



IWA Weekly Newsletter
February 14, 2026

CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

WARRIORS WITH HEART





Love was in the air at school this week! Our students enjoyed fun Valentine's Day class parties, and a big thank you to the parent and grandparent volunteers who helped make the day extra special. Smiles, laughter, and sweet memories were everywhere!



Fifth Grade Has Your Back

Fifth grader Grayson N. wanted to rally his classmates and show support for his homeroom teacher, Mrs. Hovanec-Davey, who is currently caring for a family member battling cancer. Last Friday was a dressdown day, and Grayson saw the perfect opportunity to encourage his classmates to wear pink in solidarity. His open-hearted Warrior spirit not only inspired those around him, but also reminded Mrs. HD just how deeply she is loved by her students. Grayson, we are so proud of you!

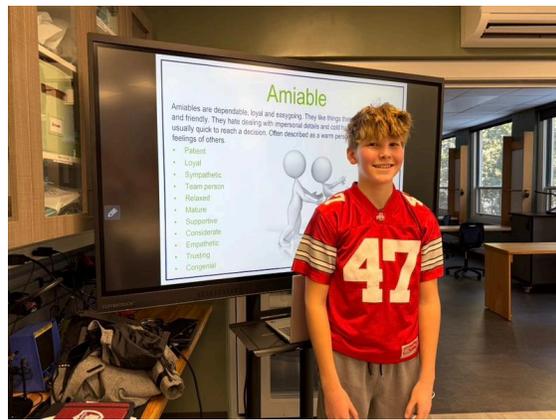


Budding Open-Hearted Entrepreneur

In Kinder Prep, Anastasia loves to make things and give them to others. She has been making hearts and decided to share them with everyone! Anastasia stood at the doorway of her classroom and asked everyone walking by if they would like a heart. What a way to live the Warrior trait of being open-hearted and bringing so much joy to others.

WE BELIEVE: *COLLABORATION MAKES US BETTER*





Building Better Leaders Together

Thank you to Josh and Kelly from the **Effective Leadership Academy** for the workshop they led with our 8th grade leaders. Students took a two question survey in order to identify their dominant personality trait and then discussed the ways they could leverage that trait when working in teams as well as ways to avoid pitfalls.

What an amazing exploration of leadership and how we can all contribute to a shared vision as leaders with the skills that allow us to be better through collaboration!



Local Entrepreneur Shares Success & Failures

Anne Johnson of [ANNE CATE](#) visited with a couple of our preparatory enrichment classes this week. Anne shared her journey to success as a creator and business owner explaining the importance of perseverance in times of failure in order to thrive. Her journey echoed our very own Warrior Design Cycle as she described the many iterations over time in continuing to perfect her brand, stay

relevant, and take risks along the way. The students are making amazing questions and we all learned so much, including more ways math and tech are helpful as a business owner.

IWA STRATEGIC PLAN



Strategic Planning Roundtables – You're Invited

You are cordially invited to participate in **Roundtable Discussions on Saturday, February 28, from 9:00 to 11:30 AM in St. Joseph Hall on the grounds of Incarnate Word Academy.** These small-group discussions will be facilitated by our Strategic Planning Counsel from Partners in Mission

This is **your opportunity to share your perspective** in critical areas such as Academics, Advancement, Admissions and Enrollment, Catholic Mission and Identity, Facilities, Finance, Governance, and Student Life.

[Click here](#) for more information about the roundtables.

[Click here to RSVP.](#)

IMPORTANT DATES

Mark your calendar with these important dates which can also be found on our calendar in Digital Academy and on our IWA App.

February 16

- President's Day- No School

February 17

- Cultural Day- Students may dress down in cultural clothing or red, white, and blue. ***This is a make-up day from Catholic Schools Week.***
- Students in 6th grade have class Mass and need to wear their Mass uniform, cultural attire, or they may ***DRESS UP*** in red, white, or blue.

February 18

- Ash Wednesday Mass @ 9 am

February 19

- PTSU Meeting @ 6:30 pm
- Prep Dance (grades 6-8) sponsored by Student Leadership Council 6-8 pm

February 20

- Dress Down for the IWA Fund
- Q3 Progress Reports sent home

February 22

- Mother Son Bowling
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Cultural Day Rescheduled

Our Catholic Schools Week Cultural Day has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 17th. Students may dress down in cultural clothing or red, white, and blue. ***This is a make-up day from Catholic Schools Week.***



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Winter NWEA MAP Testing Results

Students in grades K-8 recently completed their winter NWEA MAP testing. A copy of your child's results were sent home with your child this week. Please reach out to Mrs. Congelio if you did not receive the results.

Admissions Update & Reminder

Re-enrollment packets were sent home with students in grades K-7 on Thursday, January 29. These packets include a Personal Tuition Statement outlining each family's tuition obligations for the 2026-27 school year.

Please note the Registration/Technology Fee is due online through Digital Academy by February 13th. **This fee will increase by \$25 after February 13th.**

The K-8 Enrollment Paperwork can be accessed through your Digital Academy dashboard or by [CLICKING HERE](#).

Summer Updates & Notices at IWA



Please see [THIS COMMUNICATION](#) regarding summer improvements, summer camps and tutoring at IWA for the 2025-26 school year.



Get a bird's eye view of the clubs offered at IWA throughout the year. Registration for clubs can be found in our newsletter closer to the date when the club starts. Click [clubs@IWA!](mailto:clubs@IWA)

KINDERGARTEN SCREENING

Kindergarten screening will take place on **Monday, March 9** and **Tuesday, March 10**. Children who are currently enrolled in Kinder Prep at IWA do not need to sign up for a screening time.

Screening sign-ups are only required for children who are not currently enrolled in Kinder Prep at IWA.

Click the link below for additional information and to reserve a screening time.



[KINDERGARTEN SCREENING SIGN-UP](#)

KINDER PREP ENROLLMENT

Enrollment in Kinder Prep for the 2026-27 school year is now open! Families who do not have a child currently enrolled at IWA should also schedule a tour by [clicking here](#).

Children must be 4 years old to begin Kinder Prep. Contact Mr. Kessler for full enrollment details at gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org



[ENROLL IN KINDER PREP](#)

AVAILABLE POSITIONS

Lunch Monitor

We are currently looking for a lunch monitor to assist during our school lunch periods. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Mrs. Congelio for more information. Your support would be greatly appreciated!

Custodial/Maintenance

IWA is looking to hire a full-time custodial person to join our maintenance team. The position offers a competitive salary, benefits, paid time off, and a great work environment. If you know somebody who might be interested, please have them contact Mike Wisnor at mwisnor@incarnatewordacademy.org.

SPRING SPIRIT WEAR

Millie says, "It's im-paw-ssible to wait... time to order your spirit wear!"

Do you have a 90th anniversary t-shirt or spirit wear? This will be the last time to purchase anniversary logo items.

Be sure to check out all of the new merchandise and [order today](#). This is the last spirit wear shop until August. Orders can be placed until Sunday, March 15. At that time, all orders will be processed and delivered to the school before Easter break.

All orders are final and sent home with students named on the order.

Please contact Mrs. Bleakley if you prefer to pick up your order at the office.



BOWLING CLUB

Bowling Club is starting soon and will run on **Mondays from February 23 through May 11!** Forms and payment are due by Wednesday, February 18. Please see the attached information for details and registration instructions. 🎳

Bowling Club is available to students in grades 3-8 and runs for 11 weeks.



[CLICK FOR MORE INFORMATION](#)

PARMA HEIGHTS POOL JOB OPENING

Our friends at the Parma Heights Pool are looking for help! There are job openings for their seasonal team. Click the link below or scan the QR for the job application and support our local community!

[Job Application](#)

WE ARE HIRING!

Join our seasonal team!

CITY OF
Parma
Heights

COMMUNITY GROWS HERE

Pool Staff

- Lifeguards
- Customer Service
- Concessions
- Deck Crew
- Swim Instructors
- Assistant Pool Manager

Parks Crew

- Park Maintenance
- Umpires
- Referees
- Recreation Attendants

Application



📞 440.884.9606

🌐 recreation@parmaheights.us

DRAMA CLUB

Support the Drama Club by purchasing an ad in our program!

Looking for a splashy option that includes a photo or business logo? An **Ad** is the perfect choice. Want to wish your favorite cast or crew member good luck? A **Shout-Out** is a great way to show your support.

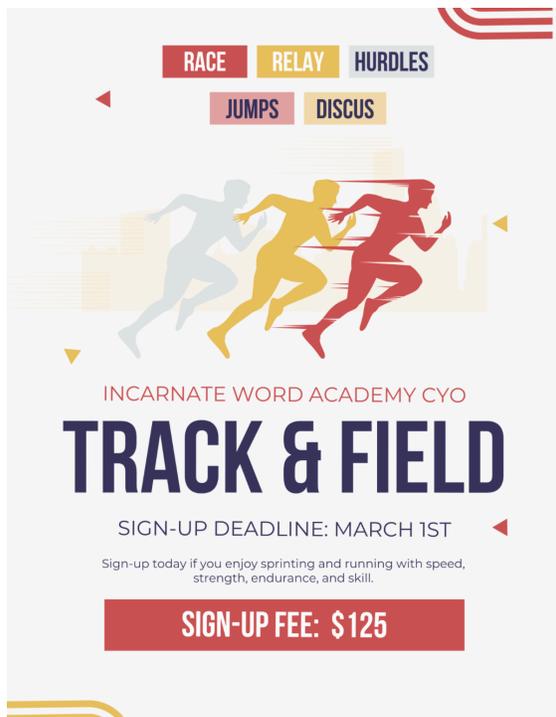
Ads and shout-outs need to be submitted by Friday, February 27th.



[PURCHASE AN AD](#)

[PURCHASE A SHOUT-OUT](#)

SPRING SPORTS SIGN-UPS



RACE RELAY HURDLES
JUMPS DISCUS

INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY CYO

TRACK & FIELD

SIGN-UP DEADLINE: MARCH 1ST

Sign-up today if you enjoy sprinting and running with speed, strength, endurance, and skill.

SIGN-UP FEE: \$125



INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY CYO

BASEBALL

SIGN-UP \$125 DEADLINE 1 MARCH

JOIN THE EXCITEMENT OF BASEBALL

Are you ready to hit a home run this season? Sign up for CYO Baseball and give your child the opportunity to learn, grow, and have fun on the field!

TEAMWORK • LEARN SKILLS • HAVE FUN

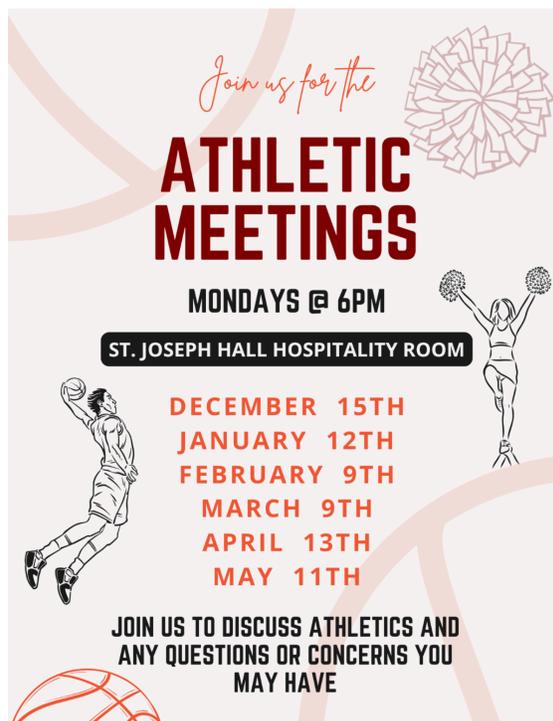
Get ready for an exciting spring season! Students can now sign up for **Track & Field** and **Baseball**. Don't miss the chance to be part of the team, build skills, and have fun representing IWA. **The deadline to register is March 1.** Click the link below to sign up today!

[SIGN UP HERE!](#)

Join us for our upcoming Athletic Association meetings! These gatherings are a great opportunity to get involved, share ideas, and support our Warrior athletic programs.

All parents and supporters are welcome. Come see how you can make a difference for our student-athletes!

- Monday, March 9th @ 6p
- Monday, April 13th @ 6p
- Monday, May 11th @ 6p



Join us for the

ATHLETIC MEETINGS

MONDAYS @ 6PM

ST. JOSEPH HALL HOSPITALITY ROOM

DECEMBER 15TH
JANUARY 12TH
FEBRUARY 9TH
MARCH 9TH
APRIL 13TH
MAY 11TH

JOIN US TO DISCUSS ATHLETICS AND ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS YOU MAY HAVE

ALUMNI UPDATE



Congrats to the following IWA Alumnae and current Padua Franciscan High School Bruins for earning the distinction of being in the Top 10 in the Class of 2026, which is determined by cumulative GPA at the end of seven semesters. On the left, Elizabeth Tuel, and on the right, Shivani Arulsevan.

Your **Warrior** Resilience and Intellect are shining through! Way to make the IWA community proud!



Are you an Incarnate Word Academy alum? We'd love to hear from you! Please take a moment, click the button below and send us an update!

[Are you an IWA alum? Click here!](#)

TREEHOUSE BEREA

Our friends at The Treehouse Berea are now offering a knitting club! This is in addition to their offerings including chess, lego, art studio, jr. robotics, minecraft, and game design!

Check out the attached flyer for more details!

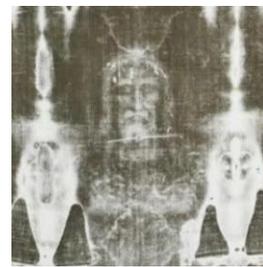
[Click here for more information.](#)



COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

The Man Of The Shroud Touring Exhibit

Coming to St Mary's Parish in Berea on February 21st and February 22nd. This event is FREE for all families. Donations are always welcomed.



Find more details on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#).

PTSU

Incarnate Word Academy



Parent Teacher Student Union

We've moved!

All PTSU related meetings, information, events, and fundraisers can now be viewed **EVERY THURSDAY** in our newly created PTSU newsletter. Find everything you need in one location!

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