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# PARENT NEWSLETTER

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# Gearing up for the 17 - 18 School Year!



**August 9** Student Schedule Pick-up, 7am - 7pm Location: Center for the Arts

August 9 Jacket Camp / Orientation for 9th Graders and New Students, 9am - 1pm Center for the Arts.

Students will be able to get their schedule and tour the School as well. Parent meeting at 12:30 - 1pm / CFA.

Lexington Richland School District Five's iFive initiative was developed with the goal of using technology to strengthen the growth of curriculum and competencies for work, citizenship and life-long learning for our students. In order to continue to support the goals of the iFive initiative, high school students will be given a Chromebook starting this school term. We will no longer use Ipads. Irmo High School teachers are committed to supporting the iFive initiative in their classes, and will be utilizing the Chromebooks in many aspects of teaching and learning. To provide the best academic opportunities for our students and ensure their access to all materials and instruction provided by the teachers, ALL Irmo High School students will be provided with a Chromebook, which they can receive at schedule pickup on August 9. It is an expectation that students bring their chromebook to school each day, charged and ready to use in classes. We look forward to helping our students learn to use the Chromebooks to their fullest potential in creating, communicating, collaborating, and critical thinking throughout the school year!



David Riegel, Principal of Irmo High School

# Note from the Principal

To promote communication between school and home, my office sends out a weekly parent email on Fridays. The email will include weekly events, special recognition, and news around school. We hope you will find this information useful. As always, you can email me directly with any questions or concerns <a href="mailto:driegel@lexrich5.org">driegel@lexrich5.org</a>.



#### Monday, August 7, Board Meeting, 7pm@The Center

Wednesday, August 9: Schedule pick-up, 7am - 7pm; Freshmen & new students orientation, 9am - 1pm / Center for the Arts

Week of August 14: Regular school operating hours resume (8am - 4pm, Monday - Friday)

Wednesday, August 16: First day for teachers

Thursday, August 17: Teacher work day

Friday, August 18: Stingfest, 5pm (front parking lots); Varsity Football vs Nation Ford @Home/Helmet

Night, 7:30pm

**Saturday, August 19**: Irmo Farmers Market Collaborative/w IHS in student parking lot / Fresh vegetables, food vendors, etc. A portion of the proceeds go to IHS arts program.

Monday, August 21, Solar Eclipse / Don't forget to wear your solar eclipse glasses for eye protection

Wednesday, August 23, A Day (No Delayed Day/Regular Schedule 8:10am): First day for students;

Morning CATE Students Do not go to the Center

Thursday, August 24, B Day: JV & Varsity Volleyball vs Fairfield Central @ Home, 5:30pm

Friday, August 25, A Day: Varsity Football vs J.L. Mann @ Away, 7:30pm

#### Important Health Room News!

Immunization Requirements for this school year 2017/2018 are posted on the DHEC website:

http://scdehec.gov/health/disease/immunization

Note: \*11th grade has been added to the requirement for (1) Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) booster. Tdap is routinely administered at 11-12 years of age; however, a dose administered on or after the seventh birthday will meet this requirement.



#### **Senior Pictures**

July 27, 9am - 4pm, Legacy Studios in the Irmo High School Media Center You must click on the provided link to schedule your sitting time!

Click here to schedule your senior portrait sitting

Legacy Studios 1-800-348- 4360

## **Outstanding Books!!!**

Parents please check for school books that your student should have returned. It is imperative that we receive the books. Unfortunately, books not returned will remain on your student's school record and may affect your student's senior year. Thank you for your help!!

#### Residence Verification Process for 17-18 School Year

Proof of residency is an annual requirement for all students in Lexington Richland Five School District. Irmo High School proof of residence is required prior to schedule pick-up, August 9.

Acceptable Documentation for Address Verification Parent or Legal Guardian:

THREE (3) Proofs of Residency are required in order for your child to attend Lexington/Richland School District Five. Proof of residency will be done yearly for all students. All documentation presented must show THE CURRENT MONTH'S DATE and The PROPERTY OWNER'S NAME OR the PARENT/GUARDIAN'S NAME.

#### Acceptable documentation include:

(one of these required)

- 1. Property Tax Bill for the permanent residence
- 2. Rental Lease (complete copy, listing all occupants) Real Estate Closing Documents (where applicable)

#### Additional documents include:

(two of these required)

- 1. Vehicle Tax Registration
- 2. Voter Registration Card
- 3. Electric Bill Water Bill
- 4. Telephone Bill Cable/Satellite Bill

A driver's license will be required from the property owner and parent or legal guardian for identification purposes only. IDs cannot be accepted as documentation for address verification.

#### FAMILIES THAT HAVE RECENTLY MOVED:

- 1. If you have recently moved and are unable to provide the two additional required documents listed above, you must, to a minimum provide a Rental Lease or Real Estate Closing Document.
- 2. You will then be given 45 days from enrollment to provide the remaining documents as required. If the family has resided in the home for more than 45 days, proof should be provided immediately.

#### AFFIDAVITS ARE FOR FAMILIES LIVING WITH ANOTHER FAMILY:

- 1. The person that owns or rents the property in which you are residing must complete a Residency Affidavit Form (which LRSD5 will provide) notarized, attesting to the fact that you and your family are currently residing with the legal resident. The person that owns or rents the property must provide THREE acceptable pieces of documentation from the above list, which verifies their connection to THE PROPERTY.
- 2. You, as the parent or legal guardian, must also get a Residency Affidavit Form (which LRSD5 will provide) notarized, attesting to the fact that all current documentation for address verification presented is true and accurate. Within 45 days of enrollment, you, as the parent or legal guardian, will be required to provide two documents of mail in your name that show the address of the person with whom your family resides. Junk mail is not acceptable. Acceptable documents are: 1) paycheck stub 2) W-2 statement 3) car insurance 4) bank statement 5) state supported services 6) voters registration card 7) vehicle tax registration.

Parents/Guardians please complete your proof of residence prior to schedule pickup, August 9.

# Irmo High 2017 - 2018 School Registration

Parents please go to the below site to register your child for school prior to schedule pick-up (August 9). You will find this information on the Irmo High School website.



Click here for Returning Student Re-Enrollment for the 2017-2018 School Year!

Account sign-in information was emailed to parents, if you are unable to locate your information, please contact your child's school

**Click here for NEW STUDENT Registration** 

Please note Registration Gateway is not used to apply for School of CHOICE. To fill out a CHOICE Application click here!

# **Important Back To School TIP!!**

Parents our goal is for you to have a positive experience during schedule pick-up. If you follow the procedures for registering and providing your proofs of residence <u>prior to</u> the schedule pick up date of <u>August 9</u>, the entire process will go smoother and require less of your time. Thank you for your diligence in this process!

Please contact the Main Office (476-3001) or School Counseling Office (476-3005) should you have any questions.

# **Student Parking Information**

Go to IHS website: Click on the *Resources* tab then *Parking@IHS* ( <u>PARKING</u> <u>APPLICATION</u> ). Students must complete Alive@25. Parking passes may be picked up during schedule pick-up on August 9, provided the student has met requirements.



# Literacy Spotlight#10: Summer Reading

#### Reading Standard

Reading Standard 13: Read independently and comprehend a variety of texts for the purposes of reading for enjoyment, acquiring new learning, and building stamina; reflect on and respond to increasingly complex text over time.

"Research tells us that children and teens who don't read and write outside of school, especially during long breaks such as summer vacation, face a big loss in their literacy growth compared to those who do continue learning all year long. This means the summer months and other breaks from school offer wonderful opportunities for families, caregivers, and out-of-school educators to help improve reading and writing." -National Council of Teachers of English.

In this short video clip, research is presented explaining the importance of reading year long with children to increase vocabulary skills and reading comprehension.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ahhj3wxxkdM

In addition, this short video clip presents ways to prevent the "Summer Slide" which is explained as how most students fall behind in school after taking two months off for summer break. The video also includes tips for parents to encourage reading during the summer.

http://www.cbsnews.com/news/preventing-the-summer-slide/

#### Activities/Resources

- 1. Concise flyer emphasizing the importance of reading year long. <a href="http://www.readwritethink.org/files/callouts/year-long-flyer-2.pdf">http://www.readwritethink.org/files/callouts/year-long-flyer-2.pdf</a>
- 2. Websites to help find age-appropriate books by grade, lexile level, or genre:
  - South Carolina School of Librarians <a href="http://www.scasl.net/book-awards">http://www.scasl.net/book-awards</a>
  - Junior Book Award Nominess and Materials http://www.scasl.net/junior-book-award
  - Scholastic Book Wizard <a href="http://www.scholastic.com/bookwizard/book-lists">http://www.scholastic.com/bookwizard/book-lists</a>
  - Barnes & Noble Subject List http://www.barnesandnoble.com/subjects/subjects.asp
  - Richland County Public Library <a href="http://www.richlandlibrary.com/">http://www.richlandlibrary.com/</a>
  - Lexington County Public Library http://www.lex.lib.sc.us/

# **Irmo High School Parent Advisory**

I am excited about continuing our Parent Advisory for a third year at Irmo High School. This group of parents will provide feedback, share ideas, and celebrate school & student successes. We have a tradition of excellence that continues to set the bar for us. As a result, we must continue to be our best and prepare for the best future for our students. It is important that we involve our key stakeholders, you the parents as we move forward.

The Parent Advisory will meet several times during the school year. The meetings will be held at 9am – 10am. If you are interested in being involved or wish to continue your involvement please notify my secretary, <u>Marilyn Johnson</u>, at 476-3011 or email: <u>mljohnso@lexrich5.org</u>

Thank you for your commitment to your child's education and support of Irmo High School! Should you have any questions, please contact me at 476-3000.

Principal, Dave Riegel

# 2017 - 2018 Parent Advisory Meeting Dates:

September 15 October 13 November 10 January 19 March 16 May 4

\*\*(meetings begin at 9am - 10am, IHS Room 104)

Congratulations, Irmo High Senior Sean Nguyen!



Sean Nguyen was named the State's Boys Tennis Player of the Year.





Kodii won a cosmetology kit worth \$500.00 from Great Clips based on her essay about a career in cosmetology.

### School District Five of Lexington and Richland Counties 2017 High School Summer Program APEX (ON-LINE)

**Location:** Chapin High School (Chapin and Spring Hill High School students)

Irmo High School (Dutch Fork and Irmo High School students)

Dates: (Monday thru Thursday) Final Week: July 17 - 20

Graduation: Thursday, July 20<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 p.m. Place: Irmo High School Auditorium

**Sessions Offered:** 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. 12:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

**Guidance Offices:** Chapin 803.575.5405 <u>Dutch Fork</u> 803.476.3300 <u>Irmo</u> 803.476.3005

Summer School Directors Mr. Robert Stogner 803.575.5415

Mr. Floyd White 803.476.3001

# 2017 - 2018 High School "No Delayed Start Days"

Wednesday, August 23, 2017 First Day for Students / Report to School 8:10am

Wednesday, October 11 Wednesday, December 13

Wednesday, January 17, **2018**Wednesday, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30

Wednesday, June 6

# **School Pictures**

October 4, Underclassman Pictures / Small Gym 8:30am - 3:30pm October 30, Make-up Pictures / Small Gym 8:30am - 3:30pm January 23, 2018, Senior Panoramic Picture / Big Gym (TBA)