

THE DRAGON TIMES



ABIGAIL GRACE

PROFESSIONAL ACTRESS AT ISAAC

5th Grader By Day, Professional Actress By Night

One of our own 5th graders will be part of a professional musical production. ISAAC's very own student, going by the stage name Abigail Grace, will be participating in, and getting paid for a professional production of *Annie* at the Goodspeed Opera House.

Abigail will be acting for three months while still learning through a private tutor. She will be completing all 5th grade assignments while doing what she loves on stage. We had a chance to sit down with Abigail and interview her.

Abigail began acting at just five years old, after being introduced by her theatre-loving family. She attended open calls after her mom mentioned the Goodspeed was hosting auditions. She enjoyed making friends throughout the process despite her nerves.

Abigail plans to continue auditioning for professional shows and even try for her dream role of Little Red Riding Hood from *Into the Woods*. She wants to advise anybody looking to act professionally or recreationally to keep trying and never give up.

Upcoming Events

- ✱ **Picture Day/Fancy Friday**
October 16, 2026
On October 16th, students and staff will get their pictures taken for ISAAC's yearbook. Make sure to come in looking your best.
- ✱ **High School Night**
October 20, 2026
ISAAC 8th graders and families are invited to High School Night on Tuesday, October 20th, from 5-7 PM in the ISAAC gym to explore their high school options!
- ✱ **Election Day**
November 3, 2026
On November 3rd, students will not have school and teachers will have Professional development. Have a great day off students!

Meet the Media Team

ISAAC now offers a Media Communications Elective with a Media Team. Media Communications will be in charge of the monthly newsletter, *The Dragon Times*, morning announcements, and our social media. Every month they will get to switch roles and be in charge of something new.



Kanoa, Genesis, Josue, Ava,
Natalienicole, and Jayna
(L to R from front to back)

High School Night At ISAAC

ISAAC 8th graders and their families are invited to ISAAC's High School Night. Representatives from local and choice high schools will be aiding you in choosing your high school. Even if you have already decided on a school, you should still attend and learn about your options. This event will take place on Tuesday, October 20th from 5-7 PM in the ISAAC school gymnasium.

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HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT

Local & choice high schools come to ISAAC to talk with our 8th graders about the opportunities waiting for you next year!

TUESDAY,
OCTOBER 20
5:00 - 7:00 PM
ISAAC GYM



A New Chapter at ISAAC: Mrs. Alger Named Principal

ISAAC Middle School has a brand new principal! After four years of dedication to the school, Mrs. Alger is stepping into a new leadership role while still teaching one Language Arts class.

Mrs. Alger began her journey at ISAAC as a sixth-grade science teacher, earning Teacher of the Year during her very first year. After two years in the classroom, she became Assistant Principal and Director of Elementary, helping lead ISAAC's new fourth and fifth grade program while also teaching fourth and fifth grade Language Arts.

"When I think about my journey at ISAAC, I honestly feel incredibly lucky," said Mrs. Alger. "I feel incredibly grateful to be part of a team that believes so strongly in our students. I can't wait to see all that we accomplish together as Dragon Nation."

Mrs. Alger is known for her creativity at ISAAC. She has brought the unique "Mercedes Model" to the school where she has designed beautiful classrooms with flexible seating.



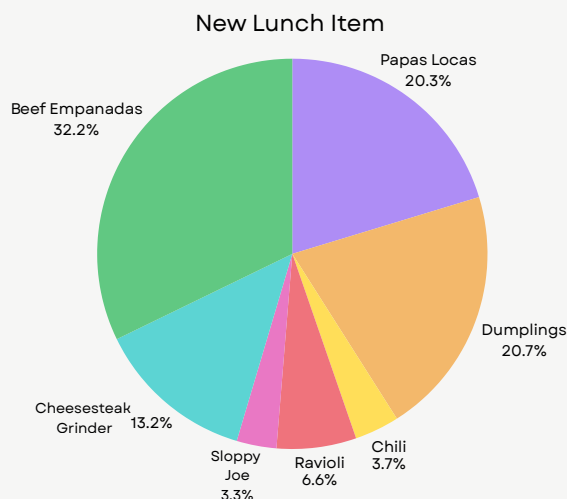
Mrs. Alger is a two-time Teacher of the Year recipient. She earned Teacher of the Year at Lyme-Old Lyme and here at ISAAC. She has also received the Citizenship Education Award from the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW).

Above all, Mrs. Alger is known for her kind heart, dedication to students and teachers, and passion for education. The entire student body and staff are thrilled to have Mrs. Alger as our building principal for several years to come. As she begins her fourth year at ISAAC as principal, the Dragon family looks forward to this exciting new chapter! Congratulations, Mrs. Alger!

ISAAC October Student Poll

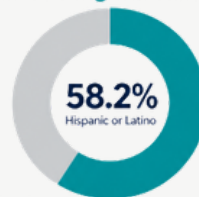
ISAAC's Media Team sent out a poll to all students about, "What item should be added to the school's lunch menu?"

Our results are now in and this lunch will be added to the Wednesday, October 28th menu! Dr. Spera is currently looking at local restaurants to supply our beef empanadas and arroz con gandules.



HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH Hispanic Heritage at ISAAC

Celebrating Our Heritage, Building Our Future



58.2% of ISAAC students are Hispanic or Latino.

Heritage Represented in Our School

Our ISAAC community includes roots in these nine places:



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