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Dear Independence Academy Families,

Can you believe that it is already May? This year has flown by so quickly! We have all worked extremely hard this year to demonstrate PRIDE and be the very best we can be. I want to personally thank you for the encouragement and support you have offered to the students, staff and other families here at Independence. Our school is truly unique because of the wonderful families that we have.


I also want to extend a HUGE thank you to our Family Council members. They have worked exceptionally hard this year to carry out our Fall Festival, Parent's Night Out, Holiday Light Tours, Change for Change Drive, Daylight with Dads, Morning with Moms, Art Show and so much more! Our school would not be all that it is without the endless hours, efforts and support given by Family Council members. If you see a Family Council member, please be sure to thank them ☺

I hope you all have a wonderful summer!

Sincerely,

Britni Westbrook

ART ACTION



Be SURE to attend our amazing **Annual Art Show & Auction** on May 4th from 4:00-7:00! (see *Family Council* section for more details).

THANK YOU to everyone for your support with the *Original Works Art* fundraiser! We sold \$4,107 worth of items with student art on them, which has been our best sales year to date!

Congratulations to all the middle school students who represented IACS at the annual Altrua Art show & competition on April 15th! They all had amazing work & are bringing back a 1st & 2nd place ribbon in sculpture, 1st place in painting, 1st place in ceramics, 1st place in group collaboration, and a 2nd place ribbon in mixed media!

APPROPRIATE ATTIRE

As the weather continues to warm up, please be sure that your students are wearing clothing that is appropriate. Please, no *short* shorts, spaghetti straps, open tanks, etc. Students with inappropriate clothing will be asked to call home for more suitable attire. Thank you for understanding.

DRAMA & MUSIC NOTES



Our Advanced Drama Class is proud to present: Happily Never After! What happens to all of your favorite fairy tale characters after "ever after?" Come to our play to find out! Our students will perform at the **KAFM Radio Room at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, May 16.**

We will also be performing the play during school for our student body on Wednesday, May 10 at 2:45. Parents are welcome to attend!

Please see our calendar for dates and times of all Music Performances.

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Characteristic of the Month:

Our PRIDEful learners are focusing on **Excellence** for the month of May. Please encourage your child to work towards excellence and remind them that excellence does not mean being perfect, it means giving your very best effort consistently.

FAMILY COUNCIL CORNER

ART Show & Auction

We are still taking donations for the Auction portion of the Art Show and Auction. If anyone wishes to donate an item, service, or anything else please contact Hadassa Berger. The Art Show is scheduled for May 4th. Visit the live site at:

<https://www.32auctions.com/IACSartshow2017>



Please remember to pick up your child's medication at the nurse's office before the end of the school year. We are required to discard any medications that are not picked up by the last day of school. We are not permitted to send medication home with students, so please make arrangements to pick up all medications by May 18th.

If you are a 5th grade parent, please remember that any incoming 6th graders need to have their T-dap shots. Please bring records to our office.

NEW TEAM MEMBERS

You may see a couple of new faces here at IACS. Julie Mendenhall is a retired District School Counselor who will begin supporting our students when needs arise.

A Note from Brittany McHugh:

After 4 years in the front office, I have been given the opportunity to become a stay at home mom, which I am beyond excited to be able to do. It has been an honor to work at this amazing school with great families! Thank you for giving me the opportunity to be a part of this family, I will miss all of you very much.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES



We are again partnering with **Depot Max** (previously Office Depot/ Office Max) for our school supplies this year. Please be looking for the lists to come out soon. They guarantee to match the prices of other stores as well as Amazon. They also offer us a kickback for supplies that teachers and students may need throughout the year.



LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



We will have a Water Day again for the last day of school. Please send your child with water clothes (please no swim suits), sunscreen, sun hat, etc. Please also send a towel and an extra change of clothes.

We will also be partnering with **The Lunch Lizard** again for a healthy lunch!

Also, if you are able to donate drinking water or water balloons, we will begin collecting those items in the front office.

LAST CALL FOR LIBRARY BOOKS

Please make sure all library books are turned in by this Thursday (May 4th). Any books still missing will accrue a \$10/ book fee.



May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Field Trip: Kinder: Dinosaur Museum	3 Field Trip: 8 th Grade: Field Study	4 Field Trip: 4 th Gr: Monument !!ART SHOW!! Kinder/ 1 st Grade Music Concert 4:00	5	6
7	8 Field Trips: 3 rd - CO Museum 2 nd - Conn. Lakes	9	10 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th 5 th Grade Music Concerts	11 Band, Choir & Orchestra Concerts	12	13
14	15 8 th Grade Continuation (4:00) Guitar Concert (6:30)	16 Kinder Graduation (4:30) Drama Performance (6:00)	17 Field Trip: Kinder: Canyon View Pre-K Promotion (2:00)	18 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL !!WATER DAY!! Field Trip: Mid School: Get Air	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	FIRST DAY BACK TO SCHOOL - AUGUST 16th		