on August 29. Please follow the directions below to view and order your photos.

View and order at <https://shop.jostenspix.com/login>

- INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY SCHOOL
- Event Code: FE60224
- Also Needed: Skyward Student ID

Picture Re-take Day

The school photographer will be here again on Monday September 30, 2024. Students will be called during class to get their picture taken.

State Fair Tickets

Tickets to the Washington State Fair will be distributed during Phoenix Time on Thursday next week.

Label Personal Items

Please label all personal items with your students' name. If the item is lost, we can connect it back to them. Last year students lost headphones and cases, cell phones, backpacks, clothing, glasses, water bottles, jewelry and wallets.

Payments

Need to pay class fees or purchase ASB Sticker? Fee collection starts in September.

- Class fees (Science, Art) - starting September 18
- Camp Phoenix - starting September 4, due by end of day September 22
- PE Shirts (6th Grade Only) - starting September 4

- ASB Sticker & Yearbook - starting September 4

Pre-pay online class fees, ASB membership, & yearbook using the **online payment portal**. On campus payments are taken at the front office (cash, check, credit card).

Reminder of Phone Policy

Cell phones in schools continue to negatively impact student achievement and well-being. Many schools and districts around the country are taking additional steps to limit their use. Teachers at ICS will be making unified efforts this year to enforce the policy that has been in place for many years at our school to promote student learning. Below is the policy from our handbook that will be enforced starting the first day of school.

ICS Phone Policy

Phones The office telephones are for school business use. Students may use the office phones for emergencies.

Grades 6-8: Cell phones are to be silenced and in backpacks. This includes whenever a student is on campus on a school day: before school, passing times, lunch, and after school.

Grades 9-12: Cell phones are to be silenced and in backpacks during class. High School students may access phones during passing times and lunch.

Attendance

Phone: **425 936 2381**

Email: **ICSAttendance@lwsd.org**

Please report student absences, late arrivals and early dismissal via email or phone call to Attendance. Include your students' name, grade, and reason in your message. Informing via teachers' emails, the main office, or responding to the newsletter email which is set to 'do not reply' is not recommended.

Parents Bringing Items

There is a shelf inside the school entry for dropping off any items, such as lunches, books or homework for your student. Please make sure that the item is labeled with your students' name and that you have informed them. Laptops must be brought into the office.

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