

## 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**. These students are entered each month to win a gift card, as well as being recognized on the marquee on Salerno road, this newsletter, and morning announcements. This week, we recognized **William Zwarts**. William demonstrated the pillar of responsibility upon arrival to school by bike. He could have walked right past getting his temperature taken as part of the arrival process, but instead, he pointed out that it still needed to be done. Little choices demonstrate good character and we love to see students making good choices!

If you see an act of kindness or good character, make sure to email or drop a note off to Ms. Judd.

### **Shout out for recent Adopt a Class sponsors!**

Ms. Hutcheson (Debate): **Julie Rice (parent of a Clark grad)**

Mr. Escandon (English and Spanish): **Family of Reikik Amme**

Thanks to the family of **Macy McGuire and Isabella and Langley Elg** for providing our Thursday staff breakfast! Doubling up meant a great spread to enjoy!

Thanks to **Luna Kammel** for donating printer paper. Paper and post-its are always in need here.

## Announcements and Reminders

**Ms. Judd will be away** for the next 2 weeks with limited access to email. If you need anything related to student services, please email [tjones@irsc.edu](mailto:tjones@irsc.edu), attendance [gwood@irsc.edu](mailto:gwood@irsc.edu), or general needs [dkohuth@irsc.edu](mailto:dkohuth@irsc.edu)

**School picture day is next Wednesday, Sept. 9. Pre order and save \$\$\$ [www.cady.com/portraits](http://www.cady.com/portraits)**  
Anyone in a class at Clark that day will go with their class. However, those who are **remote learning from home or do NOT have a Clark class that day will need to sign up using the following link. [Sign up here](#)**. We want to capture 100% of your unmasked, smiling faces!

**Seniors** If you have not already made an appointment for your senior photo in studio (in Palm Beach County) or here on the Clark campus on September 9, please do so ASAP. If there are financial issues with the sitting fee, please reach out to [agribbble@irsc.edu](mailto:agribbble@irsc.edu) so we can arrange to still have you in the yearbook. [Make your appt here.](#)

**Hispanic Heritage Month begins Sept. 15.** We are having a school wide contest to win a gift card. Submit a PowerPoint slide that celebrates the 2020 Florida theme "Celebrating Untold Stories and Contributions of Hispanic Americans in Florida" Slides will be judged on creativity, appearance, and adherence to the theme. Deadline to submit to [ljudd@irsc.edu](mailto:ljudd@irsc.edu) is October 11. Top 3 winners will receive a gift card. Check out the state level contests [by clicking here.](#)

**Lunch ordering** must be done for the week before 8:00 am on Mondays. Order [here](#).

**From the DOH:** Some of the symptoms of COVID-19 and seasonal allergies are similar, so it may be difficult to tell the difference between them. See attached flyer to learn more. If you are sick, stay home, but remember that this option is only for temporary illnesses and if you have made a commitment to

being on campus, you should be here for every class when healthy. Returning to on campus or a change for the semester to remote learning requires parent permission.

**Summary of September’s High School Years Newsletter** (attached): Reminders/tips for open communication with teens and teachers; reassurances and support for the new school year; work habits and well-being by way of activities and actions; and volunteering from a distance – online, if need be.

**Yearbooks** are the lowest price they will be this school year, so don’t delay! Order easily online [here](#).

**Service opportunity** <https://www.wptv.com/news/region-indian-river-county/vero-beach/senior-citizens-in-vero-beach-looking-for-pen-pals> Remember that all service hours should be entered into FOCUS. Contact Ms. Jones if you need assistance.

**Club and Activity Info**

Are you interested in robotics, engineering, business, or programming? Then **SPAM Robotics** could be the activity for you! An informational meeting is being held virtually on 9/24. See attached flyer for info and link.

**It’s time to get involved at Clark! Student activities** are beginning Tuesday! See the calendar below and attached flyer to learn more. If you want to check out a club with a virtual option, email that sponsor to get the link at least 1 day before the meeting.

**The MC Library** is offering many activities of interest remotely. Check it out: <https://www.martin.fl.us/use-library-home>

**A very cool exhibit was just installed at the Elliott** that is likely of interest to students in digital design, art and engineering programs. It showcases the art of six very popular animation artists, including Carter Goodrich, and features a MAKERSPACE lab with 8 computer stations and 4 3-D printers and 2 die-cut machines. Visitors can create their own animated movies, create paper engineering projects, and design and create 3-D objects. (Flyer attached)

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<b>Week 1 Sept. 7-11</b>	<b>LABOR DAY- NO SCHOOL</b>	<b>Investment Club</b> during lunch in Room 135.	<b>Math Club/Mu Alpha Theta</b> after school in room 135.  <b>First Priority</b> during lunch in Room 110 and virtual.	<b>SGA</b> for all interested during lunch in Room 129 and virtual.
<b>Week 2 Sept. 14-18</b>	<b>Interact Club</b> 12:30-12:50 in Room 110 and virtual.  <b>NHS</b> for current members. After school. VIRTUAL only.	<b>Writing/Performance Club</b> after school in Room 132 and virtual  <b>Investment Club</b>	<b>First Priority</b>	

<b>Week 3</b> Sept. 21-25	<b>Interact Club</b>  NHS	<b>Investment Club</b>	<b>First Priority</b>	<b>SNHS</b> after school in the KR and virtual.  SGA
<b>Week 4</b> Sept. 28- Oct. 2	<b>Interact Club</b>  NHS	<b>Computer Science Club</b> in Room 128 after school.  <b>Writing/Performance Club</b>  <b>Investment Club</b>	<b>First Priority</b>	<b>Art Club/ NAHS</b> after school in the KR and virtual.  **Prom club will start mid-Oct.

### Testing Info

**SAT and ACT test dates** have been established (attached). Seats are limited at sites to allow for spacing, so don't delay if you are a junior or senior.

**FSA ELA testing for ALL juniors** who do not have SAT or ACT concordant scores on file will begin Monday 9/28. There are 3 days of testing required, which means, you will need to come to campus at times other than when you have classes. This is a graduation requirement and is only available in person. Testing days, times, and locations will be posted in the front office window and will be emailed to you no later than 9/21.

### Technology Updates

ALL students should be able to access MyPioneerPortal, Blackboard, IRSC and Clark email, and have downloaded Office 365 for free. If you haven't done all of these things, here are some helpful resources.

- For lots of info, visit our Clark Website – Technology – Crane Cornerstone segment: [http://www.clarkadvancedlearningcenter.org/p/217/blackboard#.X0\\_QjchKiUk](http://www.clarkadvancedlearningcenter.org/p/217/blackboard#.X0_QjchKiUk)
- The Blackboard Learn for Students YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLontYaReEU1seUE3ACG3sEc3zR7Br7URU>
- IRSC resource: <https://www.irsc.edu/students/remote-access-resources.html>
- A YouTube video on how to save files as Word or PDF on a Mac. This is the only thing BB will accept and open. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=McBrqACNNG4>

**AND The Clark student Tech Team is here to help!!!** If you need assistance with blackboard, office 365, Clark mail, enabling flash in chrome or other common issues and want in person assistance, visit the onsite "helpdesk" set up across from vending next week at these times: During block 3 that starts at 10:50 am Wednesday 9/9 and during block 2 that begins at 9:20 am Thursday

### **Save the dates:**

- 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent and Student Information Night (combined with Parents as Partners)- Thursday, September 17 at 6:00 pm.
- School wide assembly (live stream) on Sept. 23 at 1:00. Join us for the Character Counts! Kick off, honor roll recognition, and a Constitution Week speaker.

- Parent-student-teacher conferences will begin at 2:00 pm on 9/23. Details for signing up will be shared soon. These are designed for students who are having academic difficulties. If you just want to meet the teacher, please reach out and set up a different time for that.
- Senior Parent and Student Information Night- Tuesday, September 29 at 6:00 pm

### **Handbook highlights**

P. 7- Communication- *"It is recommended that all communication begin with the student's Clark teacher. The chart below details the procedures for communicating with the school."* Academic concerns should always start with the teacher as they are the experts in what is happening (or not happening) with students in the classroom. If concerns are not addressed a timely manner, please then reach out to Ms. Jones. Typically concerns can be resolved there. If there is still no resolution, then Ms. Judd would be contacted. Mrs. Kohuth loves talking to students and parents, but there are many people who should be contacted with concerns long before she is.

p. 10- *"Tardiness is defined as an arrival to class after the designated start time."* The handbook was written before moving offices for fall, so any student arriving late for classes needs to go be scanned in with a pass at the front desk. The grace period is ending... detentions and other consequences will begin being issued for those who are tardy to class more than occasionally.

### **Articles of Interest for Parents**

[What Were You Thinking!?! Understanding the Teenage Brain](#)

[TEENS AND PRIVACY: BALANCE IS KEY](#)

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