

A Message from the Principal

January 4, 2012

Happy New Year!

I hope your family is enjoying the winter break and took time to relax and enjoy your holiday. It was wonderful to see so many of you turn out for our Winter Program. Mr. Hancock and our scholars truly did an amazing job. Thank you so much for all of the cards and gifts that I received. It truly helped make my holiday special.

All students are expected to return JANUARY 10th. Please assist us with making sure that our scholars arrive on time and are well-rested. The teachers will be returning a day early and are planning to jump straight into instruction upon their return.

SEE US IN ACTION- JANUARY 20th!

When we return from break, teachers will once again be inviting you to our quarterly "See Us In Action" day. The one from quarter one was a huge success as parents came to visit their child's classroom and observe first hand arts-infusion at its best! Please be on the lookout for fliers regarding this event.

Re-enrollment Forms

ILCS has made tremendous progress over the past three years and we are looking forward to continuing that success with our current student population.

On January 10th, you will receive a form from our main office inquiring about student placement for the upcoming school year. If you are planning to re-enroll your student for the 2012-2013 school year, YOU MUST COMPLETE AND RETURN THE RE-ENROLLMENT FORM BY JANUARY 12TH.

Uniforms

The temperature is dropping and we appreciate those of you who are adhering to our uniform policy. Please be reminded that per the Family Handbook, **all shirts worn under the ILCS uniform shirt are to match the color of the ILCS uniform shirt that your child is assigned.** For example, if your child is in a white shirt, the sleeves underneath **MUST BE WHITE.**

I am addressing this early so that no parent is surprised by a uniform infraction if warranted. All bottoms are to be navy and all shoes and belts are to be black.

I appreciate your attention and cooperation.



Sixth grade scholars showing off their artistic talent in the door decorating contest

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PICK UP AND DROP OFF

Parents, we need your help. Our staff members are being subjected to unfair treatment in an effort to ensure the safe transition of our students.

In the morning, staff members are now expected to park in the front row of spaces, while cones have been strategically placed to encourage the flow of traffic around the perimeter of our lot. This will allow for our CPA and visiting parents to safely cross the parking lot into the building.

We CANNOT allow for parents to hold up traffic and park in front of the building at any time. The flow of traffic must keep moving in order to get our scholars into the building on time.

At dismissal, we must continue to have our parents enter from Raymond and make a left into the parking lot. You are then to circle around the perimeter of the lot and exit right and head south on Sloan back toward Raymond St.

You will not be permitted to turn in front of the buses. Again, this is to ensure the safe transition of our students. Your continued compliance is appreciated.



Upcoming Dates

JANUARY:

12 Re-Enrollment Forms Due

16 No School/MLK, Jr. Day

20 End of 2nd Quarter / "See Us in Action" Day

27 Half Day for Students/

Parent-Teacher Conferences

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Rituals, Routines and Expectations

By now, all scholars have been made aware of the expectations that we have for them both inside the classroom and on the bus. Unfortunately, many of our scholars have had to be reminded of the consequences that must be enforced for misbehavior, but with your support, we are confident that all of our students will demonstrate behaviors that are acceptable and expected for their continued success.

Please take a moment to review the Family Handbook with your child to ensure that they understand what is expected of them daily.

STUDENT SERVICES

Due to changes within the DOE, some information regarding student services is not automatically available to schools. If your child has received services in the past that you feel are not being addressed at ILCS, please notify our Director of Exceptional Children, Travis Campbell.



