



IC Imagine Upper School

Week of September 10, 2017

Upper School Families,

As the weather changes, please be sure that the hoodies or fleeces that your children are wearing to school can also be worn in the colder classrooms. Many of the Champions wore an outer layer of clothing that they ended up putting back on during the day. Be sure that the layers they bring are either an IC Imagine hoodie (worn with a polo underneath) or a black fleece.

With our move to the other side of the building, we now realize that the water fountains are a long walk for them. We are working on a solution for this but in the meantime please send them with a filled bottle of water to school to ensure that they can stay hydrated throughout the day.

We are looking to add a hot lunch option but would appreciate some feedback to see if it's feasible at this point. If you haven't already, [Please fill this out to let us know your interest.](#)

Don't forget to fill out the [form for bus needs for this week here](#). We are hoping to use our buses for local field trips soon, but can't do that until we are able to hire a handful of drivers who are available during the day. Interested? Know someone? We are paying \$16/hour and are willing to help the right person navigate the process of obtaining their NCCDL. <http://www.icimagine.org/careers> is where you'll find the details.

We appreciate all of the families who joined us for our first Parent Night this week. We generated thoughtful and productive discussion about the topic of Proficiency Based Grading, something that is happening in classrooms around our area at this time. The slideshow from this [presentation](#) might give you some information about this topic that will help you understand it better. [This](#) is one of the books we read as a faculty about the topic when we were in our planning stages two years ago. It helped me understand the concept and gave me some very concrete ways of envisioning how it would look in many

classrooms. Please let me know if you would like additional information about this concept.

Be sure to check out the school's [website](#) to keep up with what is happening around Main Campus.

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Performance dates have been decided, please note these dates in your calendars. November 20, March 13, & June 12 Vocal Arts will have their showcases. Theatre Arts will have their showcase March 13. More detailed showcase information will be distributed at a later date. We will begin preparing for the November Vocal Arts Showcase next week.

I am also in the process of registering for membership in both choral and theatre associations where we will be able to compete at a state level in the spring. As we begin to develop these clubs more information will be disseminated to students and on my class website. Please continue visiting my class website for class specific information and additional resources for your specific class. I will be updating it every week to reflect the current learning.



PBIS is Seeking Support

PBIS is one way that we acknowledge the positive things that are happening in our school. Did you know that we have Champ Change that we distribute to let our Champions know when we see them doing the right things? They have been able to use the Champ Change to enter raffles for prizes and to “purchase” items like pens etc in the Champ Change Store. We are looking for items that our Upper School students would enjoy. Since you have teenagers, you probably already know what those things are...

If you think you might want to donate prizes for either our Champ Change Store or our raffles, please contact me via email (nicolemorin@icimagine.org). Items they have enjoyed in the past include gift certificates to movie theaters, restaurants, Starbucks, etc. They love crazy socks, fun chapsticks, fancy pens or other school supplies.

In order to promote our healthy living values, we shy away from using junk food in this way but would happy accept healthier snacks for some social time for the kids.



September

- **9/26-9/27 Student Led Conferences**
3:30-6:00 PM, Look for an email with details about how to sign up early this week
- **US Field Trip Info Session (Date TBD)**
- **9/29 Early Release**
- **9/30-10/8 Fall Break**

October

- **10/11 PSAT (details coming soon)**

- 9th Grade Optional
- 10th Grade Mandatory
- **10/25 Pre ACT (details coming soon)**
 - All 10th Graders will Participate



Have a restful weekend!
