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Hurricane Relief and The Irvington Way: Be Involved

Hurricane Harvey's record-breaking flooding has cast a wide swath of suffering. The affected areas of southeast coastal Texas will be years in rebuilding. Central Indiana is so far away from this catastrophe, yet we are connected to our Texas sisters and brothers by virtue of being Americans and members of the human family.

Time and again when people visit our schools, we hear that the "vibe" is so different from other schools. *The kids are so friendly. The kids are so happy.* And some visitors even seem to be most astonished at the high school, where they experience that *the students are so polite.* This vibe is real yet isn't something that's accomplished overnight. So many factors go into it. This includes parents holding their children accountable for their behavior and academic performance in partnering with their schools. What's more, raising and teaching children is a matter of the heart – that is, in cultivating a caring heart. I often mention in meetings I attend that I wish the Indiana Department of Education would rate our schools on character development and how our students turn out in the "fine human being" category. I think Irvington Community Schools would ace that rating.

Students and staff would like to reach out to the people in Harvey's path and raise some money to send to a relief organization. Although there are many, we decided upon the Salvation Army as the recipient of funds that will be collected at all three ICS buildings next week on a school-specific jeans day. In one of my former lives, I worked for what is now the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. While there, I learned much about the reputations and efficacy of relief agencies. I will refrain from sharing what I learned about one of the best known agencies and its questionable management of funds and how it accounts for itself in the field. But I will say that the Salvation Army is highly respected by those in the emergency management profession. The Salvation Army gets "boots on the ground" quickly, keeps its doors open to all comers as long as need be, and has very low administrative costs so that the vast majority of every dollar contributed goes directly to disaster relief and the people who need help the most.

This spirit of caring shown for those suffering so far away by our school community is yet another of the many reasons I am so honored to work among you. Truly, this gesture of concern for Hurricane Harvey victims shows we get what being involved is all about. That's the Irvington Way. – Tim Mulherin, Your ICS CEO

Ravens Ride to Support ICS Art and Music Programs



Our second annual ICS Ravens Ride – a benefit ride to raise funds to support Irvington Community Schools' art and music programs – takes place on Saturday, September 23. Registration runs from 8 a.m. – 11 a.m., with kickstands up immediately thereafter. "Bikers Breakfast" (coffee and donuts!) will be served, and a prize drawing will take place. The cost is \$25 per rider or \$40 for "two up." The ride concludes at Harley-Davidson of Indianapolis on 96th Street, where lunch and entertainment will be provided. Last year, nearly 90 riders came out to support ICS, resulting in \$4,000 to benefit children's art and music

education. Great cause, great people, great fun – what could be better! To register for the event (and guarantee your T-shirt size), go to www.ics-charter.org. And be sure to visit the Ravens Ride Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/ravensride/>. Questions? Contact Tim Mulherin at tmulherin@ics-charter.org.

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THE
IRVINGTON
WAY

Be Respectful Be Responsible Be Safe Be Involved Be Focused



Monday, August 28th

No school!

Tuesday, August 29th

Beef Penne Pasta

Broccoli

Assorted Fruit

Wednesday, August 30th

Chicken Nuggets W Roll

Baked Beans

Assorted Fruit

Thursday, August 31st

Mini Corn Dog

Carrots

Assorted Fruit

Friday, September 1st

Pepperoni Pizza

Sweet Corn

Assorted Fruit

Breakfast is Served at IPA!

Breakfast is available every school day at IPA.

IPA Athletics

Congratulations to our sports teams for a great start to the season!

SCHOOL IDS

Beginning August 11th, all students at IPA should have a school ID. These are used for identification and for purchasing lunch. Students are to wear their ID at all times around their neck to help keep our school safe and to be able to easily identify students and staff.

ENROLLMENT REFERRAL REWARDS PROGRAM

The Irvington Community Schools Enrollment Referral Program is all about building *your* school community. Here's how it works:

- The referred student must be enrolled through the end of the first semester (December 20, 2017). Eligible referrals include new students or returning students who withdrew from ICS more than one year ago.
- Eligible participants in referring students include ICS students, parents/guardians, and employees.
- Successful referrals will result in a \$50 iTunes or Starbucks gift card!
- The enrolling student cannot live in the same household as a current ICS student.
- The enrolling student's family must identify the referring party upon submission of the enrollment application.
- This program is open to referrals of new applicants only. Referrals of students who were on the waitlist prior to August 11, 2017 are not eligible.
- The program ends December 20, 2017.

Note: ICS currently has a limited number of immediate openings in 2nd, 5th, and 6th grades, and some availability in high school (9th-12th). All other grade levels are full and have waiting lists of varying lengths, which we are working through as seats become available. New applicants will be placed on the waiting list in those grade levels. The sooner an enrollment application is submitted, the better the odds are of getting a seat within our school this year.

Raven of the Week



This week's Raven of the Week is Lucas Kappes! He was nominated by Mr. Uhlman, who said *"Lucas maintains a full schedule of classes, while at the same time being involved in student council as the President of the Student Body, and at the same time helps Captain the soccer team. Lucas leads by example, never asking anyone to do a job that he hasn't or won't do. He does anything that will help his fellow classmates or teammates, and he truly embodies the*

Irvington Way." Other nominees so far this year are Everardo Garcia, Angelo Reil, Cypriani Oliver, Rune Jensen, Jason Mayes, Kasey Russell, and Jairoh Alford.

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