

January 17, 2021

Good evening Charger Families,

This is Melissa Baird, Principal of Inverness Middle School, with another edition of our *Weekly News Flash!*

As a reminder, there is no school on Monday in observance of Martin Luther King Day. Second semester begins on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. We are looking forward to meeting our Chargers who are returning to brick-and-mortar from Citrus Virtual. If you are new to IMS, please report to the cafeteria upon your arrival on Tuesday morning.

On Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup> Girls Basketball will be playing in the championships at Lecanto Middle School; depending on the outcome of the game – they may play again at LMS on Thursday. Also on Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> there will be a FFA Club meeting in Mr. Steffer's room from 2:30pm-4:30pm. Starting next week, we will have Track sign-up for all students grades 6-8. There will be a QR code in the cafeteria or you can see Coach Evans for more information. All students must have a completed [physical packet](#) on file in order to be cleared to participate. We are now accepting applications for NJHS for both our IMS brick-and-mortar students and our IMS Citrus Virtual students. Applications are available in the Front Office, Guidance, Student Services, Mr. Miller's room (603), and the application is on our website. Completed applications are due to [Mr. Scott Miller](#) no later than January 28<sup>th</sup>. Additionally, Literacy Week is January 25<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup>, and we have [activities](#) planned for each day!

Now for a few reminders: Students will need to bring a refillable water bottle to school with them each and every day, and please be mindful of the dress code policy as outlined in the [Citrus County Code of Student Conduct](#). Parents, we have seen an increase in students wearing hats and sunglasses to school; please keep those items at home. Next week our IMS Administrative Team will be Zooming with all science classes to review rules and expectations. Additionally, if your child is sick please keep them at home. If you have had them tested for COVID-19, they must remain at home until you have the test results. We must all do our part to ensure a safe and healthy environment for our students and staff.

Finally, our [January Newsletter](#) is available on our website! Plus, we invite you to attend our next SAC meeting on Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup>. You can find information about [SAC](#) on our school website. Parents, please help us by completing the [Free/Reduced Lunch Application](#). The completion of this form is a vital component to our Title 1 funding, and we appreciate your support.

Have a wonderful week and stay tuned for your next *Weekly News Flash* on Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>!

Thank you,  
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