



International Academy of Saginaw

January 2022 Newsletter

Dear IAS Families:

I hope everyone had a great Christmas Break! IAS is looking forward to a great 2022. Even though cases of COVID are surging after the holidays, we want to make sure that everyone is safe and healthy. IAS will be focusing on good handwashing practices for our students. Maintaining proper social distancing is important to prevent the spread of sickness. It also is important for us to respond immediately and inform parents of any COVID related cases at IAS. Again, the health and safety of our students and their families are a top priority.

Prior to break, we had a visit from Santa Claus during the classroom Christmas parties. Santa sang, handed out gifts, took pictures, and brought a lot of holiday cheer to IAS. Check out our Facebook page, newsletter, and website for pictures of the event.

Re-enrollment forms for the 2022-23 school year will be going home with students, starting in February. IAS will need these completed and returned as soon as possible. As always if you need anything, please contact us at (989) 921-1000.

Thank you,

Austin Brinkman, Principal

IMPORTANT Dates January 2022

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| January 5 | Return from Winter Break |
| January 17 | M.L.K. Jr. Holiday, No School |
| January 25 | End of the 1 st Semester |

IAS SPOTLIGHT

Staff Member of the Month

- **Angie Wazny**
Food Service

Student of the Month

- **Alexander Gamble II**
1st Grade

Why is Attendance So Important?

- Michigan ranks in the top 10 for highest chronic absenteeism rate across all the States
- Missing School = Missing Out
- Students fall behind academically
- Reading levels are effected

Visit us at iasacademy.org

Or call us at (989) 921-1000

Winter Weather School Closings

In the event school needs to be cancelled due to weather, **IAS will report closing to ABC 12, NBC 25, and FOX 66.** IAS will also be sending a call from school messenger. **Please make sure that your correct phone number is updated into our system.**



Christmas Party Celebration at IAS



Ms. Edwards and 1st /2nd Grade



(Staff) Ms. Simms and Ms. Taylor

SKYWARD Student/Family Access

You can now access all of your students grades and attendance through SKYWARD. The link to access the student/family access is on our schools website iasacademy.org.

You will need to select the **parent portal** option at the top of the webpage, to gain access to the **SKYWARD link**. When the log in page appears there is a drop down box below the username and password box that you will need to select **family/student access**.

Log in name is the first 5 letters of your last name, first 3 letters of first name, then add 3 zeros. If you have not yet done so, please call IAS (989) 921-1000 or contact your student's teacher for your SKYWARD password ID #.

Who is eligible?

- Anyone 5 and older seeking primary series of Pfizer.
- Anyone 16 and older seeking boosters of Pfizer, Moderna (at least six months since last vaccine) or J&J (at least two months since last vaccine).

Saginaw County  HEALTH DEPARTMENT

If you have questions, call (989) 758-3828.

VAX and BOOST  TO SAFEGUARD SAGINAW

JANUARY COVID-19 Vaccine Clinics

COVID-19 first, second and booster doses

- Thursday, Jan. 6 (Drive-thru)
Sears Automotive
9am-3:30pm
- Wednesday, Jan. 26 (Walk-in)
Mt. Olive Institutional
Missionary Baptist Church
3-6pm
- Monday, Jan. 10 (Drive-thru)
Sears Automotive
9am-3:30pm
- Thursday, Jan. 27 (Drive-thru)
Sears Automotive
9am-3:30pm
- Thursday, Jan. 20 (Drive-thru)
Sears Automotive
9am-3:30pm

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Ms. Denome and her family posing for pictures with Santa. 3 of her children attend IAS.



SCHOOL MESSENGER

Please makes sure your phone number is updated in our system to receive important IAS phone messages. Also, check to make sure you are connected to your child’s teacher on **Class Dojo**.

Getting to Know your Staff at IAS

Mrs. Lindsey Parker
7/8 Grade Teacher

(Pictured with daughter visiting Santa)



Graduated College from:
Michigan State University

Favorite Food:
Grilled Cheese

Dream Vacation Destination:
Hawaii

Favorite Hobby:
Reading

Favorite Video Game:
The Sims

Favorite Movie:
The Odd Couple 2

Fun fact about me:
I play tennis competitively