



IWA Weekly Newsletter

May 11, 2025

Celebrating the Past, Present, and Future!

We extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of this year's annual Spring Fling. Your enthusiasm, generosity, and unwavering support made this event truly special. Whether you volunteered, donated, participated, or simply cheered us on, you played a vital role in strengthening our school and community. More importantly, we felt so blessed to spend an evening with the Sisters of the Incarnate Word, alumni, faculty, parents, and friends of the IWA community!



A round of applause to the dedicated committee who donated their time, talents, and efforts ensuring this event was a huge success. Much gratitude to Gabe Kessler (Director of Advancement and Admissions), and IWA parents Susie Cheraso, Rinula Vassilakis, Rachel Stepanik, Erica Nowak, and Lauren Day.





Classroom Highlights

from the desk of Mrs. Congelio



Always remember. Never forget.

As a proud Ohio Purple Star School, we host an annual Military Day event that recognizes the service and sacrifice of our

military members and their families. This event is planned and led by Ms. Shalala and the seventh grade class.

On Friday, students in grades 4-8 were wished well by our primary Warriors as they walked to St. John Bosco to start the day with a moving remembrance service. Speakers at the service included representative Rick DeChant, from NEOPAT (Northeast Ohio Foundation for Patriotism) and two student witnesses from Young Marines. Seventh grade students set a small table for one, calling to mind prisoners of war and those missing in action.

After the service, we embarked on a 5-mile Freedom Walk that passed through two cities, symbolizing our collective support and appreciation for those who serve. The walk included participation from our entire student body, many parents, and local community members, reverently displaying our honor and respect for those that protect our freedom.



I Scream, You Scream, We All
Scream for Ice Cream!



Our faculty and staff were feeling quite loved and spoiled this week as the IWA community celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week. From the delicious lunches, special treats, heartfelt notes, and handmade gifts... we were covered! Our faculty and staff truly embody and live the mission of the Sisters of the Incarnate Word, dedicating their lives to touching the hearts and shaping the minds of our students.

This week would also like to especially recognize our PTSU for spearheading many of these events and gestures. Your generous spirit and enthusiasm inspires our community!

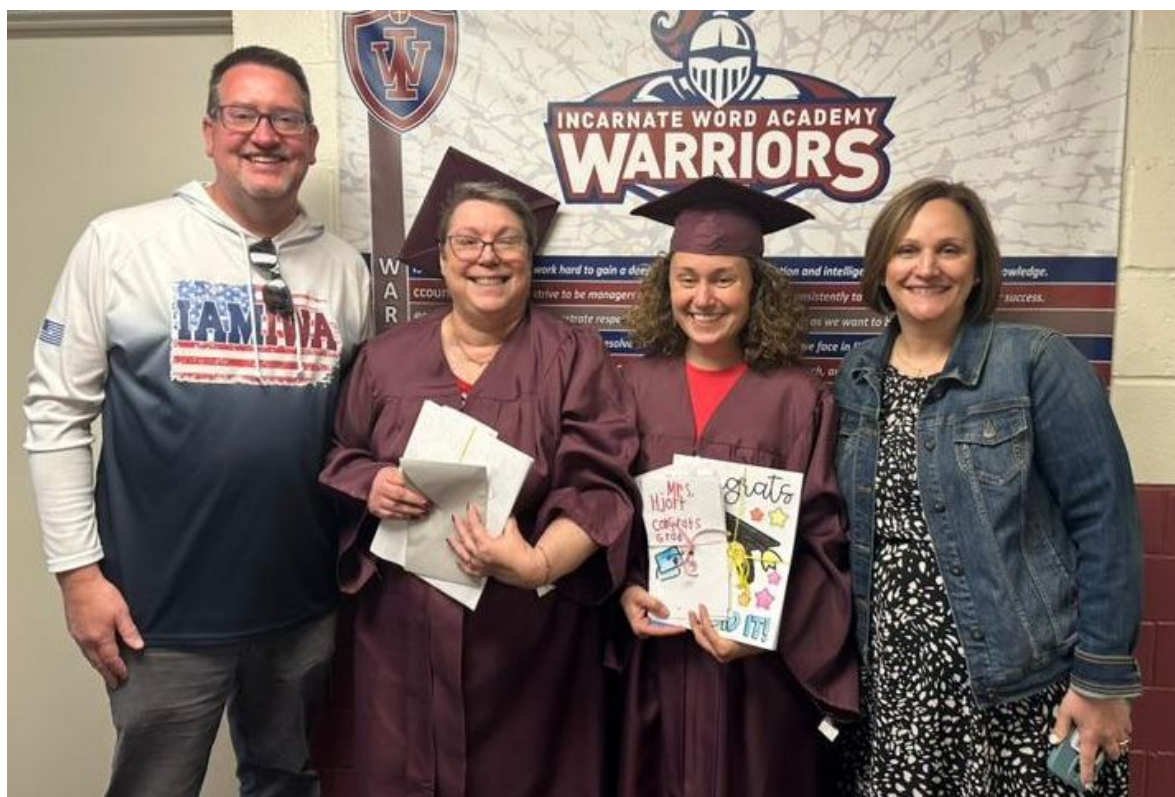
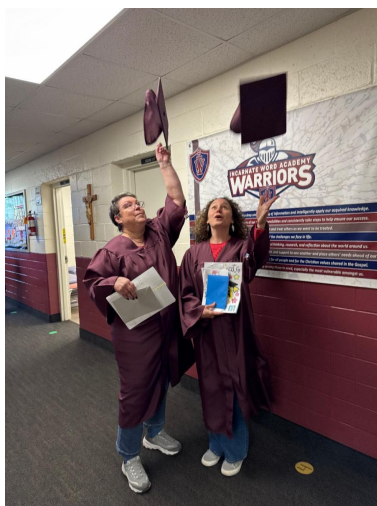


SUMMER TUTORING AND ENRICHMENT



[CLICK HERE](#) to register your child for summer tutoring or enrichment. Keep your child's skills sharp, get assistance competing summer work packets, prepare for high school placement tests and more! Registration ends on May 30th!

FACULTY & STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS



Hats Off to the Graduates!

Congratulations to Mrs. Liz Hjort, Director of Campus Ministry, and Ms. Patty Hupcey, Student Services Secretary, for their most recent accomplishments. This weekend, Mrs. Hupcey graduated with a Masters in Labor Relations and Management from Cleveland State University, while Mrs. Hjort earned her Masters in Theology from Xavier University. The school community joined together on Friday to extend a celebratory clap-out. We are so proud of their commitment and dedication to life-long learning!

IMPORTANT DATES

Mark Your Calendar!

Spring MAP Testing for grades K-8 will begin on Monday, April 28th and continue through May 15th. Your child's homeroom teacher will let you know what specific days your child will be testing.

May 12: Kindergarten Signing Day! Incoming 2025-26 kindergarten families, stop by anytime between 3:30-5:00 pm.

May 13: PTSU Meeting/Social at Michael Angelo's Winery at 7 pm.

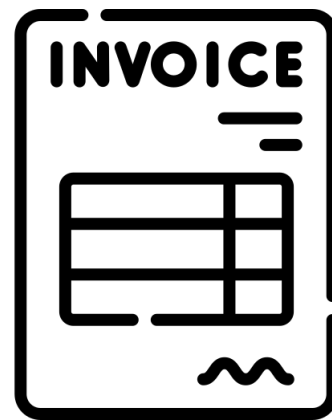
May 14: Music Concert for Grades 2 & 4 in St. Joseph Hall at 6:30 pm.

May 16: Field Day at IWA! 7th & 8th grade Dance at St. Joseph Hall at 6 pm

Due to Field Day on Friday, May 16th there will **not be a representative from Unity Catholic at school**. The last day to participate in student savers for the 2025-26 school year will be Friday, May 23, 2025.

2025-2026 TUITION INVOICES

Last week all families were billed for the 2025-2026 tuition based on the personal tuition statement from Mr. Wisnor sent home in January 2025 with enrollment information. **This invoice is due by May 30, 2025. After this date, a \$200.00 surcharge per child will be added to your account. All tuition is to be paid in full by August 1, 2025.** When you log into Digital Academy you will see a remaining balance for 2024-2025 tuition on your account. **DO NOT PAY THIS.** This is the balance of your award from the state that is paid each month. This balance will not be paid in full until June of this year. Again, do not pay this invoice. Please only select to make your payment on the description that reads 2025-2026 tuition. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Bleakley before making any payments: hbleakley@incarnatewordacademy.org.



Should you prefer to take a loan for your 2025-2026 tuition invoice you may apply for an IWA Tuition Loan through [Unity Catholic Federal Credit Union](#).

1. Go to Unity Catholic's website by clicking [HERE](#).
2. In the upper right corner, click "Apply For A Loan"
3. Select "IWA Tuition Loan"
4. Select "Individual Credit"
5. Someone from Unity Catholic will contact you to complete this process.

We ask that you sign off on the final loan documents by May 16.

KINDER PREP ENROLLMENT

Enrollment for our Kinder Prep program is open! This is a wonderful opportunity to begin your child's educational journey at Incarnate Word Academy.

Please note that your child must be **4 years old** to begin the program and a **non-refundable \$250 registration fee and 10% of tuition are required** at the time of enrollment to reserve your child's place.

If you currently have a child enrolled in Kinder Prep who will remain in Kinder Prep for the 2025-2026 year please contact Mr. Kessler.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Gabe Kessler in our Admissions Office at (440) 842-6818 x304 or by email at gkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org

[Click here to enroll in Kinder Prep](#)

2025-2026 CALENDER



The official school calendar for the 2025-2026 school year is here! Click the button below to download and review next year's calendar.

August 20 - First Day of School for Grades 1-8.

August 25 - First Day of School for Kindergarten and Kinder Prep.

[2025-2026 Parent Calendar](#)

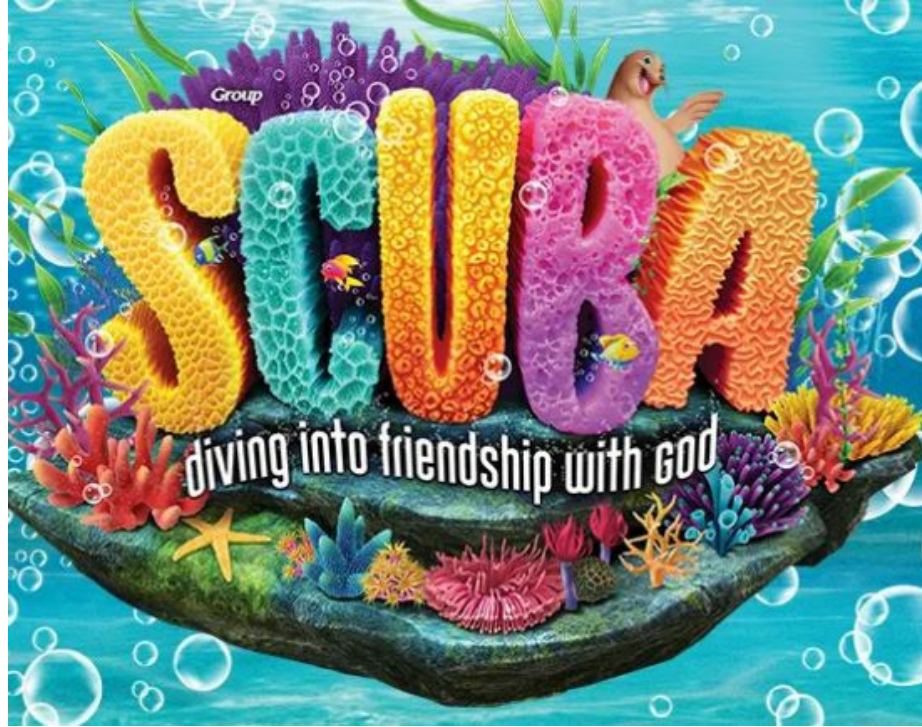
VBS AT SAINT JOHN BOSCO

Vacation Bible School at St. John Bosco is scheduled for July 14-18 in the evening.

[CLICK HERE](#)

for more information and to register. This camp is for ages preschool (POTTY TRAINED 3, 4,

and 5 year olds)
thru incoming
6th grade.



ATHLETICS NEWS

Monthly Meeting:

The IWA Athletic Association invites all parents and guardians to attend its monthly meetings which are held on the second Tuesday each month.

Our last meeting for the 2024-2025 school year is on ***Tuesday, May 13, 2025, at 7 pm in St. Joseph's Hall.***



Fall Sports Sign-ups:

It's still Spring and the school year is not yet finished. But Fall 2025 is just around the corner and that means that it's time for ***fall sports sign-ups!***

Fall sports will include Cross Country, Volleyball, Football, Flag Football and Cheer.

You may register by clicking the following links:

[Cross Country](#)

[Flag Football](#)

[Volleyball](#)

[Football](#)

PTSU NEWS

IWA's Annual Field Day is coming up on Friday, May 16—a favorite day for our students! To make it a success, we need parent volunteers for roles like classroom chaperones, game helpers, inflatable monitors, and more.

Check your chosen slot for arrival time; more details will be shared closer to the event.

Spend a fun-filled day with your child—sign up to volunteer!

Field Day 2025

Let the Games Begin!



[Click HERE to
volunteer](#)

INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY

PTSU

MAY MEETING

Come celebrate the end of the school year, by attending the PTSU meeting! ALL teachers, staff, and parents are welcome!

MICHAELANGELO'S WINERY
5515 BROADVIEW RD, RICHFIELD
13 MAY, 2025 | 7:00PM





PLEASE JOIN IWA PTSU
FOR

DAIRY QUEEN & PUTT PUTT



12980 W SPRAGUE RD.
PARMA, OH 44130



THURS **JULY 31ST**



IWA FAMILIES AND FRIENDS ARE WELCOME
BETWEEN 11AM - 9PM
A PORTION OF ALL MINI GOLF AND ICE CREAM
SALES WILL BE DONATED TO IWA PTSU. BE SURE TO
MENTION IWA PTSU AT BOTH CHECK OUTS! THANK
YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



20% OF DAIRY QUEEN SALES;
50% OF MINI GOLF GO BACK
TO IWA

BE SURE TO WEAR IWA GEAR
OR COLORS TO IDENTIFY
YOURSELVES AND MEET
OTHER FELLOW FAMILIES



2024-2025 IWA PTSU YEAR IN REVIEW

HOW WE RAISED
\$22,330

DAIRY QUEEN: \$560
FOERTMEYER & SONS MUMS: \$5,000
SANTA SHOP: \$8,440
BUTTERBRAIDS: \$4,500
SPRING CRAFT FAIR: \$2,000
DINE TO DONATE (3): \$1,460
DONATIONS: \$370



HOW WE SPENT
\$22,067

START OF SCHOOL YEAR ITEMS: \$560
TEACHER CONFERENCE MEALS/TREATS: \$1,100
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK (CRAFT/MEAL): \$670
TEACHER APPRECIATION MEAL: \$600
GAGA BALL PIT #1 JULY 2024: \$3,850
GAGA BALL PIT #2 MAY 2025: \$7,012
TEACHER WISH LIST (\$275 EACH): \$7,975
GRADUATION: \$300

GOAL FOR 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR: INDOOR/OUTDOOR RECESS EQUIPMENT,
GAMES, SUPPLIES, SUGGESTIONS?

2024-2025 IWA PTSU YEAR IN REVIEW

PTSU SPONSORED NON-FUNDRAISING EVENTS

SCHOOL SUPPLY DROP OFF/WELCOME
MOTHER SON BOWLING
FATHER SON MONSTERS GAME
MOTHER DAUGHTER YOGA
FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE
FALL FESTIVAL/HALLOWEEN EVENT
PARENT HOLIDAY DINNER EVENT
PARENT WHIRLY BALL EVENT
HOMEROOM PARENT REP ORGANIZATION
SAINT NICHOLAS DAY
THE GIVING TREE
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK
FIELD DAY FOR ALL SCHOOL
END OF YEAR PARENT SOCIAL
MONTHLY MEETINGS WITH TEACHER GUEST SPEAKER
SPRING FLING COLLABORATION
TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK
CONFERENCE MEALS & MONTHLY TREATS
CRAFT FAIR
SUNSHINE COMMITTEE
GRADUATIONS



**PTSU VOLUNTEERS WILL BE HONORED AT THE
VOLUNTEER BREAKFAST IN SEPTEMBER 2026**

THE IWA PTSU THANKS ALL OF OUR FAMILIES & STAFF WHO DONATED THEIR TIME & RESOURCES TO OUR PROGRAMS FOR THE 24-25 SCHOOL YEAR. YOUR SUPPORT MAKES THIS ALL POSSIBLE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN THE 25-26 SCHOOL YEAR! WE ARE HOPING TO EXPAND OUR PARENT PARTNERSHIP; PLEASE CONSIDER JOINING US!

ALUMNI

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!

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