

*"Be kind, be thoughtful, be genuine, but most of all be thankful." Anonymous*  
*As we break for this Thanksgiving holiday, all of us at Clark wish you and yours a time to reflect and return renewed next week as we start to wind down semester 1. We are truly thankful for the amazing students and families we are blessed to serve here each and every day.*

### **Celebration and Appreciation**

**Interact, UNICEF, and SNHS** club members and their sponsors participated in a beach cleanup last Saturday. Thanks to all who helped beautify Stuart Beach! All of these clubs have an ongoing focus on our environment and service to the community—locally and globally!



Congrats to the **Gilliam sisters** for recent accomplishments! Sydnee (on right below) was grand champion of 15 year old showman and Reserve Grand Champion senior showman at the Chiefland Big Chief Classic on Nov. 16. Madison won Grand Champion steer at the Clewiston Christian School FFA prospect show on Nov. 23. She also received Grand Champion senior showman. At the same show, Sydnee received Reserve Grand Champion showman. Great work ladies!



**Clark Crane staff awards for November were Mrs. Gribble and Mr. Escandon!** A parent nominated Mrs. Gribble and shared, "This year my student has really discovered a love for art and Ms. Gribble has really inspired and nurtured the new interest. A wonderful teacher and a spectacular human." Mr. E was nominated by a student and parent who wrote, "We think he goes above and beyond to try and understand the students and their specific learning needs. He shows empathy and kindness. He's a bright and interesting teacher who is always fair! Mr. Escandon incorporates special projects, performances, etc. which helps to engage the students and really makes learning fun!"



Feel free to send in nominations to [dkohuth@irsc.edu](mailto:dkohuth@irsc.edu) at any time throughout the year when you want to recognize a spectacular staff member!

### **Announcements**

The doggies are back! Want to **relieve some stress** before IRSC exams? Service dogs will be at IRSC on Monday Dec 2, 9am-12pm in the courtyard.

Today we conducted a **monthly active assailant drill**. It was a lockout drill and all on campus responded well. I want to offer a HUGE **“way to go”** to everyone for not evacuating when the fire alarm was activated. That was the right response. If there was a reason to evacuate, you’d have heard an announcement to go ahead and leave. If you ever come to campus and signs are hung that we are in a drill, return to your car and check back at the conclusion.

### **Seniors:**

- A big scholarship deadline is the Monday we return from break. See the email from Ms. Jones sent yesterday. [Links here](#)
- Yearbook is allowing an extension for 1 week only to submit baby photos and senior quotes. Google classroom code is ulixwi2 and it will be available until December 9.
- Voting for senior superlatives is now open. A google form will be sent to your email and a box will be available in Dr. Bonds class on Dec. 4 for those in internship. The deadline for voting is Dec. 13.
- Grad Bash payments are due in December for those who did not pay in full already.
- IRSC Scholarship flyer attached. Many scholarships even if you do not plan to continue at IRSC!

### **Handbook**

Planning to be away from school for family event? College visit? Email [dkohuth@irsc.edu](mailto:dkohuth@irsc.edu) at least 2 weeks in advance or as soon as situation requiring missing school happens. Remember, teachers do not have to allow you to make up work missed if the absence is unexcused. Excused absences must have the work missed made up within 2 days of returning to school.

### **Articles of Interest for Parents**

[25 prompts to get teens talking about gratitude](#)

This great anti vaping campaign from the American Heart Association! Check it out and learn more about the truth of vaping. [www.quitlying.org](http://www.quitlying.org)

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