

## From the Desk of Our Clark Principal

In 2019, Clark Advanced Learning Center supports 250 sophomores through seniors who look to us to equip and empower them for success and to keep them safe! This 16th school year has been off to an amazing start with student participation in clubs, activities, and sports teams. Clark students bowl, swim, golf, sail, row, fence, show horses, play volleyball, soccer and football, support teams by way of cheer and color guard flags, run cross country, as well as act, sing, play a myriad of instruments, and volunteer service to school and college Honor Societies, HOSA, UNICEF, Interact, Safe School Ambassadors, House of Hope, Elev8 Hope, Stand2Help, Out of the Darkness Community Walk, Crossing for a Cure, and numerous other community organizations. This fall saw yet another incredibly successful Family Fun BINGO Night along with the inaugural Poetry Slam. This *Conclave of Clark Creativity* provided students an opportunity to showcase their range of talents through writing and performing that ranged from reciting poetry and verse about inner conflict to outer space, from self-love to love and kindness towards others, from preschool and country life memories to high school realities, from pushing past writer's block to pushing away gluttony, and from Elvis to Jimi Hendrix to The Rolling Stones — yes, these names and sounds of the 1960's were prevalent in the music and spoken word of the evening generated by our students born since 2001! The positive and productive involvement of our students and their embracing "Start with hello" are so very heartwarming and these actions remind me daily of the bright future!

Please continue to help us encourage students to *See Something, Say Something*—report any odd observations or words of malice. The **Fortify Florida** app, an anonymous reporting tool, was designed to keep students safe by allowing them to report anyone threatening violence. The app is free for anyone to download on the Apple App Store and Google Play. Logging onto Clark-issued laptop, students are reminded about Fortify Florida every time.

During *Character Counts!* Week recently celebrated at Clark, students had visual and spoken reminders of the 6 pillars of good character. Ongoing actions aligned to trustworthiness, responsibility, respect, fairness, citizenship and caring are what will make the learning and social environments at Clark remain positive and productive.

With Best Regards,

*Mrs. Debra L. Kohuth*

Proud Principal, Clark Advanced Learning Center



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**Students and Parents:** Check e-mail weekly from Ms. Judd for **Friday updates from Clark**.

Also, check out all the other valuable information on **Clark's website:**

**[www.clarkadvancedlearningcenter.org](http://www.clarkadvancedlearningcenter.org)**

Please make a habit of **checking your Rivermail & Clark email accounts regularly**, the main forms of electronic communication for Clark students and IRSC/Clark employees. Go to <http://www.irsc.edu/rivermail> for access.

## Counselor Corner

### Guidance Reminders

from Ms. Tiffany Jones  
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**10th Graders:** Keep a record of your co-curricular involvement and volunteer work. Make sure you are “on top” of your academic work. Meet with teachers for help as needed. Save your best work in your academic portfolio.

**11th Graders:** Junior year grades are extremely important in the college admissions process because they are a measure of how well you do in advanced, upper-level courses. Grades are also used to determine scholarships and grants for which you may be eligible. So put in the extra effort and keep up those grades.

**12th Graders:** Submit applications in time to reach the colleges by their respective deadlines. Send your Clark and IRSC transcripts to the schools to which you are applying...also have official test scores sent by the testing agency (SAT/ACT) to the colleges on your list. Keep up the good grades! The deadline to apply for Martin County Community Scholarships is Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Please check out [www.clarkcalc.net](http://www.clarkcalc.net) >> Guidance >> Scholarships/Financial Aid for more details.

### Parent Portal Grade Book Access **FOCUS**

Details and directions provided at  
[https://www.martinschools.org/  
domain/4532](https://www.martinschools.org/domain/4532)  
for this student management  
system throughout MCSD.

*If you have any questions about this service,  
please contact Mr. McCrory at 772.419-5767.*

**Note: IRSC class grades are posted in Blackboard.**

What is your  
career direction?



Career Development Month

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**November is National Career Development Month and we will celebrate at Clark with a variety of activities focused on career planning. Please encourage your student to participate. Contact Dr. Bonds with any questions.**

#### Career Development Month schedule:

##### National Career Poster & Poetry Contest:

The theme is “My Inspiring Future Career” See Dr. Bonds for details.

##### Stuart Air Show Demo Team Presentation and

**Discussion:** Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> @ 11:45 a.m. –  
Knowledge Room

**ASVAB Administration:** Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7:50 a.m. –  
Knowledge Room Contact Dr. Bonds to register.

**Business Partner Career Presentations in Classes:** Tuesday, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> –  
Friday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> – Various Classrooms and Times

**Health Careers Panel:** Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> @ 9:30 a.m. –  
Knowledge Room



### Dates to Remember:



November 1—Friday .....Great Explorations @ IRSC Main Campus  
November 1—Friday.....Computer Science Club-sponsored Game Night  
November 11— Monday.....Veterans Day HOLIDAY—NO SCHOOL  
November 15—Friday.....SGA-sponsored Winter Semi-Formal Dance  
November 27-29 – Wednesday thru Friday.....Thanksgiving Break  
December 19— Friday.....End of Fall Semester/2nd Nine Weeks  
**December 20 – January 6.....Winter Break**  
Tuesday, Jan. 7—Clark classes begin  
Wednesday, Jan. 8—IRSC classes begin  
January 17— Fri .....Clark & IRSC classes TODAY but NO BUSES  
January 20—Monday.....Martin Luther King HOLIDAY—NO SCHOOL  
January 29—Wednesday.....Early Dismissal / Parent-Teacher Conferences  
February 17— Mon.....Clark & IRSC classes TODAY but NO BUSES  
February 26- Wednesday.....Early Dismissal @ 12:15  
February 28—Friday.....Professional Enhancement Day-NO Clark/IRSC classes  
March 13—Friday .....Middle of Spring Semester/End of 3rd Nine Weeks  
**March 16-20.....Spring Break**  
April 10—Friday .....Clark & IRSC classes TODAY but NO BUSES  
April 18 -Saturday .....Prom @ The Kane Center (pending)  
May 6- Wednesday.....Early Dismissal @ 12:15  
May 21— Thursday.....End of Spring Semester/LAST DAY of School for Students  
May 22— Friday.....Graduation Rehearsal from 3:30 to 5:30 @ JBHS  
May 23-Saturday.....Graduation Day for Class of 2020, 10 a.m. @ JBHS