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 are recognizing **Brianna Gasparini**. Brianna stayed after school last week to help create several thoughtful cards for the United Way and their initiative to send loads of love to homebound seniors through meals on wheels. Brianna is always willing to step up and help!

Students- Make sure to email Dr. Judd or drop a slip in the front office when you see others doing random acts of kindness and character.

Thank you to the family of **Corbin Keene** for providing the weekly staff breakfast yesterday. What an incredible spread! According to the king cake baby, Mrs. Decker will be hosting the next party!

We are so grateful to the Rucker and Wiersinski families for sending some sweet treats for staff today! One tray was not so healthy and the other was protein packed sweets... but both made our hearts and bellies full! Thanks!

Pictures from the making of Valentine's Day cards for those in our community who receive meals on wheels! This project of the United Way was just one opportunity for our students to make a local impact.



<u>Announcements and Reminders</u>

Reminder- no CLARK classes tomorrow, Friday, Feb 12. IRSC classes will still meet. No Clark or IRSC classes on Friday Feb. 26. Clark and IRSC WILL meet on Monday, Feb. 15

On **Monday, February 15th there will be no Martin County School lunch service**, so Interact club will be serving pizza for \$2 per slice. Fruit and salad will also be available at no cost. They will have other snacks for sale that day. All proceeds will go to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Any students taking **AMH2010** or **AMH2020** who no longer need the book for IRSC, please return it to Mrs. Decker. We have students who need the book and have run out.

Did you miss out on getting your **yearbook photo** taken in the fall? Good news! We will have a photographer here on Friday, Feb. 19 for a final chance between 8:30-10:30 am. Email <u>ljudd@irsc.edu</u> with questions.

We need YOU!!!!! We have a couple annual events in the next month that we need you to help with, donate to, come out and enjoy, or all of the above! HUGE THANKS FOR ALL OF THE DONATIONS THUS FAR!!!!!

- Bingo Night is Friday, Feb. 19.
 - Bingo players are needed! Sign your family up for some safe, fun on a Friday HERE
- NHS Create for the Cause (to benefit Catch the Wave of Hope) Art Show and Sale is Friday, March 5.
 - Art work is needed. Sign up to donate artwork https://forms.gle/j41iQXHQoz9RgeGYA
 (students sign in with Clark email). Service hours will be given for donated art.
 - Raffle basket and silent auction items are needed. Email <u>jade_nunez@clarkalc.net</u> for more info.
 - Invite everyone you know to come by and see the art work and make a purchase!

Support Clark student, **Rianna Lepak**, at the Martin County Fair. She has submitted her girl scout Gold Award project that is a great website for managing stress to try to win a scholarship. Her name isn't on it, but we'd love to have everyone make it a point to stop by that booth/area at the fair!

See attached for flyers about **FSU camps**:

- SciTeens Online Learning in Data Science (SOLID) for any HS students interested in coding and science research-- Spring Break March 15-19, fully remote -- Applications due FEBRUARY 15
- Young Scholars Program (YSP) for high-achieving Grade 11/rising seniors -- June 13-July 24, six-weeks residential in Tallahassee, COVID permitting -- Applications due MARCH 1

It's Pledge to Vote school to school voter registration competition time again! See attached flyer and if you are 17 or older and have not yet registered to vote, please follow the link. Let's show everyone we are small, but mighty and get all of you registered!

Black History Month resources from the FLDOE can be found here: http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7662/urlt/blackhistorymonth JFT.pdf

Club and Activity Info

Interact Club

• Throughout this month the Interact club is fundraising for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society! You can buy paper blood drops for \$1 (or more!) from Interact members. Purchased blood drops will be made into a display and put on the windows of the career cafe at the end of the month. Show your support and get one today!

LLS is a global leader in the fight against cancer. By funding pioneering cancer research to advance treatments and cures and helping patients and families access the care they need, LLS is helping to save and improve the lives of patients and giving hope to countless families across the globe. But there is more work to do. Please consider making a life-saving impact today! https://events.lls.org/pages/pb/Clark-Advanced-Learning-Center-2021

Contests and Service Opportunities

Volunteer opportunities available for High School Students ages 16 and up in the **Habitat for Humanity Restore** in the afternoons on weekdays and on Saturdays, either a morning shift 9-1 or and afternoon shift 1-5. The kids would be helping in the areas of the warehouse, cleaning and getting our donations on the floor, helping customers with purchases, loading and unloading. We have a safety video for them to watch before they volunteer and we are also CDC compliant. Contact Debb Fertal volunteer@habitatmartin.org 772-223-9940 ext: 2226

The monthly Math Riddle Contest is attached!

The Annual Black History Month contest for Clark students- The national theme for Black History Month 2021 is "The Black Family: Representation, Identity and Diversity" Contest details:

- Create a poem, PowerPoint slide, short story, or other piece of artwork based on this year's theme.
- Winner(s) will be selected based on adherence to theme and clarity of message.
- Submit entries by email to <u>ljudd@irsc.edu</u> or drop off to her office NO LATER THAN Feb. 19.
 Winners will be announced at an assembly in late Feb/ early March and all entries will be displayed throughout the school.

The IRSC 2021 Creative Writing Contest deadline is coming soon. Please see the attached flyer for more information. The deadline for submission is February 15, 2021

Elections office "I Voted" sticker design contest. Students have the opportunity to design the 2022 "I Voted" sticker that will be used throughout the County during the election season. The student who has the winning entry will receive a \$200 monetary prize and be recognized at the April County Commissioners' Board Meeting. Email agribble@irsc.edu if interested

Handbook Highlight

Writing or drawing on our furniture is never ok. In fact, it falls under disrespect of property in our handbook (p. 30) and will result in disciplinary action if anymore graffiti is found. Let's keep Clark the amazing school it is.

Friendly reminder.... I know we are allIIIII getting tired of wearing masks, however, it is the policy of the IRSC Board of Trustees that whenever anyone is in a common area/ classroom in any IRSC building (that includes Clark), facial coverings must be worn to cover the mouth and nose. We have been VERY lucky to not have to close classrooms, etc. and we want to keep it that way!

Parent Corner

Students in good standing at the end of the school year will be guaranteed a space for the 21-22 school year, as long as you complete the information in the following link before 2/28/21 to let us know you do still want your student to come back. Re-Enrollment Status Survey Link We hope to see all students' smiling faces as we want EVERY Clark student to be in good academic, behavioral, and attendance standing!

Article that may be of interest <u>How to Help Your Child Succeed at School</u>

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