

Celebration and Appreciation

Each week, we celebrate and recognize a student who has shown random acts of kindness and character as our **Clark Caring Student of the Week**. This week, we recognized **Katie Fors and Cecilia Galeas**. One of our wonderful substitute teachers, Mrs. Matthews, shares, "Amid tech issues in yearbook class last week, these two students immediately touched base with remote students, advising them of the issues. Then, they led the class according to the teachers' plan yet altering as necessary to account for our issues. While I was stressing, these students were cool and in charge!" Thanks for the great leadership, Katie and Cecilia!

Thanks to the family of **Sienna Pollis** for providing our Thursday staff breakfast!

Thanks to the family of **Zoe Williams** for gift card donations for prizes for students and staff!

Mrs. Kohuth thanks so many of you who have recognized and spoiled her during Principals Month! In her words,

"I so appreciate and am humbled by the overflowing basket of personal notes provided to me at our All Staff meeting on Wednesday! Thank you, too, for a myriad of various shout outs in person and meaningful gifts! The best gift is indeed the presence of our students, families, and team members to make the Clark experience as pleasant and productive as possible for all of us. Seeing you brings a smile to my face – even if you cannot see the joy on my mask-covered face! I am blessed to be the Principal of our amazing school!!!!"

Our cranes travelled again this week! The Clark Crane statues and gift cards donated by Parents as Partners were given as recognition to **Mr. Chris Carley**, groundskeeper, and to **Ms. Lynn Matthews**, adjunct/classroom facilitator, at our All Staff meeting on Wednesday. Mr. Carley is our "energizer bunny" who keeps our campus grounds looking amazing and had the added role of parking lot monitor for the first part of our school year. His efforts and outcomes are acknowledged! Ms. Matthews is a visible presence this first quarter as she coordinates with Mrs. Gribble for classroom monitoring and support, as well as for the front desk and for "testing center" when needed. Two student leaders from Journalism/Yearbook class affirmed Ms. Matthews as they recognized that she was flexible yet focused on assisting students to get the work projects done that Mrs. Gribble and Mr. E. had assigned while being sure students joining remotely were also involved in the tasks at hand. Huge thanks to these team members for making a difference every day!!!!!!

Thanks to all staff and students who help participate in all of the fun activities this week for **Character Counts! week**. Check out of social media to see some of the pictures. The winners of our poster contest are:

1st place: Juliana Vallone

2nd place: Brianna Gasparini

3rd place- Skylar Crumpler and Katie Hale

These will be shared on our social media as well as posted here at school! Stop by the front office to claim your gift card and Juliana will be choosing a class to enjoy donuts and juice together!

For those who participated at least 3 days this week, stop by the career café at noon next Wednesday for your **free ice cream!!!!** Don't forget, it's early release so no lunch is being served that day.

Announcements and Reminders

Today is the end of quarter 1... where is the time going? Students and parents are encouraged to work with the teachers directly to ensure student success. Contact info for all can be found on our website here <http://www.clarkadvancedlearningcenter.org/p/76/admin-faculty-staff#.X5MYDdBKIUk>

We will be holding our monthly assembly THIS Wednesday beginning at 2:30 through our YouTube channel (link on website). Join us as we recognize various contest winners, announce our winner of the pillar of Trustworthiness and learn about next month's pillar of respect, as well as choose a winner from all those who have been weekly recipients of the Caring Cranes. We will also have speakers from some student activities, including an important presentation about mental and emotional wellness from NHS members. Dr. Bonds will be letting us know all of the wonderful plans for Career Development Month and more! If you must miss, please make sure to watch the recording!

Looking for some Clark spirit wear? Use the link or the QR code below to see options and order. Samples to check for size (short sleeved tees are SOOOO soft!) are on the table near the front desk. Our goal is to have delivery before Thanksgiving, so make sure to get your order in ASAP. These would make great holiday gifts, too! Prom and general student activities will be sharing the profits from the sales of school spirit wear. Thanks to Clark parent, Nancy McCarthy, for coordinating this! **We have several orders that are incomplete, so please make sure you enter your name when selecting which shirts you would like** You can email or call Dr. Judd to verify your order and cost.



<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NQRZ5HC>

Don't forget to follow Clark on Instagram and Facebook to see some of the fun happening here, as well as other updates and opportunities!

Scheduling of spring classes will begin soon. Seniors will be scheduled first in order to assure graduation requirements will be met. Be on the lookout next week for an email from Ms. Jones with instructions on how to make your scheduling appointment. It is VERY important that all students, but especially seniors, also have a guided pathway on file at IRSC that is completed with your advisor. Email Ms. Jones if you do not know how to locate the contact info for your IRSC advisor. Remember, students need to have a 3.0 GPA, as well as prove college readiness, in order to take or continue in college classes. Finish this semester strong so you do not risk losing the chance for college classes this spring!

Your ID cards are now working at the patio and west side doors from 7:15 am- 2:30 pm. Remember, students are NEVER to open any outside doors for anyone. If they belong inside Clark, they have an ID to get in or will come to the front entrance. **Keep up the great mask use, distancing, and hygiene so we can stay healthy!**

We are now accepting **donations of specific food items** to help fill the baskets for local families through Elev8hope this Thanksgiving. 1 service hour will be given for every 10 items donated. Make sure you put your name and number of items in the bag(s) so we can get you the credit. We will post in FOCUS, you do not need to submit. Deadline is Nov. 4. Thanks to **Jasmyne Echevarria and Elijah Santiago** for once

again leading this service project. Items: stuffing mix, mashed potatoes, mac and cheese, cream of mushroom soup, canned green beans, cranberry sauce, turkey gravy, cornbread mix, cake mix, and icing.

Thanks to all the staff and students who participated in this month's safety drills. We held our monthly fire/evacuation drill and active assailant drill this week. For the active assailant drill, students and staff were able to hear and see our new alert system in action and know that if their life is ever in danger, the police pull stations will alert the entire school, as well as the MCSO.

Club and Activity News

Congrats to our 20-21 SGA officers: President- Jade Nunez, Vice President- Juliana Sequeria, Secretary- Emma Boyer, Treasurer- Sam Vinci, Senior Rep- Nick Lynch and Junior Rep- Sadie Mann. We would love to have someone from the class of 2023 step up to be the representative for YOUR class!

Math Club is holding a monthly riddle contest. See attached.

From YOUR Student Government: Are you missing the social life at school you previously had? Is COVID-19 or another stressful thing getting you down? No worries, we have the solution for you! Join our "Social Hour" (sponsored by YOUR Student Government) **every Friday from 12:30-1:30 pm**. You can come to our knowledge room or join through Google Meet. Join yoo2fhn to keep up with what's happening. Today was a great kick off with lots of laughs and fun sharing. Next Friday's meet-up is "Halloween Arts & Crafts," where we will be making "Ghost Pops" and "Pipecleaner Pumpkins." Off campus students can pick up a craft bag ahead. Make sure to join the google classroom for social hour and be a part of the fun!

Interact is working hard to reach their goal of raising 1,031 by 10/31 for UNICEF. You can bring money in to any of the small boxes around school or [donate by clicking here](#). or use the QR code:



Hold phone camera up to code. Your personal donation form will open automatically.
Thank you!

Handbook Highlight

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In an effort to conserve resources, Clark is providing printed copies of report cards only by request for those who cannot access the digital version in FOCUS. See page 8 for the dates of all progress and grade reports.

Quarter 1 grades will be available in FOCUS starting Tuesday. If you completed the Online Parent Acknowledgment form after orientation and asked to receive a paper copy, it will be sent next week. Please note that only grades for classes taught by Clark teachers will be available. The grades for Clark DE (college) classes is an Interim grade and will only be posted for 1 week. Credit and final grades for DE classes is not issued until December. Please contact Dr. Judd with questions. 772-419-5758.

Info for Parents

Articles of interest:

[No Excuses – Holding Kids Accountable for Their Actions](#)

Red Ribbon Week begins next week, so I wanted to share some comprehensive information about teenagers and substance use and abuse. If you have concerns, please reach out to Ms. Jones tjones@irsc.edu for a referral for assistance and support. <https://www.addictioncenter.com/teenage-drug-abuse/>

We are ready to welcome back some parent/ community volunteers to assist at our front desk. Email sdecker@irsc.edu if you have a couple hours a week that you can help! Social distancing and facial coverings a must.

Fruit Fundraiser <https://www.floridaindianrivergroves.com/ecommerce/1020958> Visit the link, and Indian River Groves will pick and send your loved ones a citrus box in November or December. Boxes as low as \$20 (with 6.95 shipping anywhere in the US!). My favorite is the Citrus Delight: 12 Each of Navels, Grapefruit & Mandarins for \$40

Show your interest in ways to Volunteer at Clark <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f054aaaaf2da3f94-clark8>

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