

Weeks of November 15 and November 22 , 2021

# IB NEWSLETTER

Hillcrest IB Weekly Newsletter



Dear IB Parents and Students,

## IB COORDINATOR MESSAGE

This week I'd like to share some thoughts from our IB teachers on how they see some of our IB students exemplifying the attributes of the IB learner profile.

### **Roy King – Knowledgeable**

*"Roy is a great example of the IB attribute Knowledgeable. Roy goes above and beyond what is asked of him in class to deepen his understanding and knowledge of concepts just for the sake of learning. He is not only able to grasp the depth of specific concepts but also connect these concepts about culture across the globe and time periods throughout history"* – Ms. Jeppson, IB Art History teacher

### **Louis Jensen - Communicator**

*"As vice president of the art committee, Louis has been the main source of communication with me and the members of the club. He has proven to lead and work collaboratively with his peers, as well as myself and other teachers. In addition to Louis's ability to communicate effectively in various professional situations, he is also very skilled at understanding and expressing complex ideas, knowledge, and information confidently and creatively as it applies to multiple contexts. IB Art History is a rigorous course where students must visually analyze and connect ideas and information of cultural practices and time periods throughout history and articulate how multiple facets of time, culture, and space interact and influence each other. Louis has been within the top five percent of students I have ever had in this class."* – Ms. Jeppson, IB Art History teacher

### **Risa Hoshijima - Principled**

*"Risa is a good example of principled. She is very good at giving her best effort in IB Spanish class when maybe not all is totally understood, but she holds to the principles of the learning process and is doing a great job!"* – Mr. James, IB Spanish teachers

### **Samuel Martin – Caring**

*"Samuel Martin is a wonderful IB student. He is very helpful and caring. When other students around him have questions he is the first person to help them."* – Mr. Leininger, IB Physics teacher

### **Jayashabari Shankar – Risk Taker**

*Jayashabari is a risk taker. She has only taken 3 years of French, and one of them being online through a homeschooling program during the pandemic. She is in the SL class this year and she earned the International Seal of Bilingualism with the highest scores in our school. -Ms. Hulet, IB French Teacher*

- Mr. Olsen

## IB STUDENT COUNCIL PRESIDENT MESSAGE

*All students interested in getting service for NHS or CAS are welcome to sign up for tutoring at the Boys and Girls Club in Midvale at this link*

*<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/10HWWGKpvd2xir2IXIXiINVJDly1I5ydcZRquzFm7MIA/edit?usp=sharing>.*

*Tutoring will likely be held every Monday after school, depending on staffing. Students will need to their vaccination card to Ms.Veenstra before volunteering*

*Also, the IB food drive has been extended to December 3rd, so get those donations in next week! We've relocated the barrels to the IB room, library, counseling center, and main office.*

*IB will be hosting a potluck in December! We would love if everyone could bring a cultural dish to share. Be on the lookout for a signup sheet for that soon.*

*- Selena Yu*

## CAS COORDINATOR MESSAGE

*Does it matter how you arrange your extracurriculars in the common app? If so, why?*

*The answer will be at the end of this message*

*IB food drive has extended to December 3rd. Our officers have asked for four more blue bins and they have been distributed around the school. Many students are ready to serve and it has been great seeing the donations coming in.*

*We have already started to volunteer at the Midvale Boys and Girls Club every Monday after school. Students must fill out an assumption of risk form and they must sign up for available dates and times. If you have questions, please look at the IB website for more information. You must also show proof of vaccination whether it is on your phone, with a valid proof of ID, and wear a mask at all times.*

*There are many more service opportunities for CAS! National Honors Society is currently holding a donation drive for Lifting Hands International, an organization dedicated to helping refugees from and people in the Middle East. They've decided to open this drive to the entire school as a class competition lasting throughout the entirety of November.*

*Starting next week, look for an area or box in your APP teacher's classroom for donations. Each item has a certain amount of points that'll be counted at the end of each week. The winning APP class at the end of the month will get free breakfast from Kneaders, second place will get ice cream sandwiches, and third place will get donuts. Make sure to donate so your class wins!*

*Yes, it is important how you arrange your extracurricular on your common app. You want to list your first WOW first tier extracurricular first followed by the next and so on. This first is going to be the punch line of how you've dedicated your time, international achievement, highest achievement ever, leadership, passion, dedication, etc. This first entry is the "gotcha" moment. Where you are telling the dream school, "Invest in me because I can bring this kind of publicity/achievements/dedication here too!"*

*- Ms.Veenstra*

# IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- *STEM Tutoring for IB students: <https://studentledstemtutoring.weebly.com/>*
- **November 12 - December 3:** *The IB food drive has started! Please bring in canned food for the Food Bank. The food drive will end before Thanksgiving break, Wednesday, November 23rd. Bins are in the main office and in the IB office. You can also receive NHS hours. Donations are five items for one hour. You can earn up to five donation hours to any donation drive for this quarter.*
- **November 22:** *Beginning November 22nd Our IB program will be volunteering at the Midvale Boys and Girls Club every Monday after school! More information to come on signing up for this great service opportunity.*
- **November 24-26: Thanksgiving Recess**
- **December 1st: Final EE draft due.**
- **December 9th:** *IB information session. Hillcrest High presentation room 6:00-7:00pm. (mostly for incoming students and parents interested in learning more about the IB program)*

## **Official Hillcrest IB Website**

<https://www.hillcrestib.org>

## **Important Contact Information**

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## “I THINK THEREFORE IB”

**Question:** *What are the IB's approaches to learning (ATL)*

**Answer:** *The approaches to learning (ATL's) of IB are closely linked with the IB learner profile attributes, they are...*

- *Thinking skills (analyze, apply, evaluate, synthesize, conceptualize, reason and solve)*
- *Communication skills (The ability to produce and interpret messages effectively)*
- *Social skills (The ability to participate and collaborate while showing awareness and respect for other cultures, varying points of view, and individual differences)*
- *Research skills (locate, access, organize, evaluate, use, share, cite information effectively, efficiently and ethically)*
- *Self-management skills (set goals, manage time, manage your state of mind, self-motivation, resilience and mindfulness)*

*Next week: What are the IB's approaches to teaching?*

**\*if you'd like a question answered under the “I think therefore IB” section of the IB newsletter, please submit your questions to [john.olsen@canyonsdistrict.org](mailto:john.olsen@canyonsdistrict.org)**