

## Appreciation and Celebration

Clark Caring Student of the Week nominations are needed! If you have seen an act of kindness by a peer, email [ljudd@irsc.edu](mailto:ljudd@irsc.edu) or submit in the front office.

Thanks to the family of **Brittney Clemons** for sponsoring this week's staff breakfast!

Thanks to all who **donated books** for Hobe Sound Elementary as coordinated by senior, **Olivia Salem**. 445 books are headed to the students!



## **Congratulations to our Clark school community for again earning the designation as a School of Excellence!**

The Florida Schools of Excellence designation was announced by Florida Department of Education for Clark Advanced Learning Center along with five other Martin County schools - PCE, BCE, CGE, HOMS, & JBHS. Qualification for this designation is not easy, as a school must earn enough 'school grades' points to fall in the 80th percentile or higher for school type. That makes Clark a top high school within Florida once again thanks to the hard work of our faculty, staff and STUDENTS! Congratulations!

## Announcements and Updates

**UNICEF is hosting a car wash tomorrow from 10:00-1:00** at Advanced Auto in Stuart (just south of the Flea Market). Come support this great cause and get your car washed!

**Picture re-take day is Monday, October 21.** You can order with code FT409123Q1. If you missed, you need to come between 8:00-noon for a yearbook photo. If you want to re-take, bring back your original package and arrive before noon.

**Today is officially the end of the first quarter...** wow! Final grades for semester long high school courses will be posted by Tuesday. Interim grades will show for the other Clark classes. If your grades are not what you would like them to be, now is the time to speak to your teachers to see how you can make adjustments and take control of your academics.

The October **Change for Change collection by Clark's Interact Club totaled \$70** – and a Chuck E. Cheese token! Thanks to all who contributed as we forge ahead towards our school wide goal of \$2,500 for the Out of the Darkness Community Walk on Saturday, November 2. Join the Clark team or donate to the Out of the Darkness Suicide Prevention and Awareness Walk at Flagler Park in Downtown Stuart – registration begins at 8 and the walk is from 9 to 11 am. Our Clark Team goal is to raise \$2500 and keep our #1 Fundraising Team designation! Join our team and/or make a donation to this valuable cause here.

**Rotary Youth Leadership Awards conference is set for Nov 22-26<sup>th</sup>.** Over 100 high school students from East Central Florida high schools will gather for this leadership development program. Students chosen for this multi-day conference will participate in activities, presentations and workshops to provide skills in:

- Leadership Fundamentals
- Communication Skills
- Problem solving and conflict management
- Team Building activities.

The event is held Florida Elks Youth Camp in Umatilla, FL. Transportation, housing and meals are included in the scholarships. Our Rotary Club of Stuart Sunrise is sponsoring 2 MCSD students for the event. Clark is hopeful that at least one seat will be filled by a Clark students. Any High School student can apply online at [www.rotary6930.org](http://www.rotary6930.org). Click on RYLA. Following info goes on application --  
- Sponsoring Club: Rotary Club of Stuart Sunrise Club contact email: [suewhitt@icloud.com](mailto:suewhitt@icloud.com) Be sure to let Mrs. Kohuth know when your application has been submitted. [dkohuth@irsc.edu](mailto:dkohuth@irsc.edu)

**The Prom Committee is holding a Yankee Candle fundraiser** to assist with planning and preparations for this year's prom. There are over 500 items available online including candles (obviously), accessories, home & family, gift ideas, car & small spaces, home fragrance, and holiday items. You can purchase from a prom committee member or shop online...if you would like to receive your items by Christmas, please make sure to make your purchase by November 13th. There are over 85 items listed for less than \$15! You can access Clark's online catalog [here](#).

**Bingo Night is next Friday!** Flyer attached and Facebook event link [here](#). Invite everyone you know for this fun, annual fundraiser happening on 10/18.

**Extended day is hiring** students at almost every elementary school! Go on the MCSD website under Human Resources to apply for these paid positions.

**Students selected for Safe Schools Ambassadors-** you permission slip to attend the 2 day training this week is overdue. This must be turned in before end of day Monday in order to participate.

**Treasure Coast Food Bank needs volunteers** the weekend of Friday, October 25th and Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>.

Be a part of a special weekend of teamwork to help pack holiday meal boxes for our neighbors who are struggling with hunger. Last year over 500 volunteers united to make the event a huge success. [More info and register here](#).

**The MCSD College & Career Night** is October 15<sup>th</sup> from 5pm – 7pm at the Martin County High School Gymnasium.

**Seeking parent and student nominations for the traveling crane award.** Nominate anyone from our Clark Team who has gone above and beyond to support you as a student or parent. On behalf of Parents as Partners, we honor and celebrate with the Traveling Clark Cranes as recognition of our awesome team members each month. As in the past, You may choose to send Mrs. Kohuth [dkohuth@irsc.edu](mailto:dkohuth@irsc.edu) your nomination OR In the Main Office, we have a green "Vote Here" box into which your nomination or letter of recommendation can be placed as you deem appropriate. This recognition by you should state the following:

WHO?... name of teacher or staff member who has been especially helpful/impactful

WHAT?... how was that individual valuable to you/your child?

Nominate more than one person, if you would like, yet please be specific about the action or attention of anyone at Clark that has brought value or clarification to you/your child.

### Handbook Highlight

p. 10- Driver's License Law- The Florida Legislature enacted requirements (Section 322.091, F.S.) that students who attain the age of 14 and accumulate 15 unexcused absences in a period of 90 calendar days be ineligible to receive or maintain driving privileges.

***Attendance matters! Be here!***

### Articles and News of Interest for Parents

**The PaP meeting for Thursday, October 17, has been cancelled** due to our speaker about Census 2020 no longer being able to join us. There is a Financial Aid Information Night being offered at Chastain for all parents and students interested, however. And we encourage, too, families to come out in force on Friday, October 18 for BINGO night!

Mark your calendars, parents, for Thursday, November 21, as we have our own Dr. Denisha Bonds as our Clark Career Coordinator discussing career exploration & etiquette with us during National Career Development Month.

The following article is about school safety drills, including active assailant. As a reminder, we are required as a public school, to conduct active assailant drills monthly. These drills offer an opportunity to practice the multiple response options from our Standard Response Protocol (SRP) of lockout, lockdown, or evacuate. [Why Students, Faculty, and Staff Deserve Response Options](#)

### [The Power of Parental Listening to Their Adolescent](#)

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