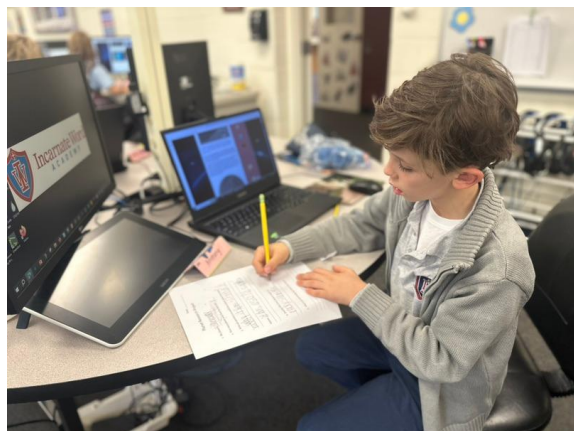
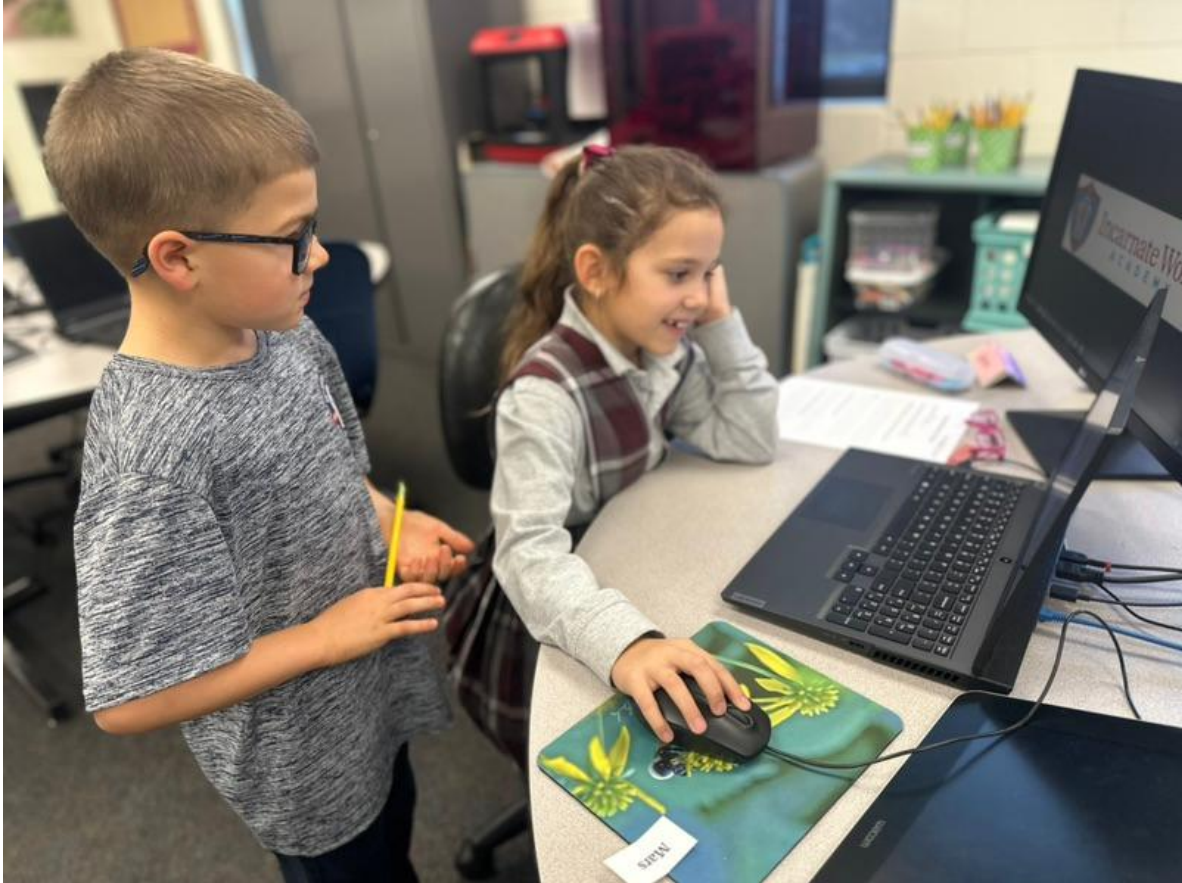




IWA Weekly Newsletter
November 22, 2025

CLASSROOM HIGHLIGHTS

WE BELIEVE: *LEARNING IS INTENTIONAL*



CROSS-CURRICULAR LEARNING

Second grade students in Mrs. Battaglia's computer class spent time researching animals in quarter one, using their information to code with a program called Scratch. This quarter they continue to research, shifting their focus on the planets. Rather than coding their findings, they will create a PowerPoint presentation that requires them to insert clipart, create titles and text, utilize animation, and present their work.

During their most recent class, the students began this project by researching their planet. Using a graphic organizer provided by the teacher, the students had to answer various facts, as well as create one question they wanted to explore, pertaining to their planet.

There was lots of excitement in the room as the students found out which planet they would be researching throughout this cross-curricular unit! Conversations could be heard in the room amongst the students discussing topics such as Celsius versus Fahrenheit, moons, the order of the planets, and how to recognize

reputable websites that will provide accurate information. Awesome work, second grade!

WE BELIEVE: *COLLABORATION MAKES US BETTER*

STEM Residency at IWA

IWA participated as an Ohio STEM Learning Network (OSLN) residency site for schools enrolled in the OSLN Fostering STEM program, which allows schools who are curious about stem practices to visit designated schools in the state, spending an entire day immersed in their building.

As a part of this program, we hosted many schools from throughout the state on Thursday. The STEM residents engaged in classroom observations, witnessed teacher planning sessions, met with community partner Jeremiah Myers from the Cleveland Museum of Art, and engaged in conversation with our students and faculty.

The residents started the day greeted by our student ambassadors, who were eager to share all of the great things happening at IWA as they led them on a tour throughout the building. Our Girls Who Code club helped the guests create personalized name tags, using unplugged coding.

Overall, the experience was mutually rewarding for our guests and school community, as new relationships were developed and STEM conversations and practices were shared by all!

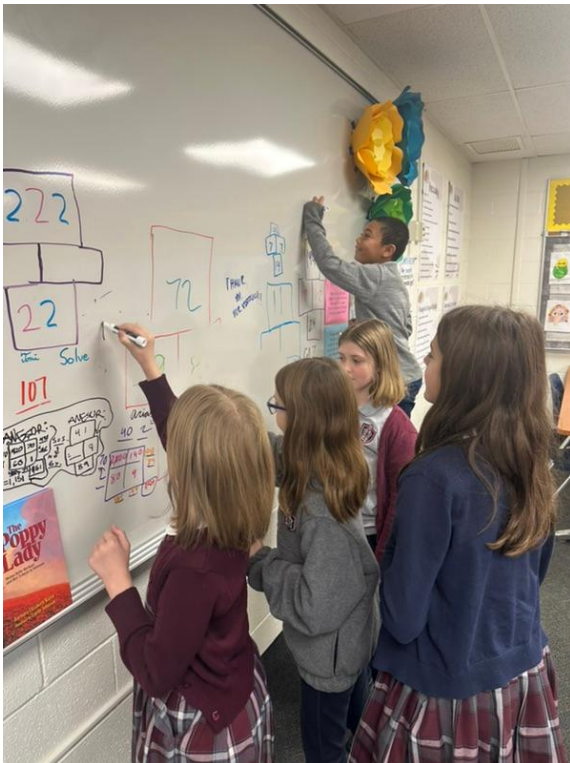
Resident schools included: Cleveland Metro Schools, St. Martin de Porres, Laurel School, Heartland Christian School, and Southside Academy.



Unplugged coding to create personalized name tags with Girls Who Code!



Observing teacher planning session with Director of Innovation and Technology, Mrs. Micheli and IWA art teacher, Mrs. Kovacs.



Impromptu demonstration by our 4th grade students showcasing their **Productive Talk** strategies in math



Eighth grade students Yurii and Luke sharing their **Genius Hour** project in Mr. Havel's class. Yes, this that's a cannon

class.

device and a Mr. Havel target!

Case Western Reserve University (CWRU) Students Lead Learning at IWA

Yesterday, our third grade students in Mrs. DeLuca and Mrs. Salk's classrooms hosted Preventive Medicine for Kids, a CWRU student organization committed to teaching kids about health and wellness. Their mission includes empowering children to advocate for themselves in health situations.

The CWRU students set up a health fair throughout the building, inviting small groups to visit each station and learn how to form healthy habits now to prevent the development of chronic illnesses later in life. The third graders emerged in hands-on, captivating activities that hopefully plant the seed to make healthy choices now and for years to come.





WE BELIEVE: *OUR PAST INSPIRES OUR FUTURE*

The Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament are examples of women who have made incredible contributions to the world, inspiring all of us to leave our legacy as well.



Today, we congratulate the following prep students for their acceptance into Junior Achievement of Great Cleveland's **SHE LEADS** program. This newly formed program partners 7-12th grade female students with mentors as they consider career pathways and so much more! SHE LEADS include students Molly D., Olivia G., Shri P., Laya J., Quinn O., and Eniksha B.

The year-long program kicked off this week at MAGNET and the keynote was 19 News in the Morning's Shannon Smith with the idea of power and confidence.

What an amazing experience!





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.

November 24-28

- NO SCHOOL- Thanksgiving Break

December 1

- Advent Praise and Worship Night

December 2

- Day of Giving
- Christmas Around the World and other holiday traditions

December 5

- Picture Retake Day
- Talent Show Auditions



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!](#)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS FROM THE OFFICE

Attendance:

It is that time of year when many children are sick. If at any time of the evening or

night you know your child is not going to attend school the next day, go to the IWA app, click attendance and complete the form. This is sent to all of the office staff and the homeroom teacher will be notified. **Please refrain from emailing one particular person in the office or only the homeroom teacher.**

Per the Parent/Student Handbook: Absence

If a student is absent, his or her parent/guardian must call the Attendance Office at 440- 842-6818 Ext. 305 to report the absence or complete the Attendance Form on our IWA App. Parents may email the Attendance Office, please do not email the teacher. If the Attendance Office does not receive a call, parents will be contacted at home or work. In the event no one is available in the Attendance Office a message may be left on voicemail. Please give the following information when calling: name of student, homeroom number or teacher, reason for absence, and your name with a phone number where you can be reached. *Upon return to school after an absence of more than 3 days, a doctor's note is required.*

Finances:

Now that we are well into the second quarter of the school year all outstanding balances in Digital Academy need to be paid. It is important we are all current for supplies, extended day and other related items. Please know unpaid invoices will be subject to a late fee.

IWA DAY OF GIVING

Early Giving is Open!

Catch up on our belief statement videos—*Faith Is Our Foundation* and *Learning Is Intentional*—using the links below. Stay tuned for Tuesday's release of *Collaboration Makes Us Better*.

Join us on Monday, December 2, for a full day of hourly challenges that amplify your impact. Thank you for supporting IWA and our mission!

Thank you to Joseph F., Shri P., Christopher O., Zuriel B., Sam G., Maia C., Harper H., and Grace F. for starring in our video this week, *Learning is Intentional!*



[Give Now](#)

[Dec 2 Hourly Challenges](#)

[FAITH IS OUR FOUNDATION](#)
[LEARNING IS INTENTIONAL](#)

ONLINE SPIRITWEAR STORE FOR CHRISTMAS IS OPEN!

Have you started your Christmas shopping yet? Have you made a list, need to check it twice for sweatpants, hoodies, sweatshirts or any IWA spiritwear? Many items available with the 90th

anniversary or IWA logo. Now is the time to check out the new online shop. It is open until midnight Sunday, November 30, 2025. All orders will then be processed and delivered to the school before Christmas break.

Should you prefer to pick up your order in the school office, email Patti Hupcey



@phupcey@incarnatewordacademy.org. Otherwise, all orders are delivered to the student's homeroom upon arrival.

Please note **ALL SALES ARE FINAL**. Enjoy shopping for spiritwear and making your holidays more enjoyable.

[CLICK HERE TO SHOP](#)

WE BELIEVE: FAITH IS OUR FOUNDATION

JOIN US FOR AN ADVENT

PRAISE *Night* WORSHIP

DECEMBER 1 | 06:00 PM

2nd Floor Chapel at IWA

INCLUDING ADORATION, LIVE
MUSIC, AND A REFLECTION FROM:

Fr. Chris Catone '12

Step away from the rush of daily life and join us for a peaceful evening of prayer and reflection—a time to slow down and ready our hearts for Advent. Whether this is familiar to you or brand new, you're invited to come and be part of it — all are welcome!

RSVP is appreciated so that we may plan accordingly.

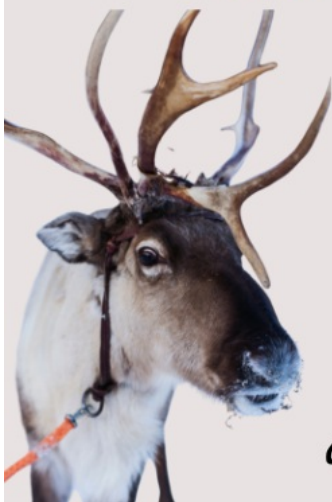
[Click HERE to RSVP.](#)

CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD
and other holiday traditions

Christmas Traditions around the World



Tuesday, December 2
Saint Joseph Hall
6-7:30 pm



*Get your picture
taken with
Santa
and his reindeer!*



KINDER PREP & KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSE

Spread the word! Our Kinder Prep & Kindergarten Open House is coming up. Anyone with children not currently attending IWA who will be ready for Kinder Prep (4 years old) or Kindergarten (5 by the first day of school) for the 2026-2027 school year is encouraged to attend.

Please bring your children as this open house will feature Candy Land themed activities for the kids while parents have the opportunity to meet our teachers and learn more about the program.

Questions? Email Mr. Kessler at jkessler@incarnatewordacademy.org

[CLICK HERE TO RSVP](#)



DRAWING CLASSES AT IWA- Grades K-5



Drawing

Classes for Kids



Young Rembrandts

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NEW LESSONS EVERY SESSION!

JOIN US AT INCARNATE WORD ACADEMY!

Young Rembrandts students will flex their artistic muscles with an exciting lineup of drawing lessons. We'll warm up with whimsical Winter Birdhouses and a festive birthday cake—perfect projects to spark imagination. Budding artists will take on dynamic challenges like a Snowboarder, adorable Llamas, and a Young Rembrandts take on Grant Wood's American Gothic. We'll wrap things up with a blend of elegance and graphic design in imaginative lessons like Trolls at Home. Don't let the winter blues stick around—enroll your artist today and make this season a masterpiece!





THURSDAYS
2:45pm - 3:45pm
1/8/26 - 3/26/26



TUITION
\$176.00
(11 Week Session, NO
CLASS on 3/5)



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VOTE FOR OLIVIA FOR BEST PERFORMER IN A MUSICAL

Our very own Olivia G. '26 has been nominated for "Best Performer in a Musical" for her outstanding performance as Annie in Annie at Cassidy Theatre! You can help us by voting for Olivia at the link below.

Cast your vote here:

<https://www.broadwayworld.com/cleveland/awards/>

You can select "no nominee" for any categories you're

unsure about. The “Best Performer in a Musical” category is a few sections in—let’s show our support for Olivia!



TALENT SHOW AUDITIONS



**GRADES
K-8**

★ TALENT SHOW ★

SPONSORED BY THE IWA
PERFORMING ARTS BOOSTER CLUB

JAN. 30, 2026



**AUDITIONS
DECEMBER 5 @ 2:45 PM**

SAINT JOSEPH HALL

**REHEARSALS:
JAN. 23 & 29 2:45-5:30 PM**



[SIGN UP HERE](#)

FOR MORE DETAILS, [CLICK HERE](#)

TREEHOUSE BEREA

The Treehouse Berea offers a variety of art & technology classes for kids aged 6 to 14. Space is limited, sign up today!



ART & TECHNOLOGY CLASSES FOR KIDS, AGES 6 TO 14!

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DECEMBER CLUBS & EVENTS!

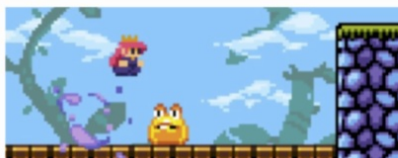
GAME DESIGN CLUB

ages 6 to 12

Wednesdays, 5pm - 6pm

December 3rd, 10th, 17th

\$75 per student, 10 student limit



ART STUDIO CLUB

ages 6 to 12

Thursdays, 5pm - 6pm

December 4th, 11th, 18th

\$75 per student, 10 student limit



POKEMON GAME NIGHT!

ages 6 to 12

Friday December 12th

6pm - 7:30pm

\$35 per student

limited to 8 students



BATTLE BOTS LAB!

ages 8 to 12

Saturday December 13th

10am - 12pm

\$45 per student

limited to 8 students



MINECRAFT MARS MISSION!

ages 6 to 12

Saturday December 13th

1pm - 3pm

\$45 per student

limited to 10 students

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WHAT IS THE TREEHOUSE?

We are a local family-owned business providing STEAM-based enrichment experiences for ages 6 to 12! We are ODE-licensed educators with over 10 years of experience teaching and inspiring K-8 learners.



SKI CLUB SIGN-UPS



Students in grades 3-8 are invited to join the IWA Ski Club! Each week, students will be transported to Boston Mills by bus for a night of FUN beginning January 9. No experience is necessary. **Registration closes on December 12th.**

Questions? Contact Robert Landry at landrystrk@aol.com

[CLICK HERE](#) for more details and registration information.

ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION NEWS

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, December 15th @ 6p
- Monday, January 12th @ 6p
- Monday, February 9th @ 6p
- 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

The poster features a basketball player on the left and a cheerleader on the right, both in black and white line art. A large, stylized red 'W' is in the background.

ALUMNI UPDATE

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!](#)

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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