

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 are recognizing **Coby Flannery**. As shared by a teacher, "Coby is such a helpful classmate and responsible student on C++ computer class and is always an active participant."

Students- Make sure to email Dr. Judd or drop a slip in the front office when you see others doing random acts of kindness and character.

Many thanks to the family of **Isabella and Langley Elg** who provided a wonderful staff breakfast this week! What a wonderful treat!

While working today was not our favorite thing to do, it was made MUCH better with a delicious lunch from Toojays and amazing Easter cupcakes from G and G Sweets! This was possible thanks to a very **generous donation from the families of Verril Martinez and Connor Barral!**

Clark students were big winners at the 2021 IRSC DIGITAL MEDIA STUDENT EXHIBITION AWARDS! **Vera Rowell**: Animation-1st Place "Bunny Bounce," **Arianna Fairchild**: Photography-1st Place "Snow Globe," and **Aaron St. Aubin**: Digital Manipulation-1st Place, "Face Your Fears." Check out all of the show here: <http://dme2021-irsc.weebly.com/award-show-info.html>

Congrats to **Juliana Sequeria** who is officially a Girl Scout Gold Award recipient! This is the highest award a Girl Scout can get (think Eagle like Boy Scouts), only 5% of the nation's Girl Scouts hold this title. Her project was with service dog awareness and she will be wrapping up her time with Kevin on May 21st when he goes into advanced training. We have loved having her share Kevin with us this school year and are proud of the work you have done to earn this title, Juliana!

Last weekend was the SAISA High School Regatta in Vero Beach, Clark sailors, **Sienna Pollis** (for SFHS) and **Coby Flannery** (for JBHS), are pictured below.



The babies are back! Mrs. Bartow's students learn ALLLL about reproductive systems and anatomy each semester with some hands on learning! These "babies" were purchased through generosity of Clark parents and the adopt a class program a couple of years ago and are always a valuable experience for those who have them at home a couple of days. To start off this week, **Xander Kenney and Cindy Barillas- Farias**, smiled big under those masks... not sure they were quite as happy after a couple days though!



Announcements and Reminders

Students **MUST** sign up ahead for **school lunches**. The amount of food available depends on signing up. Link here: <https://www.martinschools.org/Page/9750> If you do not sign up before Monday of each week, you may not be able to get food from the café.

ATTENTION Juniors: Your **Internship Information Session with Dr. Bonds has been rescheduled for Thursday, April 8th**, at 6:00 p.m. The session will be held online. Plan to attend to learn about the Internship process and how to prepare for your senior Internship. Check your RiverMail account for details on registering for the session and for the link that will be sent next week. Contact Dr. Bonds if you have questions.

Third quarter report cards are now available in FOCUS. Please note that grades for college level courses are only interim and will not be finalized until after classes end on April 23. Any concerns, please reach out to your students' teachers. Remember, placement in classes next fall will be determined by test scores, GPA, and grades/ efforts in current courses. If you want college level scheduling and courses, you need to be putting in college level effort. Dual enrollment is not a guarantee.

Martin County Schools will be closed on Monday, April 5th, yet Clark & IRSC remain open. There will be no bus service, so alternate arrangements should be made to get to and from school. A pizza lunch will be brought in & served by Clark staff at the cost of \$2.50 for a slice of pizza, salad, fruit and drink. Please sign up in advance so we make sure to purchase enough. See Mrs. Decker in the office or email her at sdecker@irsc.edu to let her know your intent to purchase. Make sure you either pay her in advance or bring cash on April 5th.



April Is Autism Awareness Month!!

For those of you who don't know, Autism is a disorder that affects social skills, repetitive behaviors, speech and nonverbal communication mostly. The disorder is usually referred to as a spectrum, because it is different for everyone, with a wide range of difficulties and symptoms. Clark's Interact Club hopes everyone will help show support for the Autism community not just this month, but for many years to come!! Simple things you can do are support one of the many local foundations – like Interact is supporting The Hope Center for Autism this month!! -- and just showing kindness and understanding to

your peers!! **Interact club's change for change, as well as goodies being sold on Monday, will all be used to help purchase the above communication device for students at the Hope Center. Please consider making a special donation towards this initiative that is very meaningful to our students.**

The MCSD is looking for **students who are tech savvy** to work in their schools. See the attached flyer. This is a different program than the Clark tech team.

Reminder: high school students must receive 6 hours or more of education related to substance abuse, human trafficking, suicide awareness, and other issues related to mental wellness. **ALL students are required to complete the modules in a program called Suite 360 EVERY year of high school.** The videos and content do change from year to year, so even though you did it last year, it still needs to be done for this year. Students will log in with their Clark email address as the username and their 4300# as the password. Contact Dr. Judd with questions. <https://martin.suite360sel.org/login?return=content> If you are new to Clark this year, you may need to use your classlink info to log in.

The City of Stuart and Tykes & Teens are hosting our 4th Annual Stars Over Stuart (SOS) talent show for middle and high school youth. This is a talent show that promotes encouraging messaging and has been such a positive event in the past, as we have witnessed some amazingly talented youth! This year's event will be virtual via Zoom. I have attached the event flier First place prize is \$200.00 and the runner up prize is \$100.00.

United Way Upcoming Events for Students and Parents

Gleaning: *Saturday, April 10, 8:30 - 10:30 a.m. Gleaning is harvesting produce from local farms that would otherwise go to waste in the fields. This produce is provided to families in need through House of Hope's food pantries. Children must be accompanied by an adult. [Register online.](#)*

Community Conversation: *Wednesday, April 28, 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Topics include a presentation from Cleveland Clinic Martin Health System and an update on the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. Registration is required and limited to 100 participants. [Register online.](#)*

Hobe Sound Beach Cleanup: *Saturday, May 8, 8 - 10 a.m. Be a hand raiser and help keep our local beaches clean! Meet at Hobe Sound Beach Pavilion. Bring a drink and a garbage bag. Wear sunscreen and a Live United T shirt. Children must be accompanied by an adult. [Register online.](#)*

Zoom & Learn - Leadership Lessons from Rob Lord: *Friday, May 14, 12-1 p.m. After 23 years with the organization, Robert L. Lord Jr. announced he will retire as President of Cleveland Clinic Martin Health effective at the end of 2021. Mr. Lord will reflect on his leadership philosophy, lessons learned and his thoughts on leading the future of healthcare in a post-pandemic world. Registration is required and limited to 100 participants. [Register Online.](#)*

[Handbook Highlight](#)

Do you know what the purpose of the handbook is? It is a GUIDE to the expectations we have here at Clark. This encompasses state statutes, IRSC rules, some MCS D rules, and those unique to Clark as well. This document exists and is used because we have expectations for our students and families who **CHOOSE** to attend Clark. However, for those who do not like the expectations and rules at Clark, it is your **CHOICE** to follow them or seek other educational alternatives. This is our 17th year as a **CHOICE** school in Martin County and we have learned a lot about what works in educating teens and setting them up for academic, career, and general life success. **CHOOSING** to attend Clark means you are **CHOOSING** to abide by the expectations set forth.

With that, the handbook is shaped annually with feedback from all stakeholders and this is the time of year we begin updating our handbook for the following school year. Please take a moment to offer input as a very important stakeholder- parents AND students. <https://forms.gle/hx5C3ZZpAfHjrPpm7>

Parent Corner

Save the date for Parents as Parents (last of the year). Thursday, April 15 starting at 6:00 pm in the Knowledge Room. In addition to any important updates, Dr. Judd will be sharing safety information that all parents need to know and be aware of according to a recently released secret service report. There will also be student performances from Spanish class and the Performance club that you don't want to miss! Live stream will be available through the link on the Clark homepage.

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