



STUDENT LIFE AT IA

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OVERVIEW STUDENT LIFE AT IA

1. Each week a “Student Life Weekly” is emailed with all events and ways to get involved
2. Each month Club Week is built into the schedule for a potential of 3 clubs
3. CTSOs (Career Technical Student Organizations) for each Pathway are offered outside of club week
4. Esports: IA’s only GHSA sport! Rocket League, Madden NFL, SuperSmash Bros, Mario Kart, Splatoon, Chess
5. Flex Friday’s: Opportunities for field trips, leading lessons, and outreach.
6. Leadership: Student Ambassadors (Tours and Recruitment), STEM Outreach (Elementary and Middle School), Student Leadership Council (Clubs) Student Council (Prom, Homecoming, Monthly Events)

FLEX FRIDAYS



Fall 2025
Flex Friday Schedule

AUG

8.8
Regular School Day
All Students

8.15
Phoenix Project Moonshot
All Students

8.22
IA PD Day
No Students

8.29
9th Grade IT Flex Friday
9th Grade Students

SEPT

9.5
Regular School Day
All Students

9.12
ENG Flex Friday
ENG Pathway Students

9.19
HS Flex Friday
HS Pathway Students

9.26
IA PD DAY
No Students

OCT

10.3
Innovate IT Conference
IT Pathway Students

10.10
HS Flex Friday
HS Pathway Students

10.24
ENG Flex Friday
ENG Pathway Students

10.31
IT & 9th Grade ENG Flex Friday
IT Pathway and 9th Grade Students

NOV

11.7
HS Flex Friday
HS Pathway Students

11.14
CULTIVATE
All Students

11.21
Phoenix Project Celebration
All Students
half day

11.28
Thanksgiving Break
No Students

DEC

12.5
ENG Flex Friday
ENG Pathway Students

12.12
IT and 9th Grade HS Flex Friday
IT Pathway and 9th Grade Students

12.19
Regular School Day
All Students

WINTER BREAK!!

FLEX Friday

Tutoring A	8:55 - 9:25
Tutoring B	9:30 - 10:00
Workshop #1	10:05-12:05
Lunch	12:10 - 1:10
House	1:15 - 2:00
Workshop #2	2:05 - 4:05

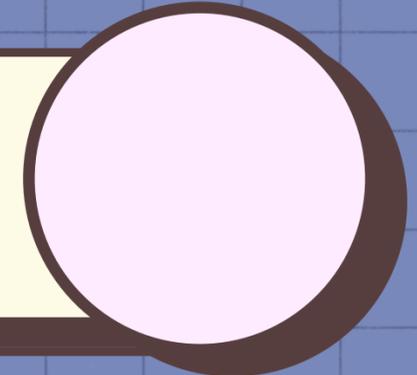


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- YOU MUST GET 12 FF CREDITS BY THE END OF THE YEAR TO GET YOUR MAGNET SEAL
- YOU NEED TO ATTEND 3 FF PER SEMESTER FOR YOUR PATHWAY
- YOU MUST USE THE EVENT SITE TO SIGN UP
- THERE ARE 2 SESSIONS DURING EACH FF
- THE FIRST 3 WILL BE 9TH GRADE ONLY
- MAKE UP SESSIONS WILL BE AVAILABLE IN THE SPRING

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9th FLEX Friday

Tutoring A	8:55 - 9:25
Tutoring B	9:30 - 9:55
Freshman 101	10:00 - 10:45
Workshop #1	10:50 - 12:20
Lunch	12:25 - 1:25
House	1:30 - 2:15
Workshop #2	2:20 - 3:50
Class Meeting	3:55 - 4:10



STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

More than 130 student-powered clubs!

Esports

IA Fencing

Student Council

CTSOs: HOSA, Robotics, TSA

Elementary and Middle School Outreach

IA Ambassadors

STAY UPDATED WITH STUDENT LIFE

Check your email for the latest edition of Student Life Weekly!

Visit the IA Student All Canvas for important announcements and the event calendar!

CLUB FAIR IS ON AUGUST 15TH!

Club week schedules occur monthly with three sessions: Club A on Tuesday, Club B on Wednesday, and Club C on Thursday.

**Club Lists will be posted on Canvas*

General Questions? Email Kathryn Paxton
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Experience IA: Q&A

Q: HOW DO I SIGN UP FOR CLUBS?

A: On August 15th, we will host a club fair during school where you can explore all the clubs IA has to offer. Following this, you will have the opportunity to sign up for up to 3 clubs on the event.fcsia website.



Q: WHAT IS CLUB WEEK?

A: Each month, we host a special week focused on clubs and student-centered events like guest talks, study halls, and more. On a designated day, you'll attend club A, B, or C, depending on your chosen clubs.

Q: CAN I START MY OWN CLUB?

A: At the beginning of 2nd semester, we will hold a Club Leaders Meeting for students to learn about starting their own club here at IA. Applications will open in April. Talk to Ms. Paxton/Ms. Velazquez for more information.

Q: WHERE CAN I STAY UPDATED ON STUDENT EVENTS?

A: Follow the IA Beacon, our student life newsletter, for updates on clubs, events, and opportunities (internships, summer programs, scholarships, etc.).

Q: WHAT IS A NON-BLOCK, BLOCK, AND CTO CLUB?

A: IA clubs are categorized as club week, non-club week, or CTSO. Club week clubs meet during Club Week, non-club week clubs meet before or after school, and CTSO clubs are core STEM clubs: HOSA, TSA, and Robotics. Check out the club list poster for more information.



Q: WHAT IS SLC AND STUDENT COUNCIL?

A: The Student Leadership Club Council (SLC) is a team of student leaders who organize club-focused events and ensure clubs serve student interests. Student Council represents the student body and plans school-wide initiatives. Students can join by applying during recruitment and showing leadership, teamwork, and interest in events.



STUDENT LIFE



Wellness in bus
loop during
both lunch
*Weather
Permitting

Pathway Leadership
Program on Flex
Fridays

See the Student Life
Weekly for Lunch
events and Student
organization
meetings!



COMMUNICATIONS!

Mon 8/18	Tues 8/19	Wed 8/20	Thurs 8/21	Fri 8/22
IA Monday Mission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Picture Day in ELA classes Mandatory 9th Class Council candidate meeting (273, 8:20AM) IA Esports meeting (367, 8:45 AM) Last Day for Club Sign-Ups! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wellness Grand Opening during lunches in the bus loop - Come out to enjoy popsicles! Afterschool TSA Meeting in room 188 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9th Class Council candidate applications due by 4:15pm 	<p>IA PD Day</p> <p>Remote Day for students!</p> <p>Complete asynchronous work at home & submit by 11:59 PM.</p>

IA STUDENT CANVAS



 Student Life Weekly	 Bell Schedule	 Flex Friday
 Teacher Rooms	 Clubs	 Online Student Payment

Ongoing & Upcoming

ONGOING:

- 9th Class Council election: Thursday, 8/28 (via email)
- Base Camp applications due 8/27 (see Canvas)
- Taylor Swift scavenger hunt & Shrinky Dinks in Exchange!
- Hunt for tiny art throughout the building sponsored by our art students!

UPCOMING:

- Club Week: Next Week (schedule on Canvas)
- No school on Monday, September 1 (Labor Day)
- First Flex Friday = 8/29 (9th IT)

Daily Schedule

1st	8:55 - 9:45
2nd	9:49 - 10:39
3rd	10:43 - 11:33
4th	11:37 - 12:33
5th	12:37 - 1:33
6th	1:37 - 2:27
7th	2:31 - 3:21
8th	3:25 - 4:15

Other Stuff

8/29: College Readiness Bootcamp for Seniors
See Canvas Senior Module for more info

Interested in Dual Enrollment for Spring? Stop by Counseling Suite!

 <h1>August</h1>				
MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
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4 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL Senior Sunrise 9th Device Pickup 	5 11th Grade Class Meeting Phoenix Games Begin! 11th/12th Device Pickup	6 Lunch Phoenix Games Club Leaders Meetings 10th Device Pickup	7 Senior Class Meeting Lunch Phoenix Games 	8 Regular Friday! Lunch Phoenix Games Sophomore Class Meeting
11 Lunch Phoenix Games Lunch Wellness Opens	12 Lunch Phoenix Games	13 Lunch Phoenix Games	14 Lunch Phoenix Games Afterschool Robotics Meeting	15 Phoenix Project Moonshot! Club Fair
18 Wellness Grand Opening 	19 Picture Day LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR CLUBS Before school Esports Meeting	20 Afterschool TSA Meeting	21 	22 IA PD DAY 
25 UGA College Visit  Phoenix Time Afterschool HOSA Meeting	26 Club A Curriculum Night (Asynchronous)	27 Club B	28 Club C	29 9th Grade IT Flex Friday



Club Week Schedule

Period	Start	End
1st	8:55am	9:40am
2nd	9:44am	10:30am
3rd	10:34am	11:19am
4th	11:23am	12:09pm
Phoenix Time/ Club Time	12:13pm	12:58pm
5th	1:02pm	1:48pm
6th	1:52pm	2:37pm
7th	2:41pm	3:26pm
8th	3:30pm	4:15pm



Fall Club Weeks:

August 24th

September 22nd

October 27th

December 8th



Club Week

Monday: Phoenix Project camps or 4th/5th Meeting

Tuesday: Club Time A

Wednesday: Club Time B

Thursday: Club Time C

CLUB A:

- Rubik's Cube Club
- Investment Olympiad
- Public Speaking Club
- Run IA
- Heart Club
- MD Junior
- IA Literary Club
- Art Club
- Math Team Officers
- Volleyball
- Student Council (all)
- Taekwondo Club
- Interact (Rotary)
- Women in Medicine
- DnD
- United for Change
- RC Flight Club
- Pickleball - 1
- IA Animation
- Hands of Hope
- Doctors without Borders
- Second Chance Animal Welfare
- Outdoor Sports & Fitness
- Music Clubs (Chamber, Chorus, Production)
- Tedx IA
- Ultimate Frisbee
- IA Competitive Programming
- Astronomy Club
- Art History Curators
- Outreach Leads
- 9th Student Council
- Student Enterprise
- Tutor Teams
- East African Student Union
- BSU
- IA Book Club
- French Honor Society
- Chemistry Hub
- AVTF
- IA Quiz Bowl 9-10
- Girls Who Code
- Crochet for Change
- CyberPatriot
- Girl Talk
- Christian Writers Association
- Model United Nations 10th-12th
- Gardening Club
- Biomedical Engineering
- Science National Honors Society
- Spanish Honors Society
- Middle Eastern Student Association
- IA CEO connect
- Sports and Elementary Mentorship Club
- National Society of Black Engineers
- Hindu YUVA - 1
- Minecraft Club

CLUB B:

- Anatomy and Physiology Student Club
- Mind Matters
- IA Uplifts
- Fashion and Sewing
- Game for Change
- Closing the Divide
- Drama Leadership
- Neuroscience Club
- Sandwich Project
- Hindu YUVA - 2
- IA Girls Basketball
- IA Mehndi Club
- Girls in STEM Ambassador Program
- Cricket Club
- IA Poet's Society
- 11th Student Council
- 12th Student Council
- IA Quiz Bowl 11-12
- Table Tennis
- HoPe Club
- Food4Lives
- Data Science
- Give Serve Love
- Video Game Club
- Editors Club
- Physics Club
- AI Club
- IA Fencing
- Soccer
- FCA
- Student Leadership Club Council
- Technology Club
- Kendo Club
- MSA
- Soccer Club
- STEAM Artisans
- MEDlife
- Math Team
- IA Jewelry- Crafting Change
- Model United Nations 9th
- Student Organ Donation Advocates
- Amplify IA
- Blitzball Club
- Pre-Med
- Paper Bridges
- Volunteering Together for Service
- Outdoor Sports & Fitness
- NHS

CLUB C:

- Base Camp
- Drama Leadership
- Tech Innovators
- Life & Cursive Writing with Ms. Bev
- Rocketry
- Badminton
- NextGen STEM
- Boards & Buzzers
- Bound by Words
- Chess
- Hack Club
- Gameshow
- Empower Minds
- All Kinds of History
- Baking/Cooking
- GSA
- Table Tennis
- BETA
- Biology Olympiad
- 1-2-1 Reach
- Baking/Cooking
- Reading Bowl
- Ceramics Club
- Environmental Stewardship
- IT Certification
- Pickleball - 2
- 21ST Century Leaders
- IA K-POP
- Research Club/Olympiad
- Base Camp
- Cloud Innovators
- Weightlifting
- Access Life America/St. Jude
- Active Minds
- Science Olympiad
- Professional Networking Club
- Crafty Collective
- Dance
- Badminton Club
- Digital Design
- Study Halls
- Red Cross Club
- Bollyfusion Dance
- Student Prep and Help
- Student Volunteer Club
- FCA
- BSU 11th & 12th
- IA Medical Podcast
- IA Quiz Bowl Study
- College Prep Club
- BSU 9th and 10th
- IA Motorsports
- SEWA
- Debate Team
- Desi Hub
- Reading Bowl

Club A: Tuesday Club B: Wednesday Club C: Thursday **Can choose Study Halls*

Clubs weeks are typically the last week of each Month

NON CLUBWEEK:

- HOSA
- Robotics
- TSA
- Esports
- Fencing
- DNA Club
- Jewish Students United

INTERESTED IN PLAYING A GHSA SPORT AT YOUR HOME SCHOOL?

1. Work with your coaches/athletic director at your home school to find out about tryouts, practices, and other procedures or policies about participating in your desired sport.
2. Once a student is accepted onto the team, the athletic director or data clerk will add a partial line of enrollment for the IA athlete so the home school has access to student records.
3. A student-athlete may be asked to complete the GHSA Transfer Student Eligibility Form and will need a copy of the policy statement showing that Innovation Academy students can play sports at their home school.
4. Most students will need to take a virtual class during 8th period in order to leave on time to participate in their home school sport. Virtual period change request and requests to be off campus during virtual forms will be available in the front office.

THANK YOU!