October 5, 2015

Upcoming Events and Deadlines

10/5 iJazz Nano Auditions

10/6 6th Grade ASB Officer Interest Meeting10/8 6th Grade ASB Officer Interest Meeting

10/9 NO SCHOOL - Professional Development Day

10/13 Buddy Lunch

10/14 6th Grade ASB Officer Election10/14 Staff Appreciation Luncheon

10/19 -10/23 Spirit Week

10/24 Homecoming Dance

PTSA

www.ISPTSA.ORG

Visit our website keep informed about what is going with ISPTSA including meetings, programs and community events and activities. We hope it will be your home for joining the ISPTSA, volunteering, signing up for the Messenger weekly newsletter and keeping current on what is happening at the school.

Please take a moment to:

- 1) Create an ISPTSA account or update your current information. We will be using this for directory information. We will also have an online directory which will be available to ISPTSA members.
- 2) Join the ISPTSA, just click on the link that says Join.
- 3) Sign up for the Monday Messenger weekly e-newsletter, this is the best way to get the most current information on what is happening at school.
- 4) Volunteer There are lots of ways to volunteer, both from home and at school. Parent involvement in creating and staffing programs such as Reflections, Staff Appreciation, Grade level representatives, awarding grants and editing the website is what makes IS unique.
- 5) Donate Your donations to the PTSA allows us to invest, approximately \$100,000 a year toward the school's mission of academic excellence through a broad spectrum of curriculum extension grants, programs, clubs, and community building.

School News

Hosts Needed for our French Exchange!

For over 20 years International School has fostered an exchange and created friendships with our sister school in Nantes, France. This year, we are in need of 9 homes to welcome and host our French friends. Hosting is an awesome opportunity to get to know more about another

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ATTENDANCE 425-456-6545
MAIN OFFICE 425-456-6500
COUNSELING 425-456-6542
REGISTRAR 425-456-6535

IS School Website, Calendar & Titan Times

IS Teacher Websites
Parent Internet Viewer (PIV)
Bellevue School District Website
Bellevue Schools Foundation Website

Supporting PTSA

You can donate at any time by simply writing your check to the International School PTSA and sending it to school: 445 128th Ave. SE, Bellevue, WA 98005

Or even easier - just donate via PayPal!

Will your employer match your IS contributions?



International School Store

culture and language, as well as get to know other IS families. Your student can be in any grade and you can split the exchange with another family from IS.

Dates:

Part 1 - November 30-December 7

Part 2 - December 12-17

Responsibilities include:

Meals

Transportation to and from school

Weekend activities with other families or just yours!

Must provide an actual bedroom, can be shared with a student of the same gender

Hosting is a way of fostering friendships and community - which is what IS is all about! Please email Grace Caudillo at caudillog@bsd405.org

Merci!

Poinsettias for Sale - Order Now!

Please support the class of 2016 and their graduation events by purchasing poinsettia plants in red, white or shades of pink. These are Beautiful, large nursery quality in a 6.5" pot with foil wrap for only \$15.

Deadline for orders: Friday, Nov. 6th, 2015

Plants will be available to be picked up at school Monday, Nov. 30th from 2:30 - 4:30 pm

Please use the following link to obtain the Order

Poinsettia Order Form 2016

Please make checks payable to IS class of 2016 and note "Poinsettia" on memo line. You can send the check to the address on the order form or drop by the IS office and drop the check into the Poinsettia Box. If you prefer to support the class with a cash donation in lieu of receiving plants, your donations are welcome.

Please contact Darlene Daum Papano at ${\tt papanofamily@gmail.com}$ with any questions.

Ask your friends, relatives, neighbors and business owners!! All proceeds go to offset expenses for graduation events. Thanks for supporting the Class of 2016!

6th Grade ASB Interest Meetings

Does your 6th grader...

have great leadership skills? enjoy planning activities and events? want to represent the interests and goals of the 6th grade class?

Then International's Associated Student Body (ASB) is the way to go!

ASB will be holding 2 interest meetings for 6th graders seeking more information on what ASB does, how to run for office and answer general questions.

Date: Tuesday, 6 October at lunch (grab your food first!) Location: Orchestra Room



Show your school spirit! Shop for sweatshirts, t-shirts, duffel bags and more! Visit the International School Fieldhouse store. Proceeds benefit the International School ASB.



Contact Us:

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Monday Messenger: Stephanie Winkler-Hadley

E-Mail: news@isptsa.org

PTSA Website: www.isptsa.org

Newsletter

Submissions: news@isptsa.org

Date: Thursday, 8 October at 3:10 (following tutorial)

Location: Orchestra Room

Any students who have questions should see Carol Anne in the front office or email her at yamamotoca@bsd405.org

Attention Junior Families: October's Staff Appreciation Luncheon is Coming Up!

The first staff appreciation luncheon is October 14th and will be hosted by the fabulous families of the Junior Class of 2017. The theme for the luncheon is "Soup and Salad" and we welcome all your delicious family or store bought favorites! Let's show our Appreciation to the staff and start this year with a bang. Below is a link to a list of food/items/help needed. Please sign up to bring something or help! Every little bit helps.

Sign up here

Food portions should serve between 10 and 12. Please have your contributions delivered to the Staff Room by 12:15 on October 14th. If possible, please bring warm soups in crock pots. Please bring other food in/on disposable containers or plates if possible (or label with your name).

Thank you so much for your support. The staff is so appreciative of the luncheons and your involvement is so important to making this event a huge success. Any questions please contact Lily at Liyingtan@hotmail.com or Mary Ellen at mmnick5@aol.com.

If you would like more information or are able to attend these events as a chaperone, please e-mail Merrill Anderson at tuckerm@bsd405.org. Your time is immensely appreciated! Without enough chaperones, we will not be able to attend these events.

Random Act of Fun!

Ask your student(s) about the Random Act of Fun on Friday morning! Our band walked through the hallways playing Crazy Train by Ozzy Osbourne just prior to the end of a class period. Thanks to our great Band Director Andy Rubesch for this fun infusion and for directing a great walking performance!

2015-2016 Reflections Program Seeking Parent Volunteers

We are getting ready to ramp up the Reflections Arts Program again this year, and are in need of some parent volunteers to help. Roles include promotion, communication, etc. Please let us know if you're interested in helping! This year's theme is, "Let Your Imagination Fly"

Contact Reflections Chair, Josephine Liu Anderson, at liudesign@aol.com, 425-753-3134 for more info.

Board and Ski with Bellevue Ski School in 2015-16!

Join the Saturday Bellevue Ski School Program. Give your student (2nd thru 12th grade) 6 and/or 8 Week Sessions, 8 hours on the mountain, with the best trained and dedicated staff. Transportation provided by BSD and Coach Buses. BSD reps on hill each Saturday. Sign up before Dec 15.

Affiliated with the Bellevue School District since 1958. Visit the web site for more information at www.bellevueskischool.com or email: info@BellevueSkiSchool.com.

Attention all Junior Statesmen of America!

Fall State is coming: November 14-15.

Forms & payment are due by September 29th for a reduced rate - cost increases September 30th. Final forms & payments are due by October 8th.

Forms can be found here.

Contact tuckerm@bsd405.org with any questions.

Not in JSA and in grades 9-12? Join us! Pay \$10 to the cashier (increases to \$15 in October) and register at http://www.jsa.org/myjsa then come to our weekly meetings Thursdays @ lunch in 302.

Parents - want to come see what JSA is all about? We need chaperones! Contact tuckerm@bsd405.org

Junior Statesmen of America Needs Parents!

JSA is in serious need for chaperones for events throughout the year. These range from one-day to overnight conventions.

For any overnight convention, your room & board would be covered - your only cost would be meals.

If you are VIBES certified, that is excellent! If you are not, we will get you VIBES certified.

Currently, the following events need chaperones:

- October 31st, 2015 @ IS from 10am 4pm
- **November 14-15th, 2015** (overnight in Seattle) from 10am Saturday to 3pm Sunday
- **February 5th-7th, 2016** (two nights in Portland) from 3pm Friday to 6pm Sunday (yes that is the Super Bowl)
- April 23rd-24th, 2016 (overnight in Tukwila) from 10am Saturday to 3pm Sunday

Ideally for the overnights, a couple could volunteer to chaperone (male and female) and share a hotel room. Male and female chaperones are needed for each event so that we can enter all student rooms following appropriate protocol.

If you would like more information or are able to attend these events as a chaperone, please e-mail Merrill Anderson at tuckerm@bsd405.org. Your time is immensely appreciated! Without enough chaperones, we will not be able to attend these events.

Wrestling Clinic: October 11th

We will be teaching and focusing on the basics of wrestling. The clinic will be instructed by Ian Olsen, the coach of the Youth Wolverine Wrestling Club. Wrestlers from the Bellevue High School varsity team will assist Coach Olsen in the instruction of the youth wrestlers.

Please register online the Bellevue Boys and Girls Club registration site: https://apm.activecommunities.com/bgcbellevue/Activity Search? txtActivitySearch=wolverine&applyFiltersDefaultValue=true

Help Make Bellevue's Street Safe for Everyone

Are there streets in Bellevue without adequate sidewalks or bicycle facilities? Does the behavior of people walking, bicycling, or driving in certain locations feel unsafe?

The City of Bellevue invites you to use the Pedestrian & Bicycle Implementation Initiative (PBII) wikimap to identify locations where you have noticed conditions or behaviors that are unsafe for people walking and bicycling.

To participate, submit your recommendations to <u>Wikimapping</u> (submission deadline October 31).

For more information, contact Franz Loewenherz, Senior Transportation Planner <u>floewenherz@bellevuewa.gov</u> | (425)452-4077.

TechSmart Kids- Fall After School Coding Classes

TechSmartKids, a leading provider of computer science education for K-12 is offering afterschool computer coding classes this fall at Bellevue High School. Coding classes are available as fall session only or full year. Coding classes begin the week of October 5th. TechSmartKids has a partnership with Bellevue Public Schools.

Enrollment Options:

Enroll Online: http://www.techsmartkids.com

Enroll by phone: (425) 786-7824

Fall After School Coding Classes:

Grades 6-8

C301- Coding in Python I

Hosted at Chinook Middle School

http://www.techsmartkids.com/CodingCourses/c301?loc=b cms

The C301 class meets once a week for 1.5 hours at one the following times:

- * Wednesday 1:30-3:00pm -or-
- * Thursday 3:15- 4:45pm -or-
- * Thursday 4:45 6:15pm

Grades 7-8

C401- Coding in Java I

Hosted at Bellevue High School http://www.techsmartkids.com/CodingCourses/c401? loc=b bhs

The C401 class meets once a week for 1.5 hours at one the following times:

- * Tuesday 5:30-7:00pm -or-
- * Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm

Grades 9-12

C401- Coding in Java I

Hosted at Bellevue High School http://www.techsmartkids.com/CodingCourses/c401? loc=b bhs

The C401 class meets once a week for 1.5 hours at one the following times:

- * Tuesday 5:30-7:00pm -or-
- * Wednesday 5:30-7:00pm

Messenger Submissions

Want to submit information to publish in the Messenger? Please submit your information by **FRIDAY.** (Submissions are subject to PTA approval). Plain text is preferred, although you are welcome to send along an image or icon to include. Need to link to a registration form? Send us the link to include or a pdf copy. Note: you will no longer receive an automatic confirmation response when submitting.

Questions or submissions should go to news@isptsa.org

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