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The "Transitioner"

Indian Crest Pride/Souderton Strong

Welcome Class of 2028! -- *We're in this together*

Indian Crest is ready to welcome the class of 2028 to middle school! We are excited to meet the current 5th grade students who will be attending IC next year from our sending elementary schools: EMC, West Broad Street, and Franconia. The purpose of this newsletter is to share important information that will help students and parents prepare for middle school, as well as key dates about events coming up for current 5th grade students. This is the first of two newsletters that will be sent this spring. It is also important to note that important dates or changes in dates will be posted on the IC website.

Get Ready.....

Middle school is an exciting time in a young person's life. While it offers new

challenges it is sure to be a memorable time for meeting new friends and preparing academically for higher learning.

At Indian Crest we have two administrators: Mrs. McCoy and Mr. Miller.

As a 6th grade student you will be part of a team. The 6th grade teams are: Team Courage, Dynamic, Fearless, Integrity, and Resilience.

The subjects on team in 6th grade are: English Language Arts, Science, Social Studies, and Math.

At Indian Crest we also offer Related Arts which includes: Wellness, Family & Consumer Science, Technology Education, Library, Integrated Tech, Music, and Art.

We at Indian Crest are extremely proud of our ever-changing environ-

ment; we are looking forward to all of our students to experience our new uniquely designed learning spaces and our innovative maker space.

Indian Crest also offers programs and courses designed to meet the needs of all students. We provide numerous supports for our Gifted and Learning Support students.

Our goal remains to help all of our sixth grade students experience a positive transition from elementary school to middle school.

Remember:

Be Awesome, Be Kind
and Never Forget.....

Indian Crest Rocks!



What a crazy year we have had!

Often the most difficult situations are what make us grow the most! Fortunately, Souderton Area School District is filled with the most resilient kids ever!

Resilience

(n.) The ability to become strong, healthy, or successful again after something bad happens



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We cannot wait for you to meet your school counselors: Mr. Stanton and Mrs. Horton



Communication is Key!

Communication is key. As your child enters middle school there are several forms of communication we use in middle school.

School Website—Indian Crest website is a great tool for general information about the school as well as upcoming events.

Schoology/Team site—Each teacher/team has a schoology/website where the team teachers will post assignments, homework and announcements. Team pages may also have textbooks and resources to assist in your educational experience.

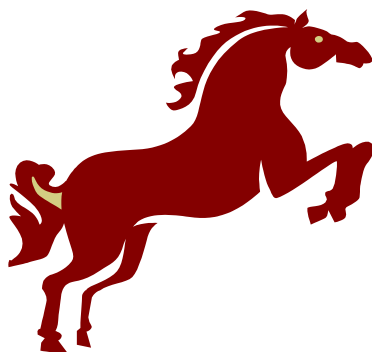
Home Access Center (HAC) - Parents and students have the ability to check the HAC. This is where you can stay up to date on your child's grades. Teachers update HAC weekly.

Parent Email—If you are not already signed up to receive parent emails from your child's school and the district, you can do so on your child's school website under parent resources.

"Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success."

Technology and Innovation!

Yes!!!! Each incoming student will be loaned a device to be used both in the classroom and at home. Through the use of Schoology and other awesome resources you will be joining our current Indian Crest students in a world of innovation and creativity.



Indian Crest

Advice from current 6th Grade Students...

Current 6th grade students offer the following advice for 5th graders who are preparing for middle school:

“Middle School is so great! No more walking in lines”

“Be nice to everyone”
“Have Fun!”

“Don’t worry about getting lost. There are plenty of helpful people, even 8th graders!”

“Food is better”

“Indian Crest teachers are really nice!”

“Organization = Success” When organized you have a better chance of doing well in your classes.”

“Ask for help!”

“Always come prepared with your binder and several pencils!”

“Do your homework!”

“Remember to wash your gym clothes!”
“Don’t worry about the lockers. They will be a piece of cake once you are here.”

“Use your time wisely. If a teacher gives you time to start on homework make sure you are working!”

“You will make a lot of new friends!”



“While we try to teach our children all about life, Our children teach us what life is all about.”

Lockers

Lockers will be one of the new tools for middle school students. Each student at Indian Crest is assigned their own locker. The locker should be used to store text books, notebooks, backpacks, lunch and outerwear.

Students should keep their locker combination private and not share with friends or

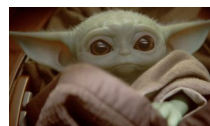
fellow students.

The first few weeks of school WEB (next page will explain) students will help sixth graders with opening their lockers. Teachers will also be helpful in assisting students in learning how to use their locker.

All lockers are a combination lock. Lockers are assigned

to each student in a close proximity to team classes.

Students will be able to come in to the building and practice opening their lockers once schedules are available on Home Access Center in early August 2021



How to be a Successful Middle School Student!

- * Plan on setting time aside **every night** to read, complete homework, and review notes from all classes.
- * Keep track of what is due! Use technology to help you!
- * Don’t ever be afraid to ask for help! Your teachers want to help you.
- * Keep yourself organized...designate a place for homework, class notes, and handouts
- * Be POSITIVE! A positive attitude will help you and those around you in creating an enjoyable learning environment for all
- Participate and get involved in class! The teacher wants to hear your thoughts and your classmates can learn by listening to you!

THE MORE THAT YOU
read
THE MORE THINGS YOU WILL
know
THE MORE THAT YOU
learn
THE MORE PLACES YOU’LL
go
DR. SEUSS

To help yourself, you must be yourself.....

“Start where you are.
Use what you have.
Do what you can.”

-Arthur Ashe

WEB-Where Everybody Belongs

WEB stands for Where Everybody Belongs. WEB is an 8th grade leadership group whose main goal is to assist in the transition to middle school. There are 45 8th Grade WEB leaders who will work with the incoming 6th grade students beginning at student orientation on Friday August . WEB groups will consist of 2 WEB leaders and 12-15 6th grade students. The WEB groups will meet throughout the 6th grade year to do fun activities, learn skills, discuss middle school, have lunch, and many more activities. The 8th grade WEB leaders attend intense leadership training in the summer so they are prepared to work with our new 6th grade.



WEB truly represents all that Crest stands for!!



Save the Date

Parent info night (posted)
4/21/21

Elementary School Visits
Week of 5/3/2021

6th Grade Orientation
8/27/2021

First day of school for all
8/31/2021

6th Grade Social—
TBD

Please check our website for
important dates!
[http://
indiancrest.soudertonsd.org](http://indiancrest.soudertonsd.org)

More to Know!

In a typical year, we host a 5th grade social for all incoming 6th graders. Due to all the restrictions we are sorry we could not do this for you. Indian Crest is a fantastic community, where we truly care for each other. Please do not hesitate to reach out to Mr. Miller, Mrs. McCoy, Mr. Stanton, or Mrs. Horton with any questions at all!

We truly understand how difficult the restrictions have been on all of our members at Indian Crest, but please know that we are here for you!

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Additional parent information will be sent electronically
Our summer building hours will be listed in the next “*Transitioner*.”



EVERY DAY IS A NEW
BEGINNING
Stay away from what might
have been and look at
WHAT CAN BE

