

THE WEEKLY WORD

Dec. 18, 2020

*Incarnate Word Academy will be closed
for Christmas Break
December 19, 2020 - January 3, 2021.
We wish all of you a
Joyful Holiday Season and Happy New Year!*

Celebrating Student Success



It's not often high school students present at national research conferences, but our Kate Sullivan '21 did. She's part of a program called GeoFORCE. [Learn more about it and Kate's research here.](#)

Important Dates

January 4, 2021

- Faculty in-service; no school

January 5 - 8, 2021

- Remote learning for all students

January 11, 2021

- Students return to campus

January 26, 2021

- PSAT for juniors and sophomore students

Financial Aid and Scholarship Deadline | Feb. 1

The Financial Aid Application deadline for returning students is approaching. [The application for financial aid is here](#). Please see the [IWA website](#) for additional details and contact [Bryan Gonzalez](#) with any questions.

Check Out Our Third Quarter Educational Guide



See what's in store for the third quarter and our return to campus on Jan. 11, 2021.

You can view the guide by [clicking here](#) or on the image above. It is also posted on our IWA website.

New Year, New Schedule

JANUARY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Red Day

White Day

Plaid Day

No School

January 4
Faculty/Staff in service

January 5 - 8
Remote learning week

January 7
Returning Graduates Panel
(Virtual)

January 11
Students return to campus

January 26
PSAT for 10th and 11th grades
9th and 12th grades:
remote learning

When we return to campus next month, our daily schedule will show some changes. You can see what January looks like above, and you can view our full spring semester and daily schedules by [clicking here](#). We recommend printing them out for easy reference. (NOTE: Days designated as a Plaid Schedule Day

will have their own special schedules. We will share these with families as they arise.)

Get Your Health Records Up to Date



If you were recently emailed concerning immunizations or other health records, kindly [submit the requested forms to Ms. West](#) at your earliest convenience.

It is very important that all student health files are updated and accurate. Thank you.

Lunch Services Reminder

The Simply Fresh Kitchen provides boxed lunches for IWA students who order them in advance.

[The menu selections](#) for January are currently online. Check out what's available. Orders can be placed directly with Simply Fresh, and [instructions for ordering](#) are on the IWA website.



Falcons on Stage



Falcon Theatre Presents "Tales of COVID Past" Virtual Performance

IWA's Falcon Theatre launches its 2020 - 2021 season with this original production of monologues, poetry and soliloquies, all written by IWA students. The show draws on the experiences of our student body, living through the pandemic.

[Click here](#) or on the photo above to watch the performance.

Save the Date:

Auditions for our student-directed show, "Steel Magnolias," will take place the week of Jan. 11, 2021. Details to come.

Radio Plays at St. Thomas High School

Catch some of our IWA actors on air with students from St. Thomas High School as part of STH's Radio Plays series. The productions are an homage to the kinds of programs that aired during the Golden Age of Radio in the 1930s and '40s. Tales of mystery and intrigue, they're sure to delight. [Listen here](#). Two shows remain.

Saturday, Dec. 19
"Poirot"

Saturday, Dec. 26
"Candy Mason"

"A Choral Rosary"

You can also still watch "A Choral Rosary," musical settings of the Ave Maria and The Lord's Prayer, performed by the Incarnate Word Academy Choir and the St. Thomas High School Singers. [View the presentation here](#).

And, check our social media channels next week for some special Christmas surprises from our choir!

Scenes from Wellness Week



It's been an unusual semester, for sure, for students and faculty alike! So, we hosted a week of wellness and spirit activities this week, designed to help bring students a little holiday cheer. From dressing in ugly Christmas sweaters and fun hats and socks, to lunch on the roof, and activities that included puzzles and dance and, of course, prayer, the week was a wonderful way to close out 2020!

Returning Graduates Panel | Jan. 7



Claire Fuller '19
University of Houston



Olivia Green '20
University of Texas at Austin



Madison Ripp '18
Loyola University, Maryland



Merriam Scaffide '20
Trinity University



Emma Wiederhoeft '17
University of Arkansas



Domanique Williams '17
University of Texas at Austin

We're so proud to welcome back these alumnae for our annual Returning Graduates Panel. They'll talk to current students about the transition to college life, how they chose their schools and majors, and more.

Here's how to join:

<https://zoom.us/j/98568252801?pwd=Z001RThpZVZIYkxLVkcxY3lBamJhdz09>

Meeting ID: 985 6825 2801

Passcode: 2kan9X

Our Students Encourage You to Give This Holiday Season



For many people, pets are part of the family. That feeling is what motivated half a dozen IWA students to create Leading with Service projects that would benefit animals in the Friends for Life shelter. [Learn more about their efforts and what you can do to help them here.](#)

Yearbook Ads on Sale Now!

Families who want to celebrate their IWA students with an ad in our 2021 yearbook, The Magril, can do so online. [Click on this link](#) and enter your daughter's name to begin crafting your ad. The prices are as follows:

Full Page
\$355

Half Page
\$205

Quarter Page
\$115

Eighth Page
\$65

IWA Snapshots



Our final retreat of the semester was for our sophomore class. The Junior Retreat, held Wednesday on campus, was a day of reflection, sisterhood and activities.

Don't Miss Out

Missed an issue of *The Weekly Word*? Catch up with our *Weekly Word* archive, [available here](#).

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