# **Celebration and Appreciation**

On behalf of all of the Clark staff, I want to celebrate and express sincere appreciation for all of the students and families who made our return this week fantastic! We know there were bumps and glitches along the way, but I don't think there was anyone who didn't have the opportunity to smile, laugh, and enjoy a piece of connection and small sense of "normalcy" again amidst a different start to the year. Thank you for ALL you have ALL done to help us get back to equipping and empowering all of our students for success!

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**. These students are entered each month to win a gift card, as well as being recognized on the marquee on Salerno road, this newsletter, and morning announcements. This week, we selected two young men, **Derick Hill and Elijiah Santiago**. Derick was on campus a couple hours early Wednesday and he offered his assistance to front desk staff and was a huge help with any and everything we asked him to jump in an do. Elijiah was also here early and was volun-told to show new students to their classes... of course he was more than happy to help and we know there was a friendly smile under his mask!

### Shout out for recent Adopt a Class sponsors!

- Ms. Hutcheson (English) adopted by the family of Mauricio Villalba
- Ms. Jones (Counselor) adopted by the family of Olivia Frankfurth
- Mr. Bicksler (Math and Physics) adopted by the family of Emily Osborn
- Mr. Judd (Social Sciences) adopted by the family of Larissa Coleman
- Mrs. Gribble (Art) adopted by the family of Larissa Coleman

Thanks to the family of Coby Flannery for providing our Thursday staff breakfast!

Thanks to **Nick Lynch** for delivering our overflowing plastic bag recycle bin full of bags to LAHIA as they are in need for to-go meals.

## **Announcements and Reminders**

Lunch ordering must be done for the week before 8:00 am on Mondays. Order here.

**ACTION NEEDED from many of you!** We need EACH student, along with a parent/guardian, to complete the required "Acknowledgments Form" <a href="here">here</a>. This form is best viewed on a laptop/desktop. This not only verifies you participated in mandatory orientation, but has critical information on photo release options, military notification options, report card options, and more. Please complete this no later than 8/26.

**No schedule changes after this Tuesday!** This is the last day to drop a college class without having to pay to re-take it and a blemish on your college transcript. All change requests require parent approval. Contact Ms. Jones tiones@irsc.edu before 2 pm Tuesday.

**Don't forget where some of our staff have moved:** Dr. Bonds is now downstairs in the Career cafe, Mr. McCrory is upstairs in 212, Mrs. Wood is upstairs in room 218, and Ms. Jones is upstairs in the "fishbowl" next to 210.

**Mrs. Bartow still needs about a dozen shoe boxes with lids** before next Wednesday! Please drop these off at the front desk if you do not have her for a class. Thanks!

Yearbook order forms are attached or order online.

**All drivers must have a Clark parking pass by next Friday**. Forms near the front desk. Remember, students are never to park in the 3 rows closest to the front entrance. Row one is visitor and handicapped parking only.

#### **Laptop Info/Reminders:**

- If you are planning to purchase laptop insurance, it is due by Friday 8/28 -- \$59.
- Don't forget, a protective case is highly recommended. Links to order on right hand side of website or get the specs if you find one on your own.
- Make sure laptops are fully charged to start the day.

#### **Social Distancing/ Safety Reminders**

- Always remember, "It's ALL RIGHT at Clark!" Anytime you can walk or enter to the right-hand side, you need to. Luckily there are big green arrows on the floors to help us all as we adjust!
   That area around the Career Café/ Knowledge Room is tricky for many of us to remember!
- On the patio and at lunch, only 2 students per table and 6 ft spacing needs to still happen. While you can use the patio at any time, the patio doors can only be opened with your ID card during lunch. You will need to re-enter front the front doors if it is outside of lunch times.
- Make sure you are washing your hands more than ever and using sanitizer frequently. There's no reason to let germs attend Clark!

**SGA elections will be coming soon!** Stay tuned for information on how to go about joining this club dedicated to making Clark the great experience that it is for all staff and students. Senior Jade Nunez is the President, but all other positions will be open.

#### Save the dates:

- Early Release is on Thursday, August 27. There will be no lunch. If you have classes at IRSC (any
  of them OUTSIDE the Clark building), those classes will still meet and you will need to make
  arrangements for transportation as the buses will leave around 12:15.
- 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent and Student Information Night (combined with Parents as Partners)-Thursday, September 17 at 6:00 pm.
- Senior Parent and Student Information Night-Tuesday, September 29 at 6:00 pm

**House of Hope is in need of volunteers** for their many opportunities, including the Stuart Pantry, Hobe Sound Service Center, Farm work, and Stuart Thrift store. Those interested need to email <a href="mailto:Lauren@hohmartin.org">Lauren@hohmartin.org</a>

# **Handbook highlights**

**Page 12- Emails**- "All Clark students are assigned an IRSC RiverMail and Clark email account upon enrollment. These

accounts become the main form of communication for students and IRSC/Clark employees and should be checked daily. Employees will communicate with students through school issued email addresses."

**Page 14- Common Areas**- "Headphones/ear buds must be used by any student playing audio within the common areas. For safety reasons, only 1 earbud may be used."

# **Articles of Interest for Parents**

QUESTIONS TO ASK YOUR CHILD ABOUT THEIR READING

2020 Parents' Guide to Google Classroom

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