

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**. 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 recognize **Xander Goldman**. Xander was very caring and responsible when he found a student ID in a chair and turned in to the front to get back to its owner. He also helped get all of the shoeboxes back to Mrs. Bartow's room when Ms. Judd's arms were overflowing. Thanks for stepping up twice this week, Xander!

Shout out for recent Adopt a Class sponsorship!

- Mr. Escandon (English and Spanish) by the family of Harry Papapanos

Thanks to the family of **Katie Hale** for providing our **Thursday staff breakfast!**

Mrs. Bartow is grateful for all of the **shoeboxes** donated. Thanks so much!

Huge thanks to the family of current student, **John Reddick**, for the donation of hand sanitizer made with essential oils for staff. His sister/Clark grad makes these and they smell wonderful! Thanks for thinking of us!



Announcements and Reminders

School picture day is Wednesday, Sept. 9. Anyone in a class at Clark that day will go with their class. However, those who are remote learning from home or do NOT have a Clark class that day will need to sign up using the following link. [Sign up here](#) **Seniors** If you have not already made an appointment for your senior photo in studio (in Palm Beach County) or here on the Clark campus on September 9, please do so ASAP. If there are financial issues with the sitting fee, please reach out to me so we can arrange to still have you in the yearbook. Link to make an appointment click here. Follow this link to a \$1,000.00 Cady Senior Scholarship opportunity, too! The link is <https://home.cady.com/cady-scholarship/>

Bleach free disinfecting wipes are in high demand.... If you happen to come across any and would like to donate them to Clark, that would be great!

If you haven't picked up your **textbooks or access codes**, they're probably in & ready for distribution. Please contact Mrs. Decker at sdecker@irsc.edu if you're a remote learner, or stop to see her at either the front desk or in the front office for pick up.

Sign Up for NACAC Virtual College Fairs! More than 600 colleges and universities will be online to talk with high school juniors and seniors on each of these dates this fall: Sept 13, Oct 12, Oct 18, and Nov 8. Register now at virtualcollegefairs.org and log in on the fair dates using your phone or computer. Select which colleges you're interested in and attend their live and interactive Zoom sessions. Also available are NACAC Meet-Ups on finding your best college fit, paying for college, and more. Parents invited, too.

See Mrs. Kohuth's email from earlier Friday (8/28) requesting **shout outs for our Clark Faculty and Staff** – please nominate anyone from our Clark Team who has gone above and beyond to support you as a student or parent. Full details in that email.

Lunch ordering must be done for the week before 8:00 am on Mondays. Order [here](#).

2021 Prudential Spirit of Community Award: Are you a high school student making a difference through volunteering? Apply today for national recognition, a \$1,000 scholarship and an invitation to the program's national recognition events! The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards honors students in grades 5-12 for making meaningful contributions to their communities through volunteer service. Applications are due **November 10, 2020**. Find out more online at <https://spirit.prudential.com/>.

ACTION NEEDED from many of you! We need EACH student, along with a parent/guardian, to complete the required "Acknowledgments Form" [here](#). 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 ASAP.

Safety Information

- Clark follows the **Standard Response Protocol** for safety (same as MCSD). Learn more from the attached documents. We will be showing a video to students in their classes Monday so they can review and/or learn.
- Woo hoo! We have new picnic tables outside! 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.
- Facial coverings are required, per IRSC Board policy, when you are in an IRSC building... this includes Clark. Students who have to be prompted multiple times may face disciplinary action. We all need to work together to keep moving in the right direction with infection control. Thanks to all who are doing a great job adjusting to these new expectations. My DREAM is that we will have some return to normalcy in all the good ways sooner than later!
- Make sure you are washing your hands more than ever and using sanitizer frequently. There's no reason to let germs attend Clark!

Save the dates:

- 10th and 11th 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

Club and Activity News:

Next week, the calendar will be shared with the start dates for all of the Clark clubs and activities. We'd love to see you involved in at least one of these. Colleges and scholarship donors also love to see you involved!

National Honor Society: If you were inducted at your previous school, your membership will transfer and you are eligible to participate as soon as meetings begin in September. If you have not been inducted, GPAs will be reviewed after semester 1 and offers made to new students at that time.

Make sure to drop into **Interact Club beginning Monday, Sept 14** at 12:30-12:50 in The Dome! Interact is a Rotary-sponsored service club that gives high school students a chance to participate in service projects that are meaningful! We have new options for volunteer hours every week with local community organizations and national & global charities. I hope to see many of you there – or have you join Clark's Interact Club virtually! If you have any questions, email: Nicholas_lynch@clarkalc.net Email Nick for link if you'd like to attend virtually.

Handbook highlights

p. 10-11: If you know you will need to miss classes, please adhere to the following: 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. For early dismissal from campus (when you have a Clark class), see Mrs. Wood in her office which is now upstairs in room 218. If she is unavailable, you can see someone at the front desk.

p. 13: Dress Code. Please make sure to review the box "Not Allowed." So far so good for the most part, but we do want to highlight the first bullet point: Any clothing that exposes the torso, cleavage, and/or undergarments.

Articles of Interest for Parents

If you have requested to be added to the Google Classroom guardian summary for Mrs. Hutcheson's classes, please check your emails and accept the invitations.

Click the ctrl button on your keyboard to read the following articles:

[Harvard Psychologists Reveal: Parents Who Raise 'Kind' Kids Do These 5 Things...](#)

[Why Intentionally Building Empathy Is More Important Now Than Ever](#)

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