



RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

A Second Campus of Herron High School

Update: January 8, 2021

Highlights:

Dear ICS Families,

As much as we celebrate a successful start to the second semester of our school year, we are burdened that it aligned with the tragic attack on the U.S. Capitol that occurred Wednesday. It was challenging and disheartening to see the fabric of our democracy threatened and the ongoing tensions and divides on display.

As we process these recent events, we take the opportunity to reflect on the mission and core values of our schools and affirm our commitment to equity for all students.

Our mission statement reads: "Indianapolis Classical Schools is a community of scholars that advances timeless ideas and content, builds a culture of respect and trust, and engages in an urban environment in order to prepare students to be world-class citizens."

Now more than ever, we must equip our students with the skills to be civically engaged - cultivating opportunities for critical thinking and meaningful dialogue - and we must continue to look for ways to dismantle inequities and systemic racism that we see.

Truly, it is our belief in our scholars and the role they will have in building a brighter future that gives us hope and drives the work that we do every day.

Sincerely,

ICS Leadership

Janet H. McNeal – President

Dr. Jonathan Harris – Vice President, Academics

Dr. Deborah Cooney – Vice President, Operations

Juli Woodrum – Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Dr. Tenika Holden-Flynn – Interim Head of School, Herron High School

Katie Dorsey – Head of School, Riverside High School

RHS on the News!

**Upcoming
Calendar
Highlights**

**Support RHS by
shopping at
Kroger or Amazon**

**Important:
Updating Contact
Information**

**ENROLLMENT
QUESTIONS?**

Call Ms. Young at
317-231-0010 ext.
16106

Note about Class Time for AP Scholars

Advanced Placement exams are approaching quickly. In order to prepare students for the rigorous exams, Advanced Placement classes will be held for the full 75 minutes of class time beginning Thursday, January 14th. Please direct any questions to Mrs. Dorsey.

Upcoming Calendar Highlights

January

Monday, January 18

Tuesday, January 26

Wednesday, January 27

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, No School

PSAT for some 11th and 12th Grade Students; Office Hours Day

B Day

February

Friday, Feb 12-15

Tuesday, February 16

Presidents' Day Weekend, No School

Classes Resume, 9:00 AM

Virtual Office Hours with RHS Assistant Head of School and Dean of Students

Riverside High School admin is excited to host virtual office hours for families on Thursdays and Fridays. These are opportunities reserved just for our families to chat about your top-of-mind thoughts with the Assistant Head of School and Deans of Students. Schedule your time here:

tinyurl.com/RiversideAdminOH. We will meet virtually at tinyurl.com/RiversideAHS. We look forward to sharing time with you!

Riverside High School on WTHR Ch 13 this week

Don't miss Mrs. Dorsey and founding scholar Ayriana Clay on WTHR Ch 13 this week! Their interview with 13INsideTrack reporter Laura Steele will air Thursday Jan 14 on the Noon News at 12:55 and then repeat on Sunday Jan 17 at 9:55 a.m. Don't miss it!



Important: Updating Contact Information

We must always have updated contact information for parents and guardians of students so that we can quickly be in contact in the case of an emergency, illness, or other school need. If you have recently changed your contact information (home phone, cell phone, email address, physical address, etc), please complete [this form](#) or email the new information to studentservices@riversidehighschool.org.

Community Learning Sites

Need a safe, in-person space for your child to learn during virtual learning? The Mind Trust is hosting Community Learning Sites. These sites are weekday e-learning support at no cost for students of working families in grades K-12. Breakfast and lunch served. More details, visit www.CommunityLearningSites.org.



FAMILIES & STUDENTS WE GOT YOU

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eLearning Support for Working Families. **ALL STUDENTS MUST REGISTER.** LEARN MORE - COMMUNITYLEARNINGSITES.ORG

Riverside High School Virtual Museum

Visit the RHS Virtual Museum at <https://sites.google.com/riversidehighschool.org/rhs-fine-arts/home?authuser=2>

This site is a collection of current 2020-2021 Art students work at Riverside High School. The site will continue to be updated throughout the year as we create new artwork together.



Guest Teachers

ICS is always on the lookout for great Guest Teachers! Our best guest teachers are often ICS family members! If you or someone in your community is interested in learning more about the criteria and role, please reach out to Cheri West at cwest@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org

Enrollment at Riverside High School for 2021-22 School Year

Enrollment for the 2021-22 school year opened on Friday, October 30. If you have an 8th grader who would like to enroll at either Herron or Riverside, be sure to fill out an application by January 29 to be guaranteed a spot. <https://enrollindy.org/onematch/apply/>

Stitches Club Yarn Donations

Riverside High School is collecting yarn donations in order to begin making hats and scarves for those in need as the colder months approach. If you have any yarn that you would be willing to donate to support the cause, please send it to Riverside High School, C/O Chasten Bear. For more information, email Mr. Bear at <mailto:cbear@riversidehighschool.org>.

Virtual Info Sessions for Prospective Families

Tell your family and friends to join us every Thursday at 7 p.m. to learn more about Riverside High School. Sign up at <https://www.riversidehighschool.org/enroll/open-house-events/>

Herron Preparatory Academy

Dear ICS Families,
We are excited to announce the opening of Herron Preparatory Academy! Herron Preparatory Academy will launch in the fall of 2021 with grades K through 2. In years one and two, we will be housed in a temporary location on the north lot of Herron High School while we prepare our permanent building. We will have two classes in each grade level from Kindergarten to 2nd grade and expand a grade level each year until we are a complete K-8 school.



Enrollment is open now for Kindergarten through 2nd grade through the Enroll Indy website: <https://enrollindy.org/onematch/apply/>. If you have any questions about how to enroll, we are happy to help you with the process. Please note that in order to obtain a seat, it is best to apply during round one of open enrollment, and list Herron Preparatory Academy as your number one choice. If you have already completed the application and wish to change your first choice to Herron Preparatory Academy, you may login to your account via the Enroll Indy website and make the change.

Enrollment dates are listed below:

- Round 1 - Apply between October 30-January 29; results will be texted and emailed to families on February 23.
- Round 2 - Apply between February 1-April 20; results will be texted and emailed to families May 20.

Please reach out to Mr. Sean Henseleit shenseleit@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org with any questions pertaining to curriculum or instruction, and to Ms. Lynn House lhouse@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org for information on enrollment.

Follow Herron Prep on Social Media

To stay connected with what's happening at our newest school, follow us on these social media apps:
FB - <https://www.facebook.com/HerronPrep>
Instagram - @herronprep
Twitter - Herron Preparatory Academy @AcademyHerron

Where Can I Find???

Looking for something on the school website? Here are the links to some frequently requested resources:

- [Advising page](https://sites.google.com/herronhighschool.org/rhsadvising/home) - <https://sites.google.com/herronhighschool.org/rhsadvising/home>
- [Family resources](https://www.riversidehighschool.org/families/) - <https://www.riversidehighschool.org/families/> from here you can link to our orientation recordings and slides, classroom tools, school fees, student meals and more
- [E-Learning info](https://www.riversidehighschool.org/e-learning/) - <https://www.riversidehighschool.org/e-learning/>
- [News + Announcements](https://www.riversidehighschool.org/news-announcements/) - <https://www.riversidehighschool.org/news-announcements/>

Also, please keep in mind that our website has a very robust search engine. If you're unable to find something, click the spyglass on the upper right side of the website menu and type in the information you want to find

Technology Needs – MS Office

If you need Office on your personal devices, please follow the link to sign up for the free version offered to students here: <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/education/products/office/default.aspx?tab=schools&ms.officeurl=education&rtc=1>

You will need to use your school email address.

In this version, you get:

- Web versions of Word, PowerPoint, Excel, OneNote, and Outlook
- Desktop version of OneNote
- Microsoft Teams, a digital hub that integrates the conversations, content, and apps your school needs to be more collaborative and engaged
- Class and Staff notebooks
- Professional Learning Community (PLC) groups
- Self-grading quizzes with Forms
- Digital storytelling with Sway
- Inform and engage with communication sites and team sites throughout your intranet using SharePoint
- Compliance solutions with a unified eDiscovery center

The Indianapolis Classical Schools (ICS) Fund

As a public charter school, Riverside High School and Herron High School receives a just a portion of the funds necessary 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.

We need you! With your gift, you will support our ability to attract and retain the best teachers! Your generosity also helps keep our historic campuses, not only beautiful but functioning. Through your giving, you are ensuring tuition-free access to award-winning classical, liberal arts curriculum at ICS.

Make your gift online at <https://www.indianapolisclassicalschoools.org/give>

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Neher Sommers, Vice President and Chief Development Officer, at jsommers@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org

Shop and Earn Donations for Indianapolis Classical Schools

Indianapolis Classical Schools takes part in the **Kroger Community Rewards Program** and **AmazonSmile**. Through these initiatives, Kroger and Amazon will donate a percentage of your Shopping bill to our school **every time** you use your Kroger Plus Card or shop at [Smile.Amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) – at NO cost to you! The programs will not cost you anything or affect your rewards in any way. Please take a few moments today to sign up for these programs:



To Enroll in Kroger Community Rewards:

- Go to <https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards>
- Once you've established or signed into your online Kroger account, link your Card to Indianapolis Classical Schools.
 - Search for **Indianapolis Classical Schools** OR our Kroger organization number, **MD414** in the "Find an Organization" window.
- Next, click the "Enroll" button under Indianapolis Classical Schools, and you're enrolled!
- Any transactions moving forward using the Shopper's Card number associated with your digital account will be applied to the program, at no added cost to you. Kroger donates annually to participating organizations based on your percentage of spending as it relates to the total spending associated with all participating Kroger Community Rewards organizations.

Be sure to scan your Kroger Plus Card or enter your Alt ID with every purchase!



To Participate in AmazonSmile:

- Go to www.smile.amazon.com on your web browser or activate AmazonSmile on your Amazon Shopping app on your iOS or Android phone (**found under settings on your app**). On your browser, you may also want to add a bookmark to [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com) to make it even easier to return and start your shopping at AmazonSmile. When you're using the app, always check for the "AmazonSmile" logo to ensure you're activated for AmazonSmile.

On your first visit to [smile.amazon.com](https://www.smile.amazon.com), you will need to select "**Indianapolis Classical Schools**" as the charitable organization to receive donations from eligible purchases. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make through AmazonSmile will result in a donation.

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