



RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

A Second Campus of Herron High School

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

Dear Riverside Families,

A few weeks again, we hosted a team of educators from Marian University to complete our 4th Year Charter Evaluation as required by the Mayor's office. The team dove deep in to all aspects of the school, meeting with students, teachers, parents, and staff; reviewing our curriculum and support systems; and observing every single classroom. After their process, they provided our official evaluation. The results, I'm so pleased to share, are incredibly encouraging.

Riverside High School "met standard" on every single indicator, earning the highest rating possible. The most impactful aspect of the evaluation for me and for our faculty and staff team, however, was the narrative provided alongside each indicator rating. This narrative truly tells the story of our school and of the amazing things that happen here (and on zoom!) each day. I wanted to share a few excerpts from the evaluation with you:

In describing the curriculum and instructional model, evaluators shared, "Content is both engaging for at school and at home students in terms of sparking conversation, and application to higher level thinking processes. Riverside has exceeded hybrid learning model teaching standards with extensive focused methodology and student engagement."

In referencing our school culture, they noted, "The parents, students and teachers possess widespread knowledge and commitment to the intentions of the mission. [. . .] Every respondent used words that are included in the mission statement. Such words as community, culture of respect, timeless education (references to classical education and its application to student needs today) prepared students and world class citizens were mentioned over and over again from all groups. There is a sense of pride that the kind, respectful and caring nature of the faculty, staff and administration vibrates throughout the school and is noted and appreciated by parents and students alike."

Lastly, in their summary, the evaluator team remarked, "Overall, Riverside High School is a shining example of what secondary education could be. A respectful and dynamic faculty and staff that cares deeply about their students in terms of academics and social/emotional wellbeing is the cornerstone of a rigorous college prep curriculum and experience. Riverside has championed a high school where all students can attend and achieve and continue to thrive in post-secondary placements while becoming citizens who make differences in their own lives and the lives of others."

These are humbling words. They represent us at our best and speak so deeply to our mission and core values. I am grateful for our entire community and the investment of so many to bring Riverside to where it is now, and we commit to living even more fully in to these statements in the future. For now, I am proud to share them with you and so very grateful for your being with us in the Riverside family!

Best,

Katie Dorsey

Katie Dorsey
Riverside High School
Head of School

Upcoming Calendar Highlights

April

Monday, April 26th
Tuesday, April 27th
Wednesday, April 28th

In-Person Open House for Prospective Families, 5:00 – 7:00 PM
SAT for 11th Grade; Office Hours Day for 9th, 10th, 12th
B Day: In-person for Cohort 1 and 4-Day students

May

Saturday, May 1st
Saturday, May 8th
Wednesday, May 12th

Senior Prom: 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM, Indianapolis Zoo
ICS Movie Night at Tibbs Drive-In – 7:00 PM
Senior Breakfast and Field Day: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM / 9th – 11th
Field Day: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

Enter to Win FREE Movie Night Tickets!

Enter to win **FREE** admission to ICS Movie night at Tibbs Drive-In on **Saturday, May 8, 2021**. Complete the entry form here: <https://forms.gle/VcDdiEXn9LcckBU67> no later than midnight, Wednesday, April 28. Admission is valid for one vehicle, with up to seven passengers. Admission includes Drive-In parking to watch **Spiderman - Into the Spider-Verse** and BBQ dinner provided [Old Gold Barbecue](#) & sponsored by [Cunningham Restaurant Group](#). Entry for the drawing closes Wednesday, April 28, 2021. Winners will be notified via email around Friday, April 30, 2021.



Stock the Workroom!

Stock the Workroom! In appreciation of our faculty and staff, we want to stock our workroom with tasty beverages and snacks for the rest of the semester. Consider dropping off items from this list to Student Services, any day from 9:00 - 4:00, and indicate they are for the Faculty Workroom!



Individual drinks:

Flavored sparkly water
iced tea
Starbucks Frappuccino
soda

Individual snacks:

Trail mix
crackers
popcorn
chips
dried fruit
chocolate
candy
treats



Tickets Now On Sale for Indianapolis Classical Schools Drive In Movie Night

A large red neon sign with a white border and yellow dots, shaped like a movie camera viewfinder. Inside the sign, the words "MOVIE NIGHT" are written in glowing blue neon. The sign is mounted on a black pole with a blue ball at the bottom. To the right of the sign, the text "MAY 8 TIBBS DRIVE-IN" and "TICKETS ON SALE NOW!" is written in glowing blue neon. In the top left corner, there is a logo consisting of a gold square with a white Roman numeral "III" inside. Below the sign, there is a logo for "Presented by CORE REDEVELOPMENT" which includes a stylized cross symbol.

Indianapolis Classical Schools

MAY 8
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Showing Spider-Man: Into the Spideverse! A fundraiser supporting Herron High School, Riverside High School, and Herron Preparatory Academy

Join us on Saturday, May 8, 2020 for **Spider-Man: Into the Spider-verse** at Tibbs Drive-In Theatre for a fundraiser supporting Indianapolis Classical Schools - including Herron High School, Riverside High School, and opening this fall - Herron Preparatory Academy. With your support we will raise \$50,000 in support of the education of our 1,400 scholars!

This event is all ages and family-friendly. A BBQ picnic dinner provided by Old Gold Barbeque and sponsored by Cunningham Restaurant Group is included with your ticket, along with admission to the Drive-In.

The BBQ dinner will be available from 7:00 to 9 pm with the movie beginning around 9 pm.

Tickets can be purchased at <https://one.bidpal.net/icsmovienight> . Don't delay – tickets are limited and on a first-come, first-serve basis. Don't wait – get your ticket now!

Also included in the festivities will be an exciting online silent auction! Check out the available items (which we are adding to daily) here: <https://one.bidpal.net/icsmovienight/browse/all>

Important notes: Each ticket purchased is valid for one vehicle. Each vehicle is limited to seven total passengers. Masks must be worn when visiting concessions, restrooms or any ICS activities at the event and when not in your car or personal parking area. Social-distancing will be expected.

Cap and Gown Pick-Up

RHS Senior cap and gown pick-up will take place on Wednesday, May 12, from 9:00 AM- 1:00 PM. Students attending Senior Breakfast and Field Day can pick their cap and gown up during those events.



HHS and RHS Tumblers

Hello ICS families, the Special Education Department have a few more tumblers we need to sell for our fund raiser. They are high quality tumblers with your school's logo. The cost of each tumbler is \$12.50. Please order one before they run out. You can email Dr. Anderson at sanderson@indianapolisclassicalschoools.org to place your order. We take cash or checks. Check should be made out to Indianapolis Classical Schools. Please put in note section of the check SPED Department. Thank you in advance for supporting our department and your school.

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@herronhighschool.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/>

Vaccine Clinic with IPS

Indianapolis Public Schools is excited to announce a COVID-19 vaccine clinic on **Saturday, May 1, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.**, at the Arsenal Technical High School West Gym, **725 N. Oriental St.** This clinic is in partnership with Walmart and open to IPS students, staff and families age 16 and older.

- Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.
- Only the Pfizer vaccine will be provided.
- The vaccine is free.
- Insurance is not required.
- This is a 2-dose vaccine. The first shot will be administered on May 1.
- The second shot will be scheduled for May 22 at the same location.
- An appointment is required.
- Call 1-833-886-0023 to schedule your appointment. Select Option 4.
- Reference the Indianapolis School District Clinic when making your appointment.

On the day of your appointment, bring the following:

- Your ID
- Insurance card, if you have one

We hope you'll use this opportunity to take your shot for the protection of yourself and our community. For more information, go to www.myips.org.

COVID-19 vaccine information



Getting stronger together starts here!

Walmart is currently providing COVID-19 vaccinations in Indianapolis in partnership with the Indianapolis School District.

Insurance is not required and there is no cost to receive the vaccine.



Why should I get vaccinated?

Getting the COVID-19 vaccine not only helps protect you, but also those around you who are not yet eligible to get the vaccine or are extra-vulnerable. By doing so, you're performing an act of service for your community and freeing up health care resources for those in need with other health conditions.

To learn more visit [CDC.gov/Covidvaccine](https://www.cdc.gov/Covidvaccine)



Is the vaccine safe?

Yes! All available vaccines are both safe and effective especially in preventing hospitalization and death. Some vaccines require two doses and others are effective after one dose. If you have received a two dose vaccine, we will make sure you get scheduled to get the second dose to be fully protected. The COVID-19 vaccine cannot give you COVID-19.

How to schedule a COVID-19 vaccine appointment

The COVID-19 vaccine is available at no cost to you.* Your second vaccination dose will be scheduled during your first dose appointment. **Prior to your appointment, please visit [walmart.com](https://www.walmart.com) and set up an account. This will allow you to scan a QR code on the day of the event to digitally fill out any paperwork and save time at registration.**

Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Call **833-886-0023** to schedule your appointment and select Option 4. Please reference the **Indianapolis School District Clinic**.

Location

Arsenal Technical High School West Gym
725 N Oriental St
Indianapolis, IN 46202

Date and time

Saturday, May 1
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
(Appointment Needed)

What do I bring to my appointment?

On the day of your appointment please bring your ID and insurance card (**red, white, and blue card if over 65**) if you have one. Please plan to stay on-site for at least 15 minutes after your shot while we monitor you for allergic reaction.

* Walmart may bill administration fee to your insurer, health plan or an uninsured fund but will not impose a charge on you.

Individuals 16 years and older are eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine starting March 31

To Register, go to OurShot.IN.gov and find a vaccination site near you, or call 211 if you need assistance scheduling a vaccination.

These vaccines will help keep your child safe.

Your child has likely received several vaccines in their lifetime. Those vaccines have protected them from typical childhood diseases such as measles, chicken pox and others. The COVID-19 vaccine works like those and is especially effective at preventing hospitalization and other serious outcomes.

Only the Pfizer vaccine is approved for anyone younger than 18, so please make sure to register at a site that offers that vaccine. When you make an appointment, you'll search for a nearby site by entering a ZIP code.

The type of vaccine the site is likely to have will be shown in the site listings.



Get the facts about the Pfizer vaccine. Point your smartphone camera at the QR code to learn more.

COVID-19 vaccination is an important tool to help us get back to normal.

The vaccines teach our immune systems how to recognize and fight the virus that causes COVID-19. It typically takes two weeks after vaccination for the body to build protection (otherwise known as immunity) against the virus that causes COVID-19. People are considered fully protected two weeks after their second dose of the Pfizer.



SOCIAL GATHERINGS



VISIT VULNERABLE LOVED ONES



Vaccines will make schools safer.

It is true that kids often have milder, less serious cases of COVID-19, but they can be silent spreaders of the virus in the school setting. Unvaccinated students run the risk of unknowingly transmitting COVID-19 to older teachers, coaches and staff at risk of more severe disease.



What changes after vaccination:

- ✓ You can gather indoors with other fully vaccinated friends and family without wearing a mask.
- ✓ You can gather indoors with unvaccinated people from one other household (for example, visiting with relatives who all live together) without masks, unless any of those people or anyone they live with has an increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.
- ✓ If you've been around someone who has COVID-19, you do not need to stay away from others or get tested unless you have symptoms. *One exception: If you live in a group setting (like a dorm or group home), and your roommate has COVID-19, you should still stay away from others for 14 days and get tested, even if you don't have symptoms.*

In public and at school, your child will still want to take precautions, such as wearing a mask, staying at least 6 feet apart from others and avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces. Experts are still researching things like how long the protection from the vaccine lasts and if it prevents you from giving the disease to other people and will update the guidance for vaccinated people as new information emerges.



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[Click HERE](#) to download the full document from Indiana Department of Health

Community Public Meetings



YOU'RE INVITED

Indianapolis African American Quality of Life Initiative
COMMUNITY PUBLIC MEETINGS



Your Indianapolis Urban League and African American Coalition of Indianapolis will be holding a series of Public Meetings during the month of April. The meetings will be a platform for you to discuss your concerns and share your thoughts about the quality of life for African Americans in the Indianapolis/Marion County area.

This is your community and this is your time to talk about the critical needs of Indianapolis' African American community.

DON'T MISS THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE YOUR VOICE!

THERE WILL BE FIVE PUBLIC MEETINGS IN APRIL ON THE DATES AND TIMES LISTED BELOW.

The meetings will be virtual via Zoom and can be accessed by [clicking here](#) »



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

THURSDAY, APRIL 15, 2021
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 2021
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

SATURDAY, APRIL 24, 2021
10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

THURSDAY, APRIL 29, 2021
5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

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

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.

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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