

ODDS AND ENDS TO CLOSE LAST YEAR

- There are still a number of missing Chromebooks and chargers that need to be turned in to the Media Center. A charge was added to your tuition account if your child has a Chromebook and/or charger that needs to be returned.
- Class of 2024 As of August 1, your Illiana email/Google accounts will be inactivated and deleted including documents in your Google drive. Please download anything you want to save to your personal Google account BEFORE July 26, 2024.

CALENDAR NOTES

July 8-26 – Viking Academy July 9 & Aug 6 - NWEA Map Testing July 16 – Computer Skills Test August 1 - FUSION August 12 – New Viking Night August 13 – New Student Orientation 1:30 dismissal (required day for all Freshmen and Transfer Students) August 14 – First day of school for all students August 15 & 16 – Auditions for fall play, Our Town August 17 – Challenged to Move August 20– Senior Pictures August 21 – Underclassmen Pictures August 22 - All Music Parent Meeting August 26 - Phase 2 Dedication August 29 – Back to School Night (parents only) September 2 – Labor Day/No School September 16 – Golf Outing September 20 - Mum Sale

SUMMER OFFICE HOURS: The office will be open from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

DIPLOMAS: Packets for the graduates are available to be picked up in the office. These packets contain their signed diploma and an unofficial copy of their transcript.

2024-2025 CLASS SCHEDULES: Copies of schedules are available to view via your Family Portal. If you have questions regarding your student's schedule, please contact their counselor. Students whose last names begin with A – K should contact Mrs. Benes at <u>mbenes@illianachristian.org</u>. Students whose last names begin with L – Z should contact Mr. Zandstra at <u>nzandstra@illianachristian.org</u>.

HEALTH RECORDS:

- The Indiana State Department of Health requires that all incoming SENIORS receive a 2nd MCV4 (Meningococcal) vaccine. Please mail, email or drop off an updated immunization record BEFORE school starts in August. You may email records to <u>shoffman@illianachristian.org</u>.
- Any family that has filled out a Religious Objection <u>Form</u> for vaccinations must complete a new form EVERY YEAR. Please send an updated form, for the 2024 -2025 school year, to the office before the school year starts. You may email updated forms to <u>shoffman@illianachristian.org</u>, or bring them to the office.
- **REQUIRED FRESHMEN DOCUMENTS:** All freshmen are required by Indiana law to submit an UPDATED immunization record and birth certificate or other proof of age before school starts. Scans and photocopies are acceptable (please do not send photos taken with your phone).

NWEA MAP TEST: Incoming students to Illiana for the 2024 - 2025 school year will need to take the NWEA Map test. This is required of students who do not have NWEA test scores. If your student attended Crown Point Christian, Highland Christian, or Lansing Christian, they will have test scores that have been sent to Illiana. If your student took the NWEA Map test at their previous school, we will accept those scores. To sign up for the test or for more information use the online form linked <u>here.</u> Contact Mrs. Heidi Teach for questions at hteach@illianachristian.org

VIKING ACADEMY: Illiana is once again offering Viking Academy, a summer camp program for elementary and middle school students. We will offer various academic and athletic camps for three weeks in July. Camps include but are not limited to the following: Cooking/Baking, Painting, Basketball, Volleyball,Mad Scientist, Cheerleading and more! To register please visit <u>https://www.illianachristian.org/life-ichs/viking-academy/</u> Questions? Contact <u>vikingacademy@illianachristian.org</u>

PARKING FOR 2024-2025: For identification purposes, all student drivers must display a parking tag in their car. Please fill in the form before August 4. Paper forms will be available in the office after that date. The \$20 fee will be billed with tuition. Please carefully read, complete and submit the <u>form</u>. The parking tags will be distributed in homeroom on the first day of school.

FUSION: Please join us August 1st at Faith Church in Dyer where FUSION (the collaboration between Illiana Christian, Highland Christian, Lansing Chrisitan, Crown Point Christian and Calvin Christian) hosts Matt Maher! This event benefits all 5 schools and ensures that Christian Education in the NWI and Illinois areas is around for generations to come. Tickets are on sale now! Please visit <u>https://www.eventbrite.com/e/matt-maher-tickets-774560510337?aff=ebdsoporgprofile</u> for tickets! If you have any questions, please contact Cassie Siersema at <u>csiersema@illianachristian.org</u> or 219-558-7066 x 122

FINAL TRANSCRIPTS FOR GRADUATES: For graduates continuing their education via college, you will need to send your final transcript to the college you decided to attend. **This is YOUR responsibility, not Illiana's, and you can take care of it by ordering your transcript through Parchment <u>here</u>.** If you have not yet set up your Parchment account or you need assistance, please contact David Boer, <u>dboer@illianachristian.org</u>.

FALL PLAY AUDITIONS 2024: This year's play is Thorton Wilder's *Our Town*. Students who wish to audition will find information and material they can review in preparation on the school website under the Drama tab. The audition material will be available by July 15. Auditions will be after school on August 15 and 16 (students need to attend only one of those days). Questions? Please contact Jeff DeVries at jdevries@illianachristian.org.

CHALLENGED TO MOVE 2024: Whether you pickleball, throw a disc or ride a bike, we want to see you out here at ICHS for a day of obscure sports and a day to celebrate our ability to MOVE. On Saturday August 17th we are hosting a bike ride, a disc golf tournament and a doubles pickleball tournament and we want YOU to join us as we are challenged to MOVE and to start off the new school year right!

To register please click on the links below. The timing of these events will prevent you from participating in more than one event, so pick your favorite and we will see you on August 17th! For more details and information, please click on the registration links or reach out to Cassie Siersema at csiersema@illianachristian.org or 219-558-7066x 122 Illiana Christian High School Challenged to MOVE-Bike Ride:

https://form.jotform.com/241624616164151

Illiana Christian High School Challenged to MOVE-Disc Golf Tournament: <u>https://www.discgolfscene.com/tournaments/Illiana_Fundraiser_Doubles_Tournament_2024</u> Illiana Christian High School Challenged to MOVE-Doubles Pickleball Tournament: <u>https://form.jotform.com/241625557073155</u>

FALL 2024 WASHINGTON D.C. SENIOR CLASS TRIP: On May 14, juniors received information regarding their class trip. The dates for the trip will be October 22 - 26, 2024. The \$925 and the forms (that students will receive in homeroom the week of August 26) are due September 10, in full. Money and the forms can be given to their homeroom teacher beginning September 3. More information will be shared as it becomes available.

SENIOR PICTURES: Class of 2025 should note that senior pictures will be taken August 20. Contact HR Imaging at 815-433-1766 if you have any questions. Retakes will be October 3. Please note: while the purchase of a photo package is not necessary, ALL seniors must be photographed by HR Imaging in order to appear in the 2025 *Spire* (yearbook).

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS: Illiana Christian High School is seeking to expand its on-call substitute teacher list. Interested applicants should be professing Christians, have an active membership in a local Christian church, be able to manage a classroom, and pass a criminal background check. Demonstrated success as a classroom teacher is a plus, but not required. For more information or to apply, contact Julie Tambrini at <u>jtambrini@illianachristian.org</u> or 219-558-7066, ext. 150.

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION: First day for transfer students and freshmen will take place on Tuesday, August 13, 7:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Students will meet with their SHIELD group leader in the Commons when they arrive. They will receive a copy of their schedule, their textbooks, and their Chromebook, as well as run through their classes and meet each of their teachers. Buses will run on this day.

NEW VIKING NIGHT: We are inviting ALL new freshmen, transfer students, and their parents for a night of dinner and information! This night is for parents/guardians and students only. We are requesting no siblings attend. Please RSVP by August 2, 2024. <u>RSVP HERE</u>.

TRANSPORTATION

BUS SIGN UPS: The 2024 – 2025 bus registration <u>link is open</u> if your student will need bus transportation next school year, please take a moment to register them. There is transportation from South Holland, Lansing, and Highland. The bus registration fee for next year is \$250 and will be billed on your September incidentals statement. Contact Duane Kamstra with questions at 219-558-7066 x147 or <u>dkamstra@illianachristian.org</u>.

FROM THE TUITION OFFICE

- All balances from the 2023-24 school year should be paid in full at this point. This includes all incidental charges as well as tuition. Please keep in mind that your account MUST be paid in full before your student will be allowed to begin classes for the 2024-25 school year.
- If you have any questions regarding your account, please contact Kathy West at <u>kwest@illianachristian.org</u> or 219-558-7066 x111.

2024 – 2025 TUITION:

- The 2024-2025 tuition rate is \$12,815.00. A \$100 enrollment fee credit will be reflected on your account at the beginning of the year.
- The first tuition payments will process in August 2024 and payments will continue to process through June 2025. Payments will be automatically withdrawn according to the payment schedule you have previously set up in FACTS.

<u>P.I.E.</u>

- We offer **daily lunches**, one selection each day. Everything is pre-ordered and prepaid. Every month we "open" the lunch ordering from the 1st-10th. You will receive instructions on August 1; it's very quick and easy to do. This first order will be for August and September- you won't want to miss ordering!
- You will receive a **very important email** all about PIE on July 29. This will explain what PIE is and does. This email will also include opportunities to volunteer for lunches, dinners, and kitchen cleanings to work off your \$250 PIE fee, which will be assessed each year in May.
- **SCRIP:** Scrip tuition credit will be paid out at the end of July. It will be posted on your August statement. You may also order from the SCRIP store during the summer months.

ATHLETIC NEWS

TRYOUTS:

- Boys and Girls Soccer August 5, 6 & 7. Girls: 6-8 p.m. Boys: 5-7 p.m.
- Girls Volleyball August 5, 6 & 7. Grade 9, 3-5 p.m. Grades 10, 11 & 12, 6-8 p.m.
- Boys Tennis August 5, 6 & 7 from 7:00 9:00 a.m.
- Girls Golf August 2 at 9:00 a.m. at Palmira Golf Club .
- **Cross Country** will begin practicing on August 5.

SPORTS PHYSICALS: All students participating in sports must register on <u>Final Forms</u>. All athletes must be registered BEFORE tryouts begin. If you have questions, contact Bonnie Trepton at 219-558-7066 ext. 124, or <u>btrepton@illianachristian.org</u>.

• All athletes must turn in a valid IHSAA Pre-Participation physical and consent form completed and signed after April 1, 2024 to be eligible for tryouts and to compete during the 2024-25 athletic season. The physical form is available <u>here</u> and on the website.

MARKETING NEWS:

• Come out and support Illiana at the Cedar Lake Summerfest Parade on Saturday, July 6th. The parade begins at 10a. Illiana will have a decorated mini-bus and students marching in the parade passing out candy and other goodies!

JOB OPPORTUNITY:

• We are looking for an evening custodian to begin in August. See the school website for details.