



# RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

A Second Campus of Herron High School

Weekly Update: March 6, 2020

Dear Indianapolis Classical Schools Families,

Indiana health officials have confirmed the first case of the coronavirus in Indianapolis. Governor Holcomb has declared a public health emergency in Indiana in order to access federal funds. We want you to be aware that we are closely monitoring all information about the Coronavirus (COVID-19), and that we are taking steps to enhance our own cleaning and prevention practices.

Currently, China, Iran, South Korea, Italy, and Japan are under travel alerts and restrictions, and California, Washington State, and now Indiana, are under state of emergencies. Because this a new virus, this information is extremely fluid and often changes.

As spring break approaches, we are evaluating all planned student trips over the next six months and will be closely monitoring the fast-moving news regarding those destinations. We ask families who have travel plans for spring break to do the same.

If you are planning trips to international destinations or states which have declared a state of emergency, we encourage you to regularly monitor the State Department's travel alerts and follow all of their recommendations. The CDC is also tracking all reports of outbreaks and updating their website as new information about coronavirus becomes known. Please continue to check the CDC website for current travel information as well as ways to help protect your family.

Please adhere to the following preventative measures:

- Students should stay home if they are sick or experiencing fever. Students should stay home for 24 hours after vomiting and 24 hours AFTER being fever-free with any type of illness.
- Students and their families should avoid contact with people who are sick.
- Please avoid hand shaking – use a fist bump etc
- Use disinfectant wipes at stores to clean handles and child seats
- Wash your hands frequently with soap for 20 seconds and/or use a greater than 60% alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- Cough or sneeze into a disposable tissue and discard. Use your elbow only if no tissue is available. This particular virus can live on clothing for several days.

We want to share with you what we are doing to reduce the spread of all viruses:

- Herron High School and Riverside High School have hand sanitizer and tissues in every office and classroom.
- We are thoroughly disinfecting each school twice each week.
- Next week, we will remind students about proper hand washing techniques.
- As a precaution in the event a local outbreak occurs, students will take a private survey about their access to the internet and a computer device in their homes. We are confident in our ability to continue providing educational services despite any local disruptions.
- We will continue to monitor the CDC and Marion County Public Health Department websites.

Please help us protect our community by reviewing proper hand-washing and hygiene techniques with your student. Thank you for your help with keeping our students and staff healthy.

Janet H. McNeal

President, Indianapolis Classical Schools

## ICS wins the 2020 Cook Cup for Outstanding Restoration for Riverside High School



We are so proud and excited to receive the prestigious Cook Cup from Indiana Landmarks this year! Indiana Landmarks was a tremendous partner in not only helping us save this remarkable piece of Indiana history but in creating a real community change-maker for our scholars and our neighbors. We LOVE our home and promise to make you proud in our care of it! 📍

<https://www.indianalandmarks.org/2020/03/naval-armory-restoration-takes-top-prize/>

## Indianapolis Classical Schools 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Soirée

Indianapolis Classical Schools' 5th Annual Soirée will be held on April 18, 2020 in the Basile Theater at the historic Athenæum.

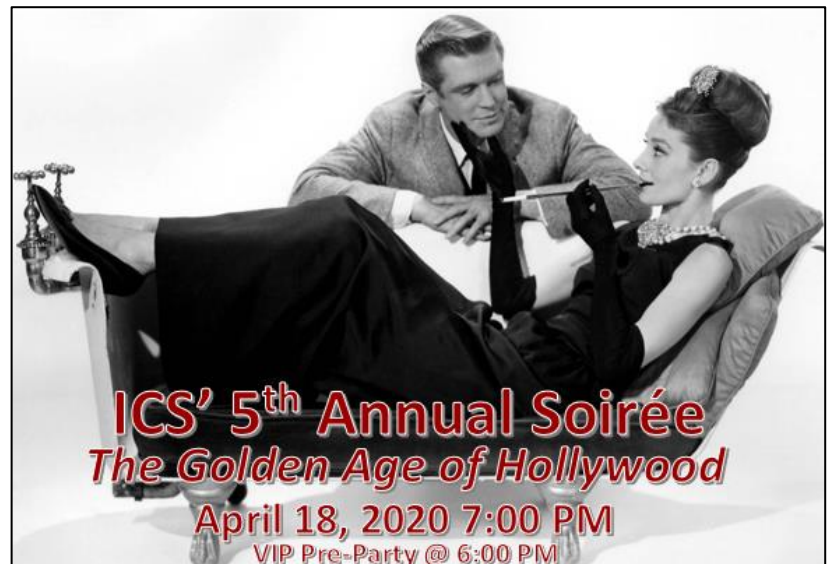
What is Soirée? Soirée began as a way for ICS families to meet one another, get to know our faculty and raise funds for our schools. This event has grown over the years to become a much-loved affair for the entire community, featuring wonderful food, dancing, entertainment, auctions and more! Tickets can be purchased [here](#).

If you or someone you know may be interested in sponsoring our event, please contact Robin Knop-Mires at

[rknop@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org](mailto:rknop@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org), call 317-231-0010 Ex. 16118 or download a form [here](#).

We are also still seeking donations for our silent auction and our live dessert dash auction. If you have something to donate, please contact Michelle Melton at [mmelton@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org](mailto:mmelton@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org), call 317-231-0010 Ex. 16159 or download a silent auction donor form [here](#) or a dessert dash donor form [here](#).

For more information about our event, to preview some of our silent auction items (we've only just started gathering donations), to register to bid or purchase tickets, go to our event website, <https://icschools.cbo.io>



### ICS Scholars Honored by Fortnightly Literary Club

Each year, the Fortnightly Literary Club sponsors an essay writing contest for the students of Indianapolis Classical Schools. Every student writes and submits an essay as part of our English Language Arts curriculum. A panel of impartial judges from the literary club declares winners from each grade level and includes students from both Riverside High School and Herron High School. Winning essayists are then invited to a celebratory luncheon and receive a check for \$50.

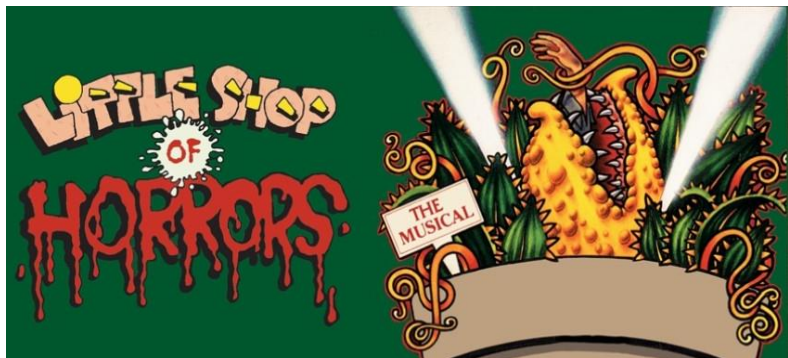
This year's essay prompt asked our students to consider and write about change: "Change can be an unwanted and frustrating thing. We often prefer our lives to stay the way they are without any disturbances. However, we often forget that changes and disruptions help mold us. What is a change that you have experienced in your life, and how has it formed you into who you are today?"

Please help us celebrate the following students and their winning essays!

- 9th grade: Livia Wininger
- 10th grade: Rianna Butcher
- 11th grade: Jatara Tyler
- 12th grade: Connor Foley

### ICS Theatre Club Presents *Little Shop of Horrors*

A stellar cast of Herron High School and Riverside High School students will entrance you in Howard Ashman and Alan Menken's deviously delicious sci-fi smash musical, *Little Shop of Horrors*, directed by ICS Theatre Instructor Hannah Boswell.



Performances are:

- Friday, April 24 - Doors @ 6:30 PM, Curtain @ 7:00 PM
- Saturday, April 25 - Doors @ 6:30 PM, Curtain @ 7:00 PM
- Sunday, April 26 - Doors @ 1:30 PM, Curtain @ 2:00 PM - MATINEE!!
- Friday, May 1 - Doors @ 6:30 PM, Curtain @ 7:00 PM
- Saturday, May 2 - Doors @ 1:30 PM, Curtain @ 2:00 PM - MATINEE!!
- Sunday, May 3 - Doors @ 1:30 PM, Curtain @ 2:00 PM - MATINEE!!

**PLEASE NOTE: The Saturday, May 2 performance IS A MATINEE PERFORMANCE**

Tickets can be purchased in advance at <https://littleshop-ics.eventbrite.com> . Tickets are \$15.00 for reserved seats, \$10.00 for Adults and \$5.00 for students.

### Riverside High School Family Support Team

RHS' Family Support Team meets every SECOND Monday at Riverside High School from 5:00 – 6:00 PM:

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|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Monday, March 9, 2020 | Monday, April 13, 2020 |                        |
| Monday, May 11, 2020  | Monday, June 8, 2020   | July 2020 – No Meeting |

### RHS Uniform Closet

We are in need of a re-supply for our uniform closet! We are accepting donations of excellent condition white crewnecks and black and brown belts. If you or anyone in your community would like to donate, please have them drop off at student services.

## Upcoming Calendar Highlights – Tentative 20-21 School Year Calendar is attached!

### **MARCH**

Monday, March 9 Family Support Team Meeting 5:00 PM  
Saturday, March 14 Saturday School 9:00 AM  
March 23 – 26 Benchmark Exams  
March 27- April 5 Spring Break

### **APRIL**

Mon April 6 Classes resume 9:00 Am  
Thurs & Fri April 16 & 17 Grade 10 ISTEP+ Testing - Grades 9 & 11 E-Learning Day  
Friday, April 17 Riley Dance Marathon  
Saturday April 18 ICS' Fifth Annual Soirée  
Wed April 22 ICS Jazz Ensemble Concert  
Friday April 24 No School for Students  
Friday April 24 Prom  
Fri April 24 – Sun April 26 ICS Theatre Department presents Little Shop of Horrors (And May 1-3)

### Riverside High School Looking for Games

We are in need of new and/or like-new board games, Uno decks, trivia questions, etc. These items are needed to help keep our scholars engaged and content during 5<sup>th</sup> period. Please bring your donations to student services!

### Parent/Guardian Volunteers Needed for Soirée Committee

We are still looking for volunteers to help us plan our 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Soirée. Soirée is ICS' flagship fundraising event and a very special night for parents, faculty and ICS supporters to get to know one another. Contact Michelle Melton at [mmelton@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org](mailto:mmelton@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org) if you would like to participate.

### TeamSmile + Pacers Free Dental Clinic Program on March 17

The Indiana Pacers and TeamSmile are offering a free dental clinic to any interested Riverside High School scholar. The clinic is free to all, regardless of dental insurance status. Scholars will be provided with transportation to and from school for this trip. Parents who wish to enroll their student, will need to complete this form: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdxwPT-8wbN8kP8erLY5czrQlkt3Rmo6wGIITsF-SrnHOnUSQ/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdxwPT-8wbN8kP8erLY5czrQlkt3Rmo6wGIITsF-SrnHOnUSQ/viewform?usp=sf_link)

### Riverside High School Night with the Indiana Pacers

The Pacers are offering RHS Families and friends discounted group tickets to the Friday, April 3 game with the Nets. Doors open at 6:00 PM and Tipoff is at 7:00. Also, a portion of each ticket purchased will be donated back to the RHS Athletic Department and Basketball Program! To order your tickets, go to: <https://pacers.formstack.com/forms/riverside> . Tickets are \$38.00 for Lower Balcony and \$24.00 for Upper Balcony.



# PACERS VS. NETS

FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 2020 | TIPOFF 7:00PM | DOORS OPEN 6:00PM\*  
\* SUBJECT TO CHANGE



## Riverside High School Yearbooks Are On Sale Now

RHS Yearbooks are now available for online purchase. Go to [www.yearbookordercenter.com](http://www.yearbookordercenter.com) and use code 17339 to purchase.

## Riverside Park Family Art Night



Every First Friday, Free Family Art Night at Riverside Park. Music, poetry, Open Mic & More! At 2420 E. Riverside Drive, Indpls, IN 46208

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## Benchmark Exams – Schedule UDATES

We are adjusting our Spring Benchmark Exam schedule to differentiate for students who taking an AP test or not in any given period.

This year, we will run the following daily schedule for Spring Benchmarks from March 23 - 26, Monday - Thursday:

Exam 1:

8:00 - 11:00- AP

9:00 - 11:00- Non-AP

Common Lunch in Exam 1: 11:00 - 11:39

Exam 2:

11:45 - 1:45- Non-AP

11:45 - 2:45- AP

\*\*We WILL provide 5th period until 2:45 so that students who ride-share with students in AP classes can still do so.

\*\*Students still do not need to be in attendance during their seminar period, but they may choose to be.

Daily exam period breakdown:

Monday, March 23: A1 / A2

Tuesday, March 24: B1 / B2

Wednesday, March 25: A3 / A4

Thursday, March 26: B3 / B4

## Scheduling For 2020-2021 School Year

Scheduling for the 2020-2021 will begin on February 18th, 2020. Below are some key dates we want you to know about:

### **February 18th                      Online Scheduling Portal Opens**

Families can access the online scheduling portal through PowerSchool for the 2020-2021 school year. An instructional video will be available detailing how online scheduling can be completed. Online scheduling assists the school counseling team in making our 1:1 meetings more efficient with your scholar! Online scheduling enables you to select courses for your scholar.

### **February 20th                      Scheduling Timeline**

Scheduling timeline will be presented in Advisory to students

### **February 28th                      Scheduling Information Parent Session 8:30 AM-9:15 AM**

We welcome you to join us for a parent information session on scheduling for 2020-2021. We will outline our process and timeline as well as provide information regarding course offerings and graduation requirements. A session will be offered at both RHS and HHS.

### **March 2nd-March 4th              Scheduling Work Time in Advisory**

Students will build/update their Four Year Plan. Students will also have time to look at course offerings, the course book, and complete online scheduling!

### **March 6th                              Online Scheduling Portal Closes**

The online scheduling portal through PowerSchool for 2020-2021 will close on this date. This is to ensure that school counselors can update courses appropriately and build schedules for the school year.

### **Beginning March 9th              1:1 Scheduling**

Every scholar will meet one on one with a school counselor to select courses for the 2020-2021 school year. During one on one meetings, school counselors check to make sure scholars are on track for graduation and are selecting proper courses. School counselors will meet with students during their Seminar or Advisory periods. One on one scheduling will continue through the end of the school year. It does not matter what order your scholar is scheduled nor does it affect placement in courses.

Course selections will NOT be finalized until a signed yellow Course Selection Form is returned to the school counseling team. This is to ensure that you, the parent/guardian, approve the selected courses for the next school year.

Resources will be sent home via automated email as well as posted on our website and Haiku page (<https://www.myhaikuclass.com/herronadvising/advising/>).

We look forward to another great year and can't wait to select courses with your scholars!

If you have any questions about the scheduling process, don't hesitate to contact me.

Shelby Briggs  
Director of Counseling  
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## New vaccination requirement for 2020-21 school year

Indiana began experiencing a hepatitis A outbreak in November 2017 that has resulted in 2,359 cases, 1,312 hospitalizations and 4 deaths to date. In July 2019, a school vaccine requirements advisory group unanimously agreed to require two valid doses of hepatitis A vaccine for all grades beginning in the fall of the 2020-2021 school year. The hepatitis A vaccine is a two-dose series that is routinely recommended

beginning at 12 months of age. This two-dose series requires at least six months between doses. This vaccine series is safe and effective at preventing hepatitis A, a highly contagious viral liver infection.

Riverside High School requires that all students receive the first dose of hepatitis A by August 12, 2020, and the second dose by February 12, 2021.

In addition, seniors are required to receive two doses of MCV4 (meningitis) by August 12, 2020. Records may be submitted by fax to 317-231-3759, by email to [ttroutman@riversidehighschool.org](mailto:ttroutman@riversidehighschool.org), or submitted to Student Services.

### Updated Disciplinary Policy

Indianapolis Classical Schools has updated the disciplinary policy. Please make note of the following:

## **EXPULSION**

Students may be expelled from school for a variety of reasons. Prior to expulsion, students will be offered the requisite due process, including the opportunity for an expulsion meeting. Expellable offenses include but are not limited to the following:

- Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person.
- Unlawful possession, use, distribution or receipt of any controlled substance, alcoholic beverage or other intoxicant; or been under the influence of any controlled substance or alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind.
- Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any controlled substance or an intoxicant of any kind, and then either sold, delivered, or otherwise furnished to any person another liquid, substance, or material and represented the liquid, substance, or materials as a controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant.
- Committed robbery or extortion.
- Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property.
- Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property.
- Possessed or used tobacco, any products containing tobacco or nicotine, cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, chew packets.
- Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
- Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell any drug or drug paraphernalia.
- Committed repeated acts of insubordination, including failure to abide by school policies and behavioral expectations, behavioral plans or contracts; substantial disobedience or misconduct; academic insubordination including failure to comply with mandatory remediation programming and improvement plans.
- Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other personnel engaged in the performance of their duties.
- Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
- Engage in any illegal activities under State or Federal laws.
- Was convicted of a felony charge in a juvenile or adult court, whether the act took place on or off campus, and whether it occurred during or outside regular school hours.

### Free Version of Microsoft Office 365 Available for All Students

All students may sign up for a completely free version of Office 365, which includes Word, Excel, PowerPoint, OneNote and Microsoft Teams, plus additional classroom tools. Students will need to use their school email address to enroll. Please visit the school website for registration details in the Classroom Tools section or click the link [here](#).

### After School Meal Program by Indy Parks

Indy Parks offers a Free After School Meal Program for all students 18 and under. The program is available Monday through Friday and there's no registration necessary. Times are subject to change, call 317-327-PARK or go to <https://www.indy.gov/activity/after-school-meal-program>



## After School Meal Serving Sites

- Christian Park - 4200 E English Ave. - Supper: 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Douglass Park - 1616 E 25th St.
  - Snack: 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
  - Supper: 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
- Municipal Gardens - 1831 Lafayette Rd. - Supper: 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Riverside Park - 2420 E Riverside Dr. - Supper: 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Spades Park Library - 1801 Nowland Ave. - Supper: 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
- Washington Park- 3130 E 30th St.
  - Supper: 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.
- Watkins Park - 2360 Martin Luther King St.
  - Supper: 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. & 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Windsor Village Park - 6510 E 25th St. - Supper: 5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

## Mobile Serving Sites

### Monday - Thursday

- 38th St Library- 5420 E 38th St.- 4:50 p.m. - 5:20 p.m.
- Brightwood Library- 2435 N Sherman Dr.- 4:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- College Library- 4180 N College Ave.- 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- Haughville Library- 2121 W Michigan St.- 5:05 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
- West Branch Library- 1216 S Kappes St.- 4:25 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.

### RHS Uniform Exchange

Families wishing to sell, purchase or trade gently used Riverside High School Uniforms can join the Riverside High School Uniform Exchange on Facebook. Go to <https://www.facebook.com/groups/2309506375836210/> or do a search for "Riverside Uniform Resale" in Groups. You must request to join the group.

### Interested in Substitute Teaching?

We are always interested in adding to our list of substitute teachers. If you are passionate about education and have at least two years of college, we'd love to have you sign up as a substitute teacher at Herron High School and Riverside High School. Please contact [Cheryl West](#) for info.



## How You Can Help Riverside High School at NO COST to you!!



Before Shopping for your Thanksgiving Meal, please register your Kroger Card and Choose ICS as your designated donor organization.

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## The Indianapolis Classical Schools Fund

It takes many resources to establish & sustain the excellence that Herron High School and Riverside High School have attained. However, ICS faces the ongoing challenge of achieving this with *fewer* resources than other public schools receive.

As public charter schools, we only get a portion of the funds that it takes to provide a world-class education - with an incredible faculty, dedicated one-on-one attention for every student, enrichment opportunities like field trips, extracurricular clubs & athletics, and global travel opportunities... *and it's not enough.*

This year, we must raise more than \$400,000 to meet our operating gap and we need your help! We ask you to give generously as you are able with a gift to The Indianapolis Classical Schools Fund.

We established *The Indianapolis Classical Schools Fund* as our annual fundraising initiative to meet this need. 100% of every gift you make will directly benefit the scholars of Herron High School & Riverside High School.

Your gift will help to provide the financial support needed to attract and retain the best teachers, finances maintenance and upkeep on our historical campuses, and allows us to offer our award-winning classical, liberal arts curriculum. In the past, these funds have helped to purchase team uniforms and classroom furniture, provide for transportation to events such as the Indiana Ethics Bowl competition, pay the royalties for the school musical, or purchase bus passes for scholars who need them. The fund also supports our emergency fund, which has assisted scholars and their families with utility bills, groceries and housing in times of crisis.

Throughout the year, you'll receive appeals to give to *The Indianapolis Classical Schools Fund*. Please choose to support our scholars as you are able. We depend on your support!

Visit <http://www.riversidehighschool.org/give/> to make a gift.

If you have any questions, please contact Robin Knop-Mires, Director of Community Outreach and Annual Fund, at <mailto:rknop@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org> or 317-231-0010 ext. 16118.

### **Indianapolis Classical Schools Parent/Student Handbook**

Now online at <https://www.riversidehighschool.org/families/forms-policies/student-parent-handbook/> or just go to [riversidehighschool.org](http://riversidehighschool.org) and search for handbook.

### **School Medical Office**

Health forms can be found on the school website at: <https://www.riversidehighschool.org/families/forms-policies/student-wellness/> In addition to the typical services provided by a School Nurse, our school medical staff also offers Sports Physical Exams. To arrange for a physical, please stop by or call the Nurse's office at 1-317-231-0010 ext. 1163.

### **IndyGo Bus Routes**

If you are incoming student or a returning student who has moved over the summer, IndyGo provides a trip planning service on their website. For route information, [visit IndyGo](#) for route information.

### **Indianapolis Classical Schools' Board of Directors Meetings**

Indianapolis Classical Schools' Board of Directors meets regularly on the third Tuesday of alternating months. The next meeting will be March 17, 2020 at 7:30am and will take place in the Riverside High School conference room.

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