

Celebration and Appreciation

Each week, we celebrate and recognize a student who has shown random acts of kindness and character as our **Clark Caring Student of the Week**. This week, we recognized **Jasper Mann** for showing great kindness and trustworthiness by bringing a lost phone and a lost charger to the front office. This helped the owners get their missing items back safely.

Thanks to the family of **Hunter Braun and Steven Ressler** for providing our delicious Thursday staff breakfast!

And, Oops for last week's breakfast as I spelled **Siena's** name wrong!

Thanks to the family of **John Reddick** for an amazing spread of delicious grab and go foods for our early release afternoon meeting yesterday!

Shout out to Interact Club and Treasure Coast Provisions for surprising the staff this morning with a cart full of treats and beautiful fall decorations! Pictured with Mrs. Bartow (left) are Interact Club members and cart designers **Elizabeth Michels and Skylar Crumpler**. The theme of this month's snack cart was Autumn Awesomeness, with Treasure Coast Provisions providing the charcuterie trays and chocolate hummus. Other Snack Cart committee members are **Katie Hale and Samuel Vinci**, with various other fall-themed items donated by additional Interact Club members: apple juice, donuts, pumpkin muffins, cake bites, and decadent spice bars – a lot of spoiling and limited calorie counting going on this week at Clark!!!!



At the assembly on Wednesday, we recognized **Joseph Arias** as the recipient of the monthly character counts award for **Trustworthiness**. From those who nominated him, he is known to be very honest and reliable, we can ask him to help with things in the classroom and he always helps (with a smile), and he's always on time and prepared for classes (both in person AND virtual!). Dr. Judd forgot to snap him phot this morning with his giant check, plaque, goodie bag and real check for \$50! Maybe we can catch him in his very own parking space! Other nominees were: **Caris Bergen, Katie Berger, Sydnee Gilliam, Hailey Leonardo, and Nate DeForest!**

We have swimmers representing all 3 comprehensive high schools and may were competing in Miami for regionals this week. We want to celebrate 11th grader, **Jonathan Rucker**, as last week he broke the **SFHS** school record in the 100 Breaststroke with a time of 1:03.53. Way to go!

Parents- don't forget to let us know all of the great successes and accomplishments happening outside of school!

We also recognized several contest winners at the assembly:
IRSC Financial Literacy essay contest- **Sarah Bell**

Hispanic Heritage Month- **Zoe Williams**

Math Riddle- **Christopher Wiercinski**

Writing and Performance Club: 1st: **Sadie Mann** - "When the Woods Call" 2nd: **Siena Pollis** - "The Man in the Pictures"

3rd: **Samuel Gaskell** - "The After Hours" and special mention to **Hope Alford** - "The Worshipper Devil's Woods"

Sarah Michels - "The Unknown Woods"

Shouting THANK YOU to **Emily Osborn and Dirk Morehouse** who shared their piano talents at the IRSC Board of Trustees meeting held at Clark Tuesday afternoon. Many guests, including VIPs like our new IRSC President and the new MCSD Superintendent, got to hear their beautiful piano music as they arrived at the meeting.

Announcements and Reminders

Don't forget to "Fall back" an hour before going to bed Saturday night!

YEARBOOK NEWS: Today (10/30) is the last day to order the yearbook at the \$65 price. The price increases to \$70 after today. Visit jostensyearbooks.com to order.

Attention senior parents! Today (10/31) is the last day to order a **senior ad** with early bird pricing. Visit jostensyearbooks.com to order. See the attached flyer for additional details.

Contact Mrs. Gribble (agribble@irsc.edu) or Mr. Escandon (jescando@irsc.edu) with yearbook or senior ad questions.

Did you miss the **assembly on Wednesday**? We had wonderful presentations from Student Government, National Honor Society, and Writing Club, as well as Dr. Bonds as we get ready to kick off Career Development Month. They all did an AMAZING job!!!! Watch it here:

<https://youtu.be/V8g75VYEU4I>

I shared in the assembly a reminder of the state statute requiring **high school students to receive 6 hours or more of education related to substance abuse, human trafficking, suicide awareness, and other issues related to mental wellness**. ALL students are required to complete the modules in a program called Suite 360. Students will log in with their Clark email address as the username and 4300# as the password. Contact Dr. Judd with questions. <https://martin.suite360sel.org/login?return=content>
Prize for all students who complete ALL modules before Thanksgiving!

Volunteer Opportunities

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1g3PP_MKoj4LwB_LixJb4fzEofWa11pTN-MuhD1af0q8/edit

Looking for some Clark spirit wear? Use the link below to see options and order. Orders due before next Wednesday, Nov. 4! <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NQRZ5HC>

Don't forget to follow Clark on Instagram and Facebook to see some of the fun happening here, as well as other updates and opportunities!

Scheduling of spring classes will begin soon. Seniors will be scheduled first in order to assure graduation requirements will be met. Be on the lookout for an email from Ms. Jones with instructions on how to make your scheduling appointment. It is VERY important that all students, but especially seniors, also

have a guided pathway on file at IRSC that is completed with your advisor. Email Ms. Jones if you do not know how to locate the contact info for your IRSC advisor. Remember, students need to have a 3.0 GPA, as well as prove college readiness, in order to take or continue in college classes. Finish this semester strong so you do not risk losing the chance for college classes this spring! **If you need PERT**, you should have an email from Ms. Jones to sign up to take it here next week.

USAF F-22 Raptor Demo Team Visit. Students are invited to a virtual presentation by the USAF F-22 Raptor Demo Team on Thursday, November 5th, at 1:00 p.m. online and in rooms 132/133. The demo team speak with students about real world applications of aerospace engineering, military careers, and the flight demonstrations that the team will perform at the Stuart Air Show later that week. The presentation should last approximately 30 minutes. The link will be available the week of the event. Call Dr. Bonds at 419-5768 if you have questions.

Wondering why you are suddenly getting a pop up message on your school issued laptop each day at 7:50 am? Well, sadly child abuse is increasing and it important that ALL students know that if they are being abused or know of a child being abused, it needs to be reported because help is available. As always, FortifyFL is required to be shown everywhere we possibly can because any concerns about safety at school reported through this link will be acted upon quickly at local law enforcement and state level. The Department of Children and Families Abuse Hotline 1-800-962-2873 and the FortifyFL link is <https://getfortifyfl.com/> Help is available when it is needed.

Calendar reminders:

- Veterans Day- No Clark or IRSC classes on November 11.
- On Monday and Tuesday, November 23rd and 24th, Clark and IRSC will be holding classes as usual, but due to the MCSD schedule, there will be no bus or lunch service on those days. Bus riders will need to provide their own transportation to and from school. We will be serving lunch for \$2.50. Please contact Ms. Decker as soon as possible to reserve your lunch. Remember that you must purchase your lunch with cash in advance, or have cash with you on those days. If you have questions, please call 419-5750.
- Clark and Indian River State College will be closed on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, November 25th, 26th, and 27th for the Thanksgiving Holiday. All classes will resume on Monday, November 30th. Also, as a reminder for seniors, all standard application packets for scholarships are due in Guidance on Tuesday, December 1st. We wish you a safe and happy Thanksgiving!

Club and Activity News

Congrats to our 20-21 SGA officers: President- Jade Nunez, Vice President- Juliana Sequeria, Secretary- Emma Boyer, Treasurer- Sam Vinci, Senior Rep- Nick Lynch and Junior Rep- Sadie Mann. We would love to have someone from the class of 2023 step up to be the representative for YOUR class!

All students are invited to join the SGA "Social Hour" every Friday from 12:30-1:30 pm. You can come to our knowledge room or join through Google Meet. Join yoo2fhn to keep up with what's happening. Next week we will have a chance to learn and practice common and fun sayings in multiple languages! Know a language you want to share? Join us!

Math Club is holding a monthly riddle contest. Stay tuned for it to come out next week!

October's fundraising for UNICEF by Clark's Interact Club comes to a close this weekend. The grand total will be determined from all sources – including website donations [donate by clicking here](#). – at Monday's Interact meeting. Thanks to all who have contributed throughout the month of October!

For November, the local organization will be Elev8 Hope, for which the first collection takes place on Tuesday and Wednesday, November 3 and 4, by way of Change for Change during car lines and lunch times. Thanks in advance for your ongoing support via coin/cash donations and/or contributing to the food baskets. 1 service hour will be given for every 10 items donated. Make sure you put your name and number of items in the bag(s) so we can get you the credit. We will post in FOCUS, you do not need to submit. Deadline is Nov. 4. Thanks to Jasmyne Echevarria and Elijah Santiago for once again leading this service project. **Items: stuffing mix, mashed potatoes, mac and cheese, cream of mushroom soup, canned green beans, cranberry sauce, turkey gravy, cornbread mix, cake mix, and icing.** Thanks for the many donations so far!

Handbook Highlight

As we begin to approach the “big” winter holidays, here's a reminder from page 10.

Advanced Notice for Excused Absence

Requests for excused absences for high-school courses for family travel or vacation must be submitted in writing a minimum of two weeks in advance for Executive Director's approval. Failure to obtain prior approval may result in unexcused absence(s). Medical and dental appointments should be planned as to not conflict with a student's class schedule. If conflict is unavoidable, a written note must be sent in advance to excuse the absence.

Info for Parents

Interim Report cards are now posted to the parent / student portal. Instruction reference here ----> <http://www.clarkadvancedlearningcenter.org/p/91/focus#.X5mNiu17mUk>

Free meals for all continue, but make sure you fill out the form weekly for lunches on or off campus so we don't run out of food! <https://www.martinschools.org/Page/9711>

Tomorrow is the last day to order fruit!

<https://www.floridaindianrivergroves.com/ecommerce/1020958> Visit the link, and Indian River Groves will pick and send your loved ones a citrus box in November or December.

Articles of interest:

One of the best assignments in the Student Success course (SLS1101) requires students to track their time and see where there are missed opportunities or needs to reschedule their priorities. Well, it's great for parents, too! Learn more here: [Feel overwhelmed and stressed? It's time for you to track your time](#)

[What We Know About LGBTQ Youth Mental Health and Suicide Prevention](#)

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