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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 **Chase Demski** and **Harry Papapanos**. Chase was very kind when a classmate's laptop battery died during class and she was without a charger. He quickly offered his so she could continue working with minimal interruption. Harry is always so polite AND witty as he spreads care and humor throughout Clark. Mrs. Kohuth is thankful for his kind gesture of offering a ride back to Clark on a hot-and-humid morning from her temperature-monitoring spot... and was okay with her declining as she continues to want to get her daily steps in! Thanks to the family of **Evan McCarthy** for providing our Thursday staff breakfast! What a yummy treat!

Wear blue Monday! STOMP Out Bullying™'s signature campaign World Day of Bullying Prevention™ was held on Monday, October 5th. Check out **Kylie Becraft** and **Elizabeth Michels** in their blue shirts as they show their commitment to kindness! You can begin to change the culture by putting an end to Bullying and Cyberbullying!



Caroline Riggs was recognized at Senior night at Martin County HS. Caroline (3rd from left) has been a stellar volleyball player throughout her time at Clark and is Varsity Captain! Mrs. Kohuth was happy to see them play against TCHS last night.



Announcements and Reminders

Ring found! If you can describe it to Dr. Judd, you can happily have it back.

Contests!!!! Win stuff!!!! We still need entries for the **Clark Hispanic Heritage Month contest**. **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 is October 11. Top 3 winners will receive a gift card. Check out the state level contests [by clicking here](#).

Free food at school for ALL through December! The “Pick 3 and it’s Free” campaign will save parents money and provide more nutritious options for students. See attached flyer.

COVID-19 temperature update: We expect a continuation of self-monitoring by students and families prior to every school day for symptoms including any elevated temp, as well as self-monitoring changes throughout the school day if any symptoms are to develop and while we will continue temperature taking throughout the next two week as we have state testing for juniors and for PSAT on Oct 14 for sophomores and many/some juniors, we will move away from routine daily temperature-taking beginning Monday, October 19. Keep up the great mask use, distancing, and hygiene!

IRSC Exploration Day on is on October 14. Any students are welcome to join! See attached.

Legal Career Webinar upcoming Oct 22 at 6 pm. Plus five other college-access opportunities/workshops, including virtual sessions with three colleges. See attached.

Picture re-take day is Oct. 22. If you missed getting your picture taken for yearbook or want a second try, make sure you are here that day!

The PSAT will be held on Wednesday, Oct. 14. All grade 10 student can test for free. This is GREAT practice for the actual SAT and for those who have not earned a passing score on Algebra 1 EOC (due to not being offered last spring), as you can use your math score in place of the EOC. It is paper/pencil, so can only be given in person. Juniors need to take this for qualification for National Merit and this can also be used in place of PERT this semester for spring class scheduling. Still room available for Juniors! Email Ms. Jones if you still want to participate.

Attention Seniors and Parents! A financial aid workshop provided by Alex Arnold of IRSC will be held on Thursday, October 15th, 6-7pm. You can join the virtual workshop on either night by clicking here: <https://us.bbcollab.com/guest/a4a939652e004a778a236485a68d8058>

College Virtual Visits this week are listed below. See email from Ms. Jones for specific log in and/or pre-registration info.

Monday, October 12th 1:00pm Florida Gulf Coast University
Tuesday, October 13th 9:00am Flagler College
Tuesday, October 13th 10:00am Florida Institute of Technology
Monday, October 19th 1:00pm Florida Polytechnic University
Monday, October 26th 3:30pm University of Central Florida

Club and Activity News

Writing and Performance Club is sponsoring a short story contest (see attached)

This year’s group of selected **Safe School Ambassadors (SSA)** begin their annual training on being peer leaders at creating and maintaining a safe and positive school environment this Monday. Zoom info was sent to students, so make sure to be there. Thanks to our amazing staff sponsors, Mrs. Decker, Mrs. Gribble, and Dr. Bonds!

SGA applications to run for office are due to ahutches@irsc.edu this weekend! Join this awesome leadership group!

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

Interact Club members wrote thank you cards to members of our community who serve the public as firefighters/EMT's and as healthcare workers. This week after our Monday meeting, Interact Club President Nick Lynch dropped off a portion of the thank you notes to a representative pictured from Martin County Rescue Station 23, as well as leaving other thank you notes with a greeter at the doors of Cleveland Clinic South. We are so very grateful for the service and care that health care workers in our community continue to provide under the current response protocols and needs due to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Handbook Highlights

p. 18 under “The College Environment” section.

Make sure to schedule enough time to study. National statistics show that successful students study 2-3 hours per week for every one credit hour of the course. That means 4-6 hours of homework/reading/study time per week in addition to class time. Some classes may take more time and some may take less time.

We are seeing an alarming trend of poor grades and incidents of academic dishonesty being blamed on a student working so many hours at a part time job. Students- your #1 job right now is earning a high school diploma. This may mean reducing work hours or resigning from a current job in order to allow enough time for homework and studying.

Parents- if you rely on your student's income to help support your family, please contact Ms. Jones as she has MANY agency referrals that can help reduce that burden. Please also see the attached information on CARES money available through the United Way which provides assistance with rent, mortgage, and utility payments to those who have lost wages due to the pandemic.

Info for Parents

As we begin to look forward to ALL students and staff returning full time to campus, it is important to remember that students who have committed to in person classes do not choose to participate online instead unless they have a medical concern. That concern should be documented and reported to Mrs. Wood in attendance, as well as administration.

SAVE THE DATE for PaP on Thursday, October 15. Parents as Partners will provide a short segment as part of the second financial aid workshop on **Thursday, October 15th, starting at 6 pm**. Please join the virtual workshop using the link provided for a brief overview of Clark happenings followed by valuable financial aid information by Alex Arnold, IRSC Financial Aid Advisor. Parents/Guardians of all Clark students invited to tune in for PaP segment and beyond! Link above.

Fruit fundraiser through October 31. Don't forget to order fruit here:
<https://www.floridaindianrivergroves.com/ecommerce/1020958>

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