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The IUS Newsletter



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Learning Lights the Way



Another school year is zooming by. Three quarters of school is complete with one quarter to go. This quarter is critical because the school becomes dual faceted and focuses on the last remaining quarter while projecting plans into the next school year.

One of the critical features this month will be the 09/10 re-registration/pre-registration. All students who will be enrolled with us for SY 09/10 will need to be registered (again). This process is critical to our ability to properly plan for the upcoming school year. Staffing, class sizes, number of classes per grade and course offerings are all impacted. Please ensure you make a point to come by to complete the registration process. More information on re-registration/pre-registration is contained in this newsletter.

Another important point to consider as you make plans is the DoDDS-Europe Early Withdrawal Date. This is the earliest date students can be withdrawn from school and still receive a semester credit. May 14 is the Early Withdrawal Date for this semester. Families who are PCSing and plan to utilize the Early Withdrawal acceleration for credit need to contact the school as soon as you are aware of your plans. Only students involved in high school courses for credit need to accelerate.

Finally, we would like for you to consider joining us for lunch. This is the Month of the Military Child – an important reminder of our mission. Please take time to visit your child during lunch during the week of 13-17 April.

Raynard Eddings
Principal

Lucille Sutherland
Assistant Principal

Summer Enrichment Program

The Department of Defense will be offering a special four-week program (**June 22-July 17**) for Space-Required DoDEA students currently in Kindergarten through 8th grade. This half-day Summer Enrichment Program (**0900-1200**) will allow students to experience a variety of engaging, theme-related activities emphasizing math and language arts skills. This special program is provided at no cost to DoDEA families. ***THIS IS NOT A REMEDIAL PROGRAM.*** **Parents/Sponsors must arrange for student transportation to and from the Summer Enrichment Program.** The application should be turned into the office no later than **April 15th**.

Apr. 02: PTSA General Mtg. MPR, 1800

Apr. 02: End of 3rd Quarter.

Apr. 03: Teacher work day. Spring Break for students.

Apr. 04: ACT, HS Media Center, TBA.

Apr. 04-12: Spring Break. No Instruction.

Apr. 13: Instruction Resumes. 4th Quarter begins.

Apr. 14-17: Pre-registration, for all grades.

Apr. 14-16: PTSA "Bag Lunch" event.

Apr. 16: SAC meeting, HS Info. Ctr. 1500.

Apr. 16: NHS/JNHS Induction, MPR, 1730.

Apr. 17: Early Release ES, conferences.

Apr. 20-24: MUSS to Germany.

Apr. 23-26: Incirlik @ Ankara.

Apr. 30-May 03: Ankara @ Incirlik.

May 01: Early Dismissal, 2:45, Unit Sch.

May 02: SAT, HS Info. Ctr., TBA.

May 06-08: AP Testing.

DoDEA K-8 Summer Enrichment Program 2009

Registration Form

Incirlik Unit School

22 June thru 17 July

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Parents/Sponsors must arrange for student transportation to Summer Enrichment Program sites.

To register your child for the 2009 Summer Enrichment Program, please complete the information below and return this form to your school's main office by **April 15th** – ***There will be no late registration.***

You will receive a confirmation notice the week of **June 15th**.

Student Name: _____

Age: _____ Current Grade Level: _____ Student is Space-Required _____

Please initial

Address: _____

Home Phone Number: _____

Emergency Contact Phone Numbers (*parent work, cell phone, neighbor etc.*):

1. _____ 2. _____

Parent Name: _____

Sponsor's Unit: _____ Branch _____ Deployed? Yes No
(*Army, Navy, AF, Marines, CG. Civ*) (*please circle*)

Attendance Policy:

In order for students to meet with success and get the most benefit from this program they need to be present everyday. A limited number of spaces are available. **Students who are registered but do not attend are depriving other students of the opportunity to participate.** Except for illness and emergencies, ***regular attendance is required.*** DoDEA takes this matter seriously. Area Deputy Directors and Installation Commanders will be notified of all students who register but do not attend.

Participation Contract: I agree to abide by the Summer Enrichment Program 2009 Attendance Policy.

Parent Signature Student Signature

School Pre-Registration Guidelines for Every Parent

Incirlik Unit School

This information is to familiarize parents with the DoDDs re-registration process.

The re-registration process is a requirement for all returning students, in all DoDDs schools, regardless if your child(ren)) will be completing the school year or not. This is to ensure we have an approximate accountability of students for the upcoming school year. This process is done every year around spring time (hence the term "Spring Registration"). Registration is for Kindergartners (new students) combined with re-registration for returning students (all current students who will be here next school year).

There is a misconception that you can now re-register you child(ren) online. **Parents need to physically come in to the office**, look over their child(dren)s 600 Form (enrollment document), make changes, if any, and sign to validate that their child(ren) will be returning, and that all information is correct.

Verifying information is an extremely important part of this whole process. Updating phone numbers, contact information, cell phone numbers etc. is vital, to ensure we are able to get a hold of parents or designated emergency contacts in case of an emergency.

Lastly, when you are **getting ready to PCS out**, please notify us by coming into the office and filling out a withdrawal request form. **We need at least 2 weeks notice**, a copy of the sponsors PCS orders, and a forwarding address. This two weeks notice allows us to clear your child(ren) from the nurse, library, cafeteria, lockers, etc. Making arrangements with the teacher is not considered notification.

For your reference I've attached the Spring Registration information. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you.

v/r

S. M.

Administrative Assistant

Incirlik Unit School

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“Team Incirlik...Ensuring Freedom’s Future”

Incirlik Unit School

Spring Registration for SY 2009-2010

When: April 14, 15, 16, & 17

Where: Elementary School Office

Time: 0800-1500

Sure Start Eligibility – must turn 4 by September 1, 2009

Kindergarten Eligibility – must turn 5 by September 1, 2009

Required documents for registration:

- Copy of Sponsor’s Orders (All new students)
- Birth Certificate or passport (Sure Start, Kindergarten and new First grade students only)
- Current shot record (All new students)
- Social Security Number(All new students)

Returning students for SY 2009-2010 must re-register

- Provide a copy of sponsor’s orders if there has been a change in DEROS
- Update address and contact information

Contact: S. M. @ 676-3109

IUS School Improvement Process in Action

From the MS/HS Counselor—D.C.



SAT

The final opportunity to take the SAT here at Incirlik Unit School will be May 2 with an on-line registration deadline of March 31. All juniors and seniors are encouraged to take this test if they have not already done so. Please contact the school counselor for registration information.

ACT

The final opportunity to take the ACT will be June 13 with an on-line registration deadline of May 8. Please contact the school counselor for registration information.

AP Testing

Test dates:

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| • Calculus | Wed | May 6 | morning beginning 8am |
| • English Lit | Thursday | May 7 | morning beginning 8am |
| • US History | Friday | May 8 | morning beginning 8am |

From the Elementary School Counselor—L.D.



Guidance in April and May will center on developmentally appropriate friendship skills. Topics covered include: Making and keeping friends, mutual respect, conflict resolution, problem solving and bully prevention.

Students are using a variety of media (art, music, literature, and dance) to extract critical information from the lessons and apply them to their own lives.

The week of May 18th Kindergarten-5th graders will celebrate IUS friendship week.

IUS School Improvement Process in Action

Continuing to Think and Act on Nutrition— Nurse T.C.



March was National Nutrition Month. It is very important for parents to *model* and *teach* healthy eating habits to their children.

We are now working on our local School Wellness Policy. The District has provided us a model, and the plan is to adjust it to our local school and community needs and resources. Lots of good things are happening now in our school, but we need to take a fresh look at how we ALL support and practice a healthy lifestyle.

It basically involves more emphasis on **Nutrition and Fitness** for our students in order to prevent the high numbers of childhood obesity, by focusing on a healthier lifestyle for us all.

We will form a committee and will need a parent to volunteer for that as well.

Also, any thoughts or ideas are most welcome!!



Water and Rest

To calculate how much water you should drink try this web URL:

<http://www.nutrition.about.com/library/b1hydrationcalculator>

Children 6-9 years old need 10 hours of sleep

Children 10-12 years old need 9 hours of sleep

Teens need 8-9.5 hours of sleep

For parents with younger children, take this quiz to determine if your child is getting enough sleep:

<http://www.parents.com/toddlers/sleep/101/is-your-child-getting-enough-sleep/>



IUS School Improvement Process in Action

Congratulations to the following students whose work has been recognized!



Through the Arts

Congratulations to M. H!! She participated in the “All European Music Festival” in Wiesbaden Germany. Here she is receiving her award from Mrs. M. P. for 2nd place in the Air Force-wide Talent Contest.

SHOWCASE 2009

- J. H. (Art) – 1st
- I. R. (Art) – 1st
- M. W. (Poem) – 2nd
- I. B. (Poem) – 3rd
- J. M. (Art) – 5th
- A. Y. (Prose) – 7th
- D. P. (Art) – 10th
- B. M. (Art) – 11th



African American Heritage Contest Winners

High School

- 1st Place – D. P.
- 2nd Place – Y. E.
- 3rd Place – V. H.

Middle School

- 1st Place – M. S.
- 2nd Place – T. G.
- 3rd Place – F. M.

Elementary Essay

- 1st Place – G. A. U.
- 2nd Place – J. E. W.
- 3rd Place – B. G.

Coloring Contest

- 1st Place – E. T. C.
- 2nd Place – S. J. F.
- 3rd Place – B. C. E.



IUS School Improvement Process in Action

LeadAmerica Winners



Congratulations to our students here at Incirlik Unit School for receiving a certificate and invitation to *LeadAmerica*. *LeadAmerica* is dedicated to inspiring and empowering the world's youth to achieve their full potential by instilling in them a sense of purpose, integrity, self confidence and personal responsibility.

J. M.

S. C.

P. G.

B. M.

A. B.

M. R.

A. Y.

B. H.

D. R.

L. G.

Yu-gi-oh/ Pokémon Club Opens Its Doors!



Incirlik Unit school's, third through fifth graders, get to relax during a fun-filled Friday afternoon by strategizing their wins during their Yu-gi-oh or Pokémon duels. Mrs. R. opens up her room to an hour session each week, so that students can enjoy their games, while building their strategies toward securing a win.



“The beauty of this kind of club is that it was brought into place because of one student's interest in starting the club,” says Mrs. R. “The other important factor is that it supports the interest of the primary school

learner in an arena that develops their math strategy skills,” she adds.

Students are encouraged to share their knowledge and teach less experienced “duelist” so that they too can rise in competition level. The room is filled with an hour of gleeful exchanges, while students share, plan, and plot a successful win.

Sessions resume the first Friday after Spring Break. See you then! For further information, call 676-6330 or 6449.

Extracting and Analyzing...



IUS School Improvement Process in Action

Giving Back to Our Community Through Athletics

Report from the Field—T.A. 9th grade

Spring Sports!

With spring falling into place that can only mean one thing: Spring Sports season! Both of Incirlik's annual spring sports began their practices on March 9.



Soccer season seems to be taking it seriously this year, with the help of Coach R. and Coach L. The team consists of Z. A., H. M., L. G., D. E., B. B., T. E., N. E., E. P., I. L., R. E., A. T., S. M., D.J. Q., T. A., M. H., and A. B. Ms. Z. is the proud sponsor of the Hodja team, while S. K. is the soccer manager. Our Hodja soccer players are excited to beat our rival school, Ankara, for the first time in two years. Wish them luck in their upcoming games!

Coach D. and Coach D. are coaching softball. The softball team consists of S. C., T. C-H., S. L., K. N., N. S., K. S., A. T., K. F., J. P., N. W., K. C., E. M., and D. D. Although the Hodja softball team does not go to Ankara, they will be competing in Germany for Europeans. They, too, are excited about competing, and will hopefully bring home the title of Division Four Champions.



Spring sports season is definitely underway. As one of the last few flings for the school year of '08-'09, let's make this one great!

"School-Community Connection"

We call it SIP

School Improvement Process for Continuous School Progress

Goal 1: All students will improve their written communication across the curriculum.

Goal 2: All students will improve their critical thinking skills across the curriculum.

IUS Yearbook Updates and Kudos

The Yearbook Club would like to thank all of those folks who helped to make the middle school St. Patrick's Day Dance Party a success!

Yearbook Page Sponsorships - Buy a page in our book! Our goal is to make the book affordable enough for EVERY student to be able to purchase one. We are producing a full color, hard cover book! Though our school size is shrinking, the cost of printing continues to increase. We are selling ads to organizations, clubs, and businesses and individuals to help raise the additional funds needed to make our book affordable to students. If you or your organization would like to sponsor a page in our book, please fill in the attached order form and return it to the HS office. You will be recognized as a contributor and you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you helped make it possible for us to print a book this year. Any and all donations are appreciated!

Please return order forms and payment by Friday, April 10th.

Order Form: Yearbook Page Sponsorship

Organization name: _____

Contact person: _____

Phone: _____

Sponsorship level: Please circle the donation amount below:

- Platinum: \$500
- Gold: \$400
- Silver: \$300
- Bronze: \$200
- Hodja: \$100

Please make checks payable to: IUS SAF

Senior Commemorative Pages

Attention Senior parents:

Order forms and materials need to be returned no later than Tuesday, April 7th in order for the pages to be ready for submission on time.

Cost: \$50 per full length page

Please make checks payable to: IUS SAF

Photos may be submitted to be scanned or they may be submitted on CD. Please save at 300 dpi for electronic submission.

Senior Ad Order Form:

Student Name: _____

Parent Name: _____

Phone: _____

e-mail: _____

Desired Text: _____

Number of Photos submitted: _____