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Dear Students and Families,

As we move further into the school year, I want to take a moment to recognize the hard work, dedication, and commitment that each of you brings to our school community. Your energy and enthusiasm make our school a vibrant place of learning and growth. Furthermore, I want to express my appreciation for the commitment and positivity you share. You all make a meaningful difference here every day.

As we get closer to the holiday season, please take time to reflect, recharge, and celebrate with friends and loved ones. On behalf of our entire faculty and staff, I wish you continued success while you are here at IAA, as well as a safe, joyful, restful holiday season ahead.

Kind Regards,
Brad Schiffko, CEO





VISUAL ARTS LEVEL 3



At the start of the school year, our Level 3 Visual Arts students brought creativity to life as they set up a beautiful display on the art bulletin board. With great care and enthusiasm, they curated their own pieces—transforming a blank space into a vibrant gallery that highlights their artistic growth and individuality.

Each work reflects the students' imagination, skill, and dedication. We're so proud of our Level 3 artists for sharing their talents and adding a splash of inspiration to our school halls! 🎨💙💜

SENIORS CAPTURE SPECIAL MOMENTS



In early October, our Class of 2026 seniors had their senior portraits taken. The day was filled with smiles, laughter, and excitement as students prepared to pose for the camera, capturing memories that will last a lifetime.

It's truly surreal to see this talented group preparing for their final year of high school. Seniors, continue to enjoy every moment, make memories, and embrace all the experiences your last year has to offer—show your Cougar Pride! 📸💙💜



Senior Shoutout: Fira Boyd

We are proud to recognize Fira Boyd, a senior on the Girls High School JV Volleyball team! Congratulations on your accomplishments this season and for being a part of IAA Athletic History. Your hard work, dedication, and Cougar Pride continue to inspire your teammates and our school community. 💙💜🏐

Want to submit a senior shoutout? Email your nomination to nvasquez@IAAcslv.net.

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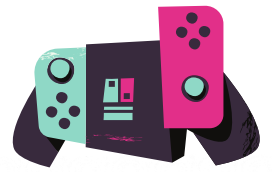
Meet Our Athletic Director, Mr. Bolt

"I was born and raised in Charlotte, North Carolina—more specifically, a small town just across the border called Indian Land, SC. I played Division 1 baseball at Towson University in Baltimore, MD, where I earned my degree in Business Management, and I am currently working toward my graduate degree in Coaching and Sport Management at Milligan University in TN.

I've played all four major sports growing up—baseball, basketball, football, and soccer—but baseball remained my primary sport. I've been to 23 of the 30 MLB stadiums and plan to visit them all! I enjoy watching football, baseball, tennis, hockey, and college basketball—but truly love watching all sports and forms of competition.

My vision for the Athletics Program here at IAA is to create a culture rooted in integrity, discipline, and community involvement. My goal is to provide our student-athletes with the resources and experiences they need to grow athletically, academically, and personally. This year, we are launching Men's and Women's Volleyball and Basketball at both the middle and high school levels, with plans to add more sports in the coming years!

Life as a student-athlete is about more than just what happens on the court or field. It's about building relationships that last a lifetime, developing habits and skills that lead to success far beyond sports, and taking advantage of experiences you may not have access to otherwise. Athletics is a life-changing opportunity—don't miss out!"



GAME
OVER

ESports



IAA's ESports program began the school year with great momentum! Matches for Super Smash Bros. and Marvel Rivals kicked off at the end of September, and our players have already made an impressive mark in statewide rankings. Currently, our Super Smash Bros. team is ranked 20th out of 91 schools in Pennsylvania, and our Marvel Rivals team is tied for 2nd place out of 43 schools in PA.

ESports practices and matches are held every Wednesday and Thursday after school until 5:30 PM. We're incredibly proud of our student-athletes for their dedication and teamwork as they continue to make IAA history—one victory at a time! 🏆💙💜



VOLLEYBALL



Girls Volleyball Makes IAA History



IAA proudly introduced our first-ever PIAA Girls Volleyball teams at both the Middle School and High School Junior Varsity levels this season! With the season starting quickly, our athletes learned from the ground up what it truly means to be a student-athlete. They dedicated themselves to developing their skills, teamwork, and sportsmanship—

growing both on and off the court.

Our JV girls showed perseverance and heart in every match, finishing their season strong with a win against Executive Education Academy!

We are so proud of all their accomplishments and cannot wait to see what they bring to the court next year. 🏐💙💜



TRICK OR TREAT



H A L L O W E E N



IAA's 6th Annual SPOOK-TACULAR Trunk or Treat

Our staff geared up once again for another SPOOK-TACULAR Trunk or Treat, marking our 6th annual celebration! This year, our team created some truly amazing trunks for the contest, showcasing creativity, spirit, and Halloween fun.

We are especially grateful to our generous local businesses—including Buffalo Wild Wings, Chick-fil-A,

Giant, Grocery Outlet, Jersey Mike's, PJ Whelihan's, and J & Starbucks—for donating prizes for our staff contest. Your generosity helped make this year's competition even more exciting!

Thank you to our staff and local businesses for helping make this Trunk or Treat so spook-tacular! 🎃💙❤️