THE DRAGON TIMES

BIG MONEY, BIG WIN FOR ISAAC

ISAAC has some exciting news! On October 8, 2026, our school was awarded a 21st Century Community Learning Centers (21CCLC) grant, providing $250,000 annually for the next three years. This incredible opportunity will expand after-school programming and give students even more ways to explore their interests, develop new skills, and discover new passions.

Students can look forward to an exciting lineup of new activities, including Girls' and Boys' Flag Football, Hallway Games, Art Club, Chess, Math Counts, Dragon Club, and Service Club. The funding will also support the continuation of many of our favorite existing programs, including Broadway at ISAAC, Backstage Club, Culinary, Girls on the Run, Soccer, Volleyball, Fencing, and Basketball.

There's even more exciting news for our student-athletes! Through our partnership with the Coast Guard Academy Athletic Corporation, ISAAC will be able to host home games on the Coast Guard Academy campus, creating new opportunities and experiences for our teams.

This grant represents a tremendous investment in our students and our school community. We are excited to see where these new opportunities lead and can't wait for students to get involved!

EVENT SCHEDULE

Thanksgiving Food Drive 🍗
November 9–20, 2026
We are accepting food donations until November 20th. The winning grade (by contributing the most food) wins an ice cream party.

Thanksgiving Break 🦃
November 26/27, 2026
On November 26th and 27th students and staff will not have school and will be on Thanksgiving break! Have a great few days off!

Niantic Light Parade 🎄
December 12, 2026
On December 12th, ISAAC will have some students and staff representing us in the Niantic Light Parade.

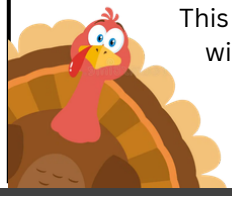
ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DRIVE



Each year, the ISAAC community comes together to make Thanksgiving a little brighter for our families who could use a helping hand. As part of this special tradition, students in grades 4–8 are invited to donate food items that will help create all the fixings for a Thanksgiving dinner, from the turkey to the dessert!

Each grade level is assigned different items to contribute, including macaroni and cheese, mashed potatoes, stuffing, canned corn, green beans, cranberry sauce, and more. Our PTO generously provides the turkeys, helping make each basket a complete Thanksgiving meal.

Of course, a little friendly competition makes giving even more exciting! Grade levels compete to see who can collect the most food items, and the winning grade earns a well-deserved ice cream party.



This year our 7th grade gathered 282 items, making them the winners. We collected over 850 items as a school and are able to feed 20 families this year! We appreciate the ISAAC community for coming together and helping everyone have a great Thanksgiving.

A DOG FOR DONOVAN

In recognition of National Diabetes Month, we are shining a spotlight on one of our very own ISAAC students: Donovan, a sixth grader who has been living with Type 1 diabetes since he was just seven years old.

Diabetes service dogs are trained to recognize changes in blood sugar levels, sometimes detecting signs of a low before a glucose monitor registers the change. Donovan explains just how remarkable this ability can be: “The dog can catch my sugar going low just based on my breath before the technology can even catch it.”



To help make this possible, Donovan’s family has launched a GoFundMe campaign to raise money for his service dog.

We wish Donovan and his family the best of luck and hope he gets his four legged friend soon!

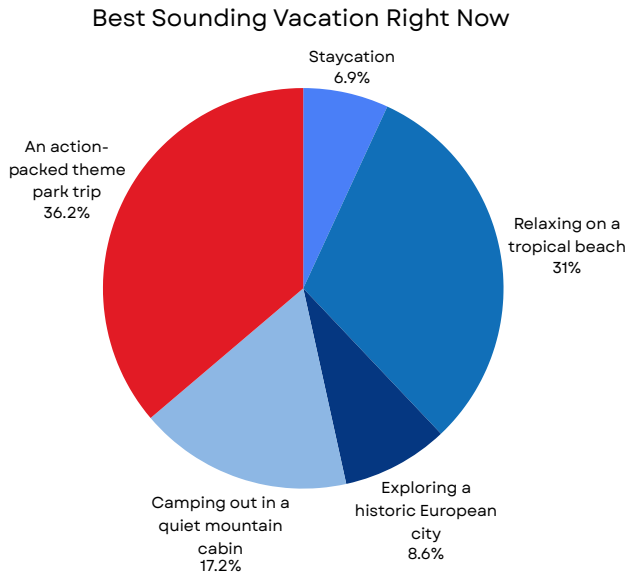
VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST

ISAAC hosted our annual Veterans Day Breakfast on the morning of November 11th, honoring more than 100 Veterans! Veterans from several military branches joined us for the morning including four of our own ISAAC staff members: Mr. Harris (Navy), Mr. Harrison (Air Force), Mr. Presti (Coast Guard), and Mrs. Florio (Army).

We are so thankful to all the brave men and women who have served our country and sacrificed so much for our freedoms. Thank you, veterans!

NOVEMBER STUDENT POLL

ISAAC’s Media Team recently surveyed students with a fun question: “What type of vacation sounds the best right now?” The students have spoken! Here’s how the votes stacked up:



SOCCER RECAP

Our Boys’ and Girls’ Soccer Teams had a fantastic season! We are so proud of their hard work, teamwork, and dedication both on and off the field. Way to go, Dragons!



Charlotte, Mia, Hailey, Neveya, Gigi, Scarlet, Bella, Kianny, Peyton, Sol’Mya, Sarai, Aaliyana, Michelle, Arianna

Coached By: Mr. Santiago & Mr. Presti

Michael, Mariano, Yobaniel, Brandon, Luis, Sebastian, Jeirem, Kayden, Sneyder, Daniel, Iker, Shia, Daryl, Bryant

Coached By: Mr. Perez & Mr. Kane

