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HOLIDAY CHEER

MIDDLE SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Hello IBMS families! I want to thank all the parents and students for their continued support of the IB Christmas Hope Community Basket program. It is great seeing our community supporting so many local families in need!

With the winter season upon us, I want to stress the importance of staying healthy. I look forward to seeing everybody at school so they can showcase their abilities and enjoy the holiday season! We have so many activities that go on during this time of year; I want to ensure we have as many students present to showcase their talents as possible. Feel free to contact us if your student needs the proper clothing for the holiday season.

Thank you again for everything you do for our students! Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have. I can be reached by email and phone number at the top of the page.

- Mr. Jeremy Ball, IBMS Principal

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

- December 1st 11:40 Dismissal.
- December 4th MS Wrestling practice begins.
- December 12th MS Winter Concert @ HS Gym.
- December 21st 2:15 dismissal
- December 22nd January 3rd:
 Winter Break
- January 4th School Resumes
- January 12th 1st-semester report card available on teacherease.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

Please join me in congratulating our Students of the Month. Teachers nominate students for outstanding character, responsibility, respect, honesty, and hard work. The winners for October are.

6th Grade - Adailia Bleichner & Paul Munday

7th Grade - Lennix Nolte & Whitney Palker

8th Grade - Maddi Stevens & Peyton Walker







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REPORT CARD REMINDER

This is a reminder that IBMS students will receive a report card via Teacherease on January 12th. The reason is that IBMS hands out semester-long reports. Parents who wish to have a paper copy of the report card must contact the middle school office. Thank you!





WINTER ACTIVITIES

December will feature our Middle School Winter Concert. The Concert will begin at 7:00 PM in the High School Gym with both band and chorus performing.

Middle school wrestling, dance, cheer, boys' basketball, and volleyball are off to the races! Check out our activities page to stay updated on our events! <u>IB</u> Activities Link



CHANGES TO DRINKWARE POLICY

Starting January 4th, all tumblers (with or without straws) will be prohibited for all IBMS students. Due to excessive spills from tumblers in the hallway and classrooms, students must use water bottles during the school day. A student who brings a tumbler with them to school must keep it in their locker until the end of the day.

They can use it for extra-curricular activities with coaches' permission.

QR CODE TO 6TH GRADE INFORMATION

Attention 6th parents, below is the QR code to access daily assignments and upcoming summative assessments, retakes & events.





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SBG SPOTLIGHT

This month's theme: How we use the L.I.P. (Learning Incentive Program) to support SBG at the Middle School.

<u> Why L.I.P.?</u>

- Goal
 - Our goal at IBMS is to have all students turn in formative assessments (learning assignments) on time to ensure teachers provide feedback to help our students learn and grow.

Rationale

 Feedback is vital to ensuring that every student at IBMS grows academically. For teachers to provide for students, students should turn in formative assignments promptly and on designated days. To help motivate our students, the IBMS staff has developed a Learning Incentive Program.

How it works

- At the end of each Quarter (9-week period), students will be given an incentive (reward) for completing most of their formative assignments. Each time an assignment is not turned in on the designated day, the assignment will be marked "missing" in TeacherEase. The student can still turn in the assignment and have it counted for a grade, but it will be marked "late." Anything still marked "missing" after a summative assessment (end-of-unit test) will be marked as a "0" for no evidence of learning. Students are expected to complete all formative assignments before the summative assessment.
- Not only academics but behavior and attendance will also play a role. Any student who receives a suspension will be disqualified. A student must stay within a certain number of detentions each quarter. Students who exceed the designated number do not earn the quarter L.I.P. incentive. The same goes for being Tardy to school or class. Each quarter, a student is allotted 10 Tardies. Students with over ten tardies in a quarter will not earn the L.I.P. incentive.