

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted."

- Aesop

CLASS OF 2019:

- ENGLISH: IOCs involve students analyzing a poem and discussing a text with me. These are audio recordings that are submitted to IB.
- TOK: Presentations are given this month. Students must discuss understanding a real life issue.

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THE LIGHTNING BOLT



Our senior IB students were involved in painting a holiday display at Laurel Park Mall. The theme was "What do the holidays mean to me?" Students painted for one day before Thanksgiving.

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Demonstrate Kindness In Everything That You Do!

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It shows up in the tentative smile across the classroom, the extra second to help someone with the item they dropped, or in the few minutes to help explain a concept in a class that may seem out of reach at the moment. The IB Learner Profile dedicates one of the main pieces to the idea of being caring because it is so essential to all that we do.

The seniors are wrapping up many of their assessments other than exams over the next month or two. They are plodding right along! They have their Comparative Study for Visual Arts, their TOK essay, and a final draft of their EE due in January. They have had plenty of class time to work on this, but in typical teenage form, they might need to work on these over the break. Our goal is to not have much assigned, but they will have those items to polish.

Our juniors developed a set of class norms in order to promote their caring for each other. They were struggling with the concepts of having to tear others down to promote themselves. IB doesn't work that way. By working together, we can all succeed at FHS and in our future. Sometimes we forget this when everything seems so competitive. The list that they crafted for their norms is in the right side panel. These are just behaviors that they would all like to aspire to have in their

classrooms and other interactions with people.

Our IB cohorts have adopted a 10 year old boy to help provide a few gifts for the holiday season. Donations of new toys, crafts, etc. are desperately needed. Any items are due by December 10. Sizes and interests are in the box on the right. Thanks for any help that you are able to offer.

Finally, our IB students will be attending a field trip to the Detroit Institute of Arts on Friday, January 18. The permission slip will come home right after break. There is no cost for this except for lunch (students can also bring a bagged lunch). Our juniors will need to start finding a favorite movement, artist, or piece that they would like to study. Our seniors will use it for their last final push of inspiration before their final art pieces are due.

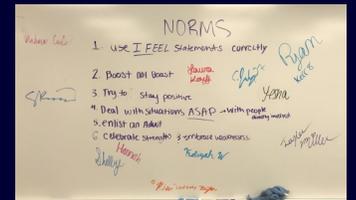
No matter where or when it presents itself, our IB students are asked to show their caring for others, for themselves, and for the world in all of their courses. This season should be about showing our caring for others in more overt ways than normal! Let's challenge ourselves and each other to display our caring nature!

CLASS OF 2020:

- Our IB juniors met with Mrs. Ingram and myself to discuss group norms. These are now posted in each classroom. Students are expected to adhere to these behaviors.
- Our teachers should be discussing SAT prep with your students. Please be sure to have them working a little bit on this each week so that they are ready for this test in April.

IB Giving for a Child

This year, we have received a little boy. He is 10 years old. He likes Legos, Teen Titans, Batman, and pizza! He wears a youth small/medium shirt, 8/10 pants, and size 5 shoe. We'd love to show him the IB generosity that I know that you have. Donations due by **Dec. 10.**



IB Class of 2020 Norms

1. Use I Feel statements correctly and appropriately.
2. Boost, NOT Boast.
3. Try to stay POSITIVE.
4. Deal with situations ASAP (with the involved people).
5. Enlist an adult, when necessary.
6. Celebrate strengths and embrace weakness.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Dec. 4-6 English IOCs conducted
- Dec. 10-14 TOK Presentations Performed
- Dec. 14 Progress Reporting period ends
- Dec. 21 Last day before break
- Jan. 7 First day back after break
- Jan. 18 DIA field trip
- Jan. 22-24 Final Exams
Seniors: TOK essay, VA Comparative Study, and Eng. IA due