



IWA Weekly Newsletter

May 17, 2025

Let the Games Begin

Field Day 2025 at Incarnate Word Academy was a huge success for all! Blessed with beautiful weather, students were able to enjoy every inch of our outdoor campus. Some of the classic stations remained such as inflatables, tug-of-war, water balloons, and the egg race. New events included a shoe toss game, the gaga pit, and dancing at the DJ station. The day ended with a winter/spring pep rally led by our Student Leadership Council.

Many thanks to our Field Day Committee for planning this amazing day: Mr. and Mrs. DeGeeter and Mrs. Harb, and to the dozens of parent volunteers! Field Day wouldn't be possible without YOUR support.



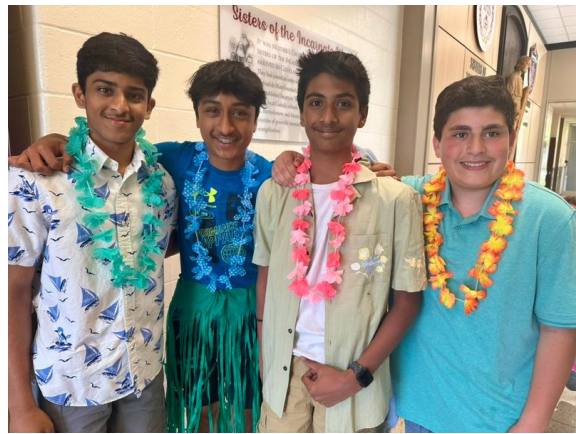






Aloha!

The Student Leadership Council Spirit Committee hosted an Hawaiian themed dance for our seventh and eighth grade students, transforming Saint Joseph Hall into a beachy paradise complete with a Shirley Temple table, Limbo, dancing, and a dinner menu that included many classic kid foods such as Chick-Fil-A, mac-in-cheese, fruit, and dessert.

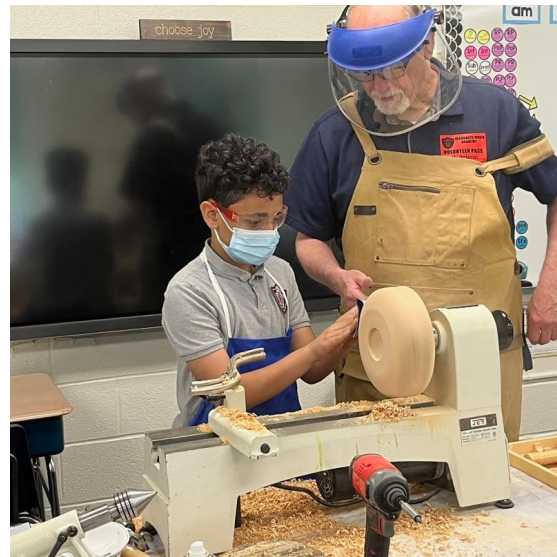
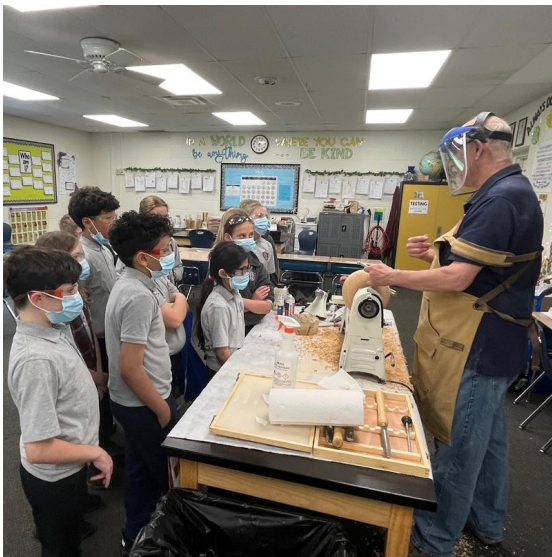


Classroom Highlights

from the desk of Mrs. Congelio

From Tree to Table

Fourth grade students in Ms. Schram's class were excited to welcome Chris Becherer, a dedicated arborist. When not caring for the health and longevity of trees, he turns salvaged wood into beautiful, hand-carved bowls. Each one tells a story, preserving the life of the tree in a new form. Mr. Becherer uses a lathe and woodworking tools to blend his knowledge of trees with the art of woodworking.



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



Congratulations, to Steffany Congelio, IWA principal! Last week she was named as a finalist for the Diocese of Cleveland's St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Award for Catholic School Leadership. Mrs. Congelio, along with 13 other leaders in the diocese, were recognized.

Finalists were chosen according to specific criteria including teacher retention rates, positive enrollment trends, and building-wide NWEA Map scores.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mark Your Calendar!

May 19: Kindergarten Family Picnic Outdoor picnic at 11:00 am

May 20: 2nd Grade Class Mass In the chapel at 9:30 am

May 21: 5th Grade Walk-A-Thon Fundraiser for Drink Local. Drink Tap. Outdoors from 12:25-2 pm. **ALL students may dress down in gym shorts or sweats and add a blue top.**

May 22: Kinder Prep Bridge Crossing In Saint Joseph Hall at 10 am

May 23: Kindergarten Graduation in Saint Joseph Hall at 7 pm

May 26: NO SCHOOL Memorial Day

May 29: Honors Assembly for 8th Grade Saint Joseph Hall at 8:30 am followed by clap-out **8th Grade Mass & Commencement** in Saint Joseph Hall at 7 pm

May 30: Grade 1-7 Last Day of School/ All School Mass at 10 am
Report Cards sent home through Digital Academy

UNIFORM DROP-OFF JUNE 6



Consider donating your child's gently used uniform items on Friday, June 6th.

It's easy: simply drive through Saint Joseph Hall and a volunteer will unload your donations from your car. No need to park!

We kindly ask that donated items are freshly washed and folded carefully. This will save considerable time for our volunteers.

UNIFORMS-R-US DROP-OFF & SALE

St. Joseph Hall

June 6, 5-7 pm

Used Uniform Donation Drop Off

July 26, 1-3 pm

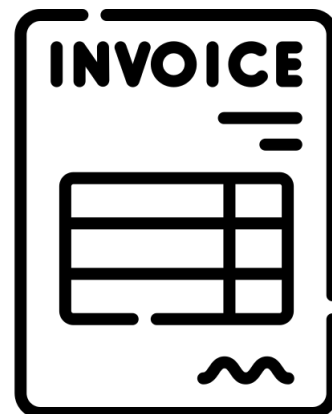
Used Uniform Sale #1

August 6, 5-7 pm

Used Uniform Sale #2

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](#)

ATHLETICS NEWS

6th Annual Golf Classic

Mark your calendars for the IWA Athletic Associations 6th Annual Golf Classic on Friday, September 19 at Ridgewood Golf Course.

Additional details and registration to follow.



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 it's time for ***fall sports sign-ups!***

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

Register by clicking the following links:

[Cross Country](#)

[Flag Football](#)

[Volleyball](#)

[Football](#)

[Cheer](#)

PTSU NEWS



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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