



# Weekly Bulletin

## Calendar of Upcoming Events

Date	Cycle	Events
2/15	-	• Presidents Day- No School
2/16	3	•
2/17	1	•
2/18	2	•
2/19	3	• YAT Dance
2/22	1	•
2/23	2	• PTSA: Executive Board Meeting
2/24	3	•
2/25	1	• 7th Grade Parents Family Life Night; 6:00; Room B5 (optional-see attachment)
2/26	2	•
3/1		• School Site Council Meeting 2:45
3/2		• 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade STAR Writing Test • Late Start <b>for 8th Graders Only!</b> • Block Schedule Periods 1,3,5 (see below) • Read Across America Day
3/3		• Block Schedule Periods 2,4,6 (see below)

### Schedule for Tuesday, 3/2

8:00-10:00	STAR Writing Test	(2 hours)
10:00 – 11:07	Period 1	(67 min)
11:11 – 12:18	Period 3	(67 min)
12:22 – 12:52	Lunch	(Cycle 1 for Lunch)
12:56 – 2:03	Period 5	(67 min)
2:07 – 2:28	TA	(21 min)

### Schedule for Wednesday, 3/3

8:00 – 9:10	Period 2	(70 min)
9:14 – 10:24	Period 4	(70 min)
10:28– 11:38	Period 6	(70 min)
11:42 – 12:12	Lunch	(Cycle 2 for Lunch)
12:16 – 12:39	TA	(23 min)

## SVMS News



- **T.O.Y. Story:** Congratulations to teacher Kris Linville, who was recently named IUSD's 2010 Middle School Teacher of the Year!!! Kris will be honored, along with our counselor and site Teacher of the Year Tonia McManus at a District-wide celebration in April. For those unaware, this is the second consecutive year that a Sierra Vista staff member has been named as District Teacher of the Year! For more info, see the IUSD Press Release and OC register article at the links below:

[http://www.iusd.org/district\\_news\\_information/documents/TOY021010.pdf](http://www.iusd.org/district_news_information/documents/TOY021010.pdf)

<http://www.ocregister.com/news/school-233701-teacher-year.html>

- **Modernization:** Our construction crew continues to stay on schedule with Phase 1 of the SVMS Modernization. Recent activity includes the tiling of restrooms, installation and finishing of drywall on all walls, replacement of exterior siding, and installation of new exterior doorways and windows. See pictures below...



*Framed doorways to the new restrooms*



*Office Doorway & Window Installation*



*Drywall finishing of new Science Lab*



*Next steps: Paint & Wall Paper*



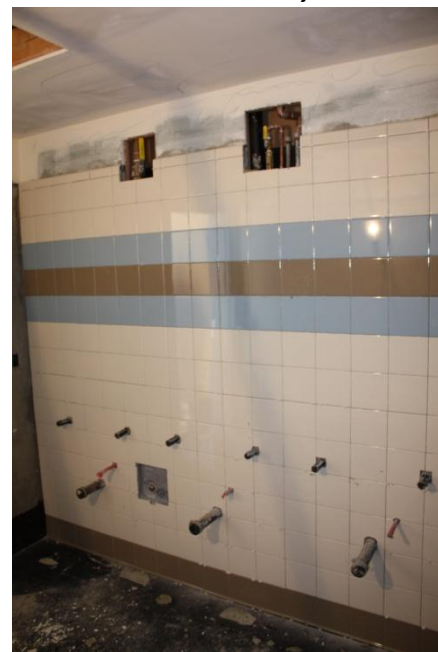
*Stucco walls in the new boys bathrooms...*



*...now covered with shiny new tile!*



*New exterior siding*



*Girls restroom to be...*

- **Irvine Junior Games:** Students interested in participating on the SVMS team for the Irvine Junior Games should see Mr. Caldwell or their P.E. teacher this week. For more information, you may contact Mr. Caldwell @ [ncaldwel@iusd.org](mailto:ncaldwel@iusd.org) or (949)936-6649.

## PTSA News



- **Fundraiser Update:** Thank you to all parents who came out to support our fundraiser at the Asian Tapas restaurant last month. Several hundred dollars were raised to support a high quality learning experience for all at SVMS!

## IUSD News



- **\$\$!!** : The state budget crisis continues to take its toll on public education, creating a \$22 million shortfall for the Irvine Unified School District alone. In response, the nonprofit Irvine Public Schools Foundation has launched a five-week campaign to raise money for classroom support in 2010-11.

IPSF has announced that all funds collected between now and March 1 will be used to lessen the impacts of class-size increases. Specifically, these dollars will go straight to our schools, which will be empowered to provide direct support in the form of classroom aides and additional teaching hours.

Unfortunately, there isn't much time to act. Because IUSD and the Board of Education are facing critical budget deadlines, the funding must be in place by March 1.

Remember that the Irvine Public Schools Foundation is the only organization with the resources to impact every school in our district. Moreover, IPSF is underwriting the cost of this latest fundraising effort to ensure that 100 percent of the dollars received go directly to support students.

Parents and community members are encouraged to learn more about the foundation and its five-week campaign by logging on to [www.ipsf.net](http://www.ipsf.net).

- **IPSF Ambassador Update & FAQ's:** see attachments.
- **Irvine Family Resource Center:** See attached flyers for our winter parent classes at the Irvine Family Resource Center – starting late January.
  - Active Parenting of Teens** (parents of ages 12-18)
  - Active Parenting Now** (parents of ages 2-12)
  - Free Parent Support Group** (parents of all ages - K-12)
  - Positive Discipline** (parents of all ages - K-12)



- **Charity Run:** For the past 11 years, the Pediatric Cancer Research Foundation has held a very successful run-walk event in the Irvine Spectrum area for its donors and participants. This year, IPSF is proud to team up with PCRf to help raise funds for Irvine schools! In 2010, the event will be held on Sunday, May 2. More details are included on the attached flier.
- **NHS Timberwolf 5K Run/Walk:** The Inaugural Timberwolf 5K Run/Walk, set for Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup>, is an NHS Athletic Boosters event designed to enhance community spirit while supporting athletic programs. We invite you to **“Run with the Pack”** as you have fun with friends, colleagues, neighbors and family. Both a 5K and 1K “Fun Run” will be part of the festivities.
  - A portion of the proceeds from this fundraiser will go to Families Forward.
  - USATF-Certified Course
  - Micro-chip timing
  - Awards by category and age
  - Walkers and casual participants are welcome!
  - All participants will receive a commemorative event t-shirt.
  - NHS Teams, all students (past, present and future), faculty and staff are encouraged to join the fun, with giveaways and mementos for all.

Register now at [www.Timberwolf5K.com](http://www.Timberwolf5K.com) ! You can download an entry form or register securely online.

For more information please contact our Race Director, Rob Duncanson, at [Timberwolf5k@cox.net](mailto:Timberwolf5k@cox.net).



- **H1N1 Hlu Vaccine:** Click on the following [link](#) to find locations offering the H1N1 Flu Shot in and around Irvine. Once you “click” on the link, wait for it to “populate” so that you can see all of the locations.
- **District NewsFlash :** IUSD has a new webpage dedicated to breaking news and information. It’s called the **District NewsFlash**, and you can access it through the homepage at [www.iusd.org](http://www.iusd.org). (The link will be on the right side of your screen.) Or, you can log on directly at [www.iusd.org/newsflash](http://www.iusd.org/newsflash)
- **IUSD Today:** See what’s happening around the Irvine Unified School District in the latest edition of IUSD Today (available online @ [http://www.iusd.org/district\\_news\\_information/IUSDToday.html](http://www.iusd.org/district_news_information/IUSDToday.html) )
- **Board Briefs:** Find out what has transpired at recent IUSD Board of Education meetings by reading Board Briefs (available online @ [http://www.iusd.org/district\\_news\\_information/BoardBriefs.html](http://www.iusd.org/district_news_information/BoardBriefs.html))

## Community News

- **YOUTH ACTION TEAM:** Youth Action Team is always open to new members. It is a free program that provides opportunities for students to volunteer community service in fun, innovative, and safe environments. Each week YAT members volunteer to make an impact in wildlife, the environment, the elderly, and families in need. Meetings are on Mondays – afterschool from 2:30-3:30 at Sierra Vista in the PAB. Projects are Wednesdays afterschool. Project times vary between projects. To register, students simply need to attend a Monday meeting. See attached flier.