

August Issue

Journalism Elective

Welcome Back Jaguars!

The 2018-2019 is off to a ROARING start! IRMS staff and students returned back this month to many INCREDIBLE changes. With a brand new group of sixth graders, and many new staff members, our Jaguar family has grown! The Before Care program has extended itself to include After Care which runs from 4-6:30 daily. There are new electives and clubs as well, including 3-D Art, Pre Law, and Intro to Speech!

There is something that has definitely not changed at IRMS this year- our dedication to making our students and school safe and successful! Mr. Ian Murray, our new school principal prioritizes those two endeavors above all else and could not be happier to be part of the Ridge family!

LET THE ADVENTURE BEGIN!

Procedure Changes are now in effect!

All parents entering the school parking lot between 9:30 and 3:00 must call the front office to be let in by security personnel. This is a county wide initiative meant to ensure the safety of all students and faculty. Please be patient with these changes as we all adjust!

UPCOMING EVENTS

9/3- NO SCHOOL

9/5- NJHS Meeting @4-4:30pm
9/6- 6th grade Open House @6:00pm
9/6- Home Soccer game @4:30pm
9/6-9/24 Special 8th grade Yearbook pricing
9/10- NO SCHOOL
9/13- 7th grade Open House @6:00pm
9/17 Home Soccer game @4:30pm
9/19- NO SCHOOL
9/20- 8th grade Open House @6:00pm
9/24- Home Soccer game @4:30pm
9/25- Home Soccer game @4:30pm
10/1- Yearbooks go ON SALE! (First 250 @ \$40!



ADMINISTRATION

Mr. Ian Murray- Principal Ms. Irene Ortiz - 8th Grade Assistant Principal Mrs. Karen Birke - 7th Grade Assistant Principal Mr. David Greenfield - 6th Grade Assistant Principal

Welcome to the Jaguar Jungle?

Administration



Mr. Ian Murray

Mr. Murray has been in the education business for 22 years. He likes that this school has excellent teachers, great students, a supportive community, and wonderful parents. Before becoming principal at Indian Ridge, Mr. Murray was principal at Coral Springs Middle for 10 years. He has been refereeing college and high school basketball for a side job. He graduated from Florida A&M University. He also went to Plantation High School.

Mr. David Greenfield



Mrs. Birke comes to us from Bair Middle School where she was the eighth grade principal for 20 years! Prior to becoming an administrator, Mrs. Birke taught language arts. She "love, love, LOVES" Indian Ridge and has been a very welcome addition to our Jaguar family. Fun fact about Mrs. Birke- she has flown over a glacier in Alaska IN A Mr. Greenfield was most recently the Assistant Principal at Plantation Middle School for the past 3 years. He says that everyone he has met has been "friendly and willing to go the extra mile for their students!"

Fun Facts: He was born and raised in NY (Long Island) and is a big Yankees fan! He has two children: Emily (6th grade at IRMS) and Spencer (1st grade at Central Park Elementary).



Mrs. Karen Birke

Mrs. Marino graduated from University of Florida with a Dual Masters and continued on to University of Pennsylvania to study Psychology. She has been with Broward County Schools since 2001and was a Support Facilitator for 8 years and an ESE Specialist for 8 years. She has actually worked with Mr. Greenfield, Ms. Morgan, and Ms. Birke at previous schools, so they all go way back! Fun fact: She has two bearded dragons named Whip and Nae Nae.



Mrs. Alison Marino

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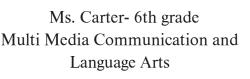
New Faculty and Staff



Ms. Casablanca 7th grade Science









Mr. Williams All Grades Band



Ms. Shabsels 6th grade Language Arts/Intro to Speech



Ms. Maureen Edmunds ESE Secretary



Mr. Clarence Hinkins Campus Monitor



Ms. Cohen Speech Language Pathologist



Ms. Munoz 8th Grade Language Arts





Ms. Sterling 8th grade Language Arts





Mr. Arnold-SVE teacher

NEED TO KNOW

YEARBOOKS!

8TH GRADERS ONLY! * SPECIAL PACKAGE FOR 2018/19-

BUY A FULL PAGE RECOGNITION AD AND GET A YEARBOOK FOR ONLY

\$25! **OFFERED FROM 9/ -9/28**

ALL OTHER 8TH GRADE ADS WILL BE SOLD STARTING 10/1: FULL PAGE- \$150 HALF PAGE- \$100 **QUARTER PAGE- \$50** Follow us on Installing

ALSO STARTING 10/1: FIRST 250 BOOKS SOLD WILL BE ONLY \$40! **LIMITED TIME ONLY! REGULAR PRICE IS \$50!**

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Health Screenings for 6th Grade Students:

Florida Statute 381.0056 requires that health screenings be conducted in various grade levels.

6th grade students will participate in Vision, Hearing, BMI (Body Mass Index) and Scoliosis screenings. Vision, Hearing and BMI screenings will take place on

Tuesday, 9/11/18 and Wednesday, 9/12/18.

Scoliosis screening will take place on Tuesday, 10/9/18.

Parents/Guardians have the option to decline their child's participation in the health

screenings.

Opt Out forms will be given to every 6th grader the week of August 20th. Opt Out forms must be returned to your child's Science teacher no later than August 31, 2018.

Please contact Mrs. Morgan, 6th grade School Counselor, at 754-323-3351 with any questions.

Parents interested in providing input into the performance evaluations of Indian Ridge Middle instructional and/or administrative employee evaluations many contact our office at (754) 323-3300 by April 12,

Here's to an INCREDIBLE



