



Parent Association Council (PAC)

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Mission Statement

The PAC's mission is to enhance the educational and residential experience of IMSA students by providing resources and working collaboratively with IMSA's administration, faculty, staff and students.

Meeting Agenda

- Welcome & PAC Mission
- Principal's Office Update
- CAC Office Update
- Giving Day
- Student Affair Update
- PAC Update
- Q&A Session

Academics Updates

(including College and Academic Counseling)

Dr. Angela Rowley

Principal and Chief Academic Officer

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End of Year Calendar Awareness

March 13 - End of 3rd quarter

March 27 - final 3rd quarter grades posted for transcripts

April 1 - ACT testing for Juniors

April 4 - April 12 - spring break

April 15 - IMSAloquium

April 22 - PACT for Sophomores

April 29 - SLX

May 4 - May 15 - AP exams

May 11 - May 15 - last week of assessments in English, History, World Language, Wellness

May 18 - Special Schedule, Sr Assembly

May 19-20 - Summative Assessments in math, science, and some CS

May 21 - make up exams

May 22 - Graduation rehearsal, senior dinner

May 23 - Graduation

Accommodations

<https://www.imsa.edu/academics/accommodations-at-imsa/>

All students needing academic or residential accommodations must submit their request each year

- Submit the Request for Accommodations Form.
- Submit documentation with a diagnosis from a physician to verify the disability. Documentation must be current (within the last 2 years)
- Participate in accommodations planning with IMSA staff to discuss accommodation requests.
 - Education plans
 - Special housing requests
 - Medical needs

Summer Opportunities

SRELO

- Residential or commuter options, Aurora and other campuses
- Research topic and experience is designed by the mentor and partner institution. Students frequently work in pairs or small groups
- Application deadline was extended due to additional opportunities
- Placements will be out soon
- IMSA students are pre-qualified, no research course needed
- Dr. Anita White (awhite@imsa.edu)

Summer SIR & Internships

- No residential options, students are responsible for any transportation needs
- The student initiates contact with potential SIR mentor/research lab
- SIR research topics are initiated by the student and developed in collaboration with the mentor
- Internships are a blend of student initiative and predefined opportunities
- Duration and frequency are determined in collaboration with SIR or Internship office
- SIR: Dr. Luke Berryman (lberryman@imsa.edu)
- Internships: Ms. Sue Fricano (sfricano@imsa.edu)

Summer math & other coursework

Summer coursework for advancement

- Only currently available in math
- must be pre-approved by CAC and math department (Dr. Janice Krouse (jkrouse@imsa.edu))
- Required coursework (A or B) and IMSA final exam (80% or better)
- Coursework for core advancement does not qualify for graduation credit
- IMSA does not fund summer coursework
- Detailed information will be sent before spring break

**If there is sufficient interest in a specific course, we will attempt to offer that course through IMSA either online or in person*

Summer coursework for enrichment/graduation requirements

- Consideration for all content areas
- Must be taken through an accredited community college or university; high school courses are not accepted
- Must be pre-approved by CAC and principal's office
- Cannot be similar to a course offered at IMSA, cannot replace core requirements
- IMSA does not fund summer coursework
- Only 2 courses can be transferred in towards graduation credit

Registrar Updates

Please welcome Mrs. Shari Katich-Rogers to the role of Registrar. Mrs. Katich-Rogers is coming from our Principal's Office and is in her fifth year with the IMSA community. **WELCOME SHARI!**



- All transcript requests can still be sent to:
registrar@imsa.edu
- If you can please make sure to provide your previous **HOME SCHOOL** and all documents needed in your initial request.

ACT & PRE-ACT TESTING

Save the Date

Due to changes in ACT/Pre-ACT testing protocols, the spring testing dates have been adjusted. Each class will be split up into two (2) testing groups.

ACT for all Juniors - APRIL 1, 2026

- Students with last names starting with “A” through “K” will test in the morning.
- Students with last names starting with “L” through “Z” will test in the afternoon.

Pre-ACT for all Sophomores - APRIL 22, 2026

- Students with last names starting with “A” through “K” will test in the morning.
- Students with last names starting with “L” through “Z” will test in the afternoon.

AP LATE REGISTRATION

- No later than **3:00 PM on Friday, March 13 - NO EXCEPTIONS**
 - Registration is not complete until students have printed the pdf of the Total Registration confirmation page and have enrolled their exams with College Board.
 - AP confirmation forms and payments are **due** to the CAC office on **Friday, March 13, 2026 at 3:00 PM.**
 - *If paying by check, payment is due to the CAC office at 8:00am
- Total Registration (<https://user.totalregistration.net/AP/140177>) and College Board (<MyAP.CollegeBoard.org>) for AP exam enrollment.
 - Registration information and instructions can be found in the Naviance Student document library.
 - Parents and students are both present while registering to ensure that the correct exams are ordered (IMSA is not responsible for exam registration errors)
- Students can only register for late exams in the following subjects:
 - [Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Physics 1 - Algebra-based, Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism, Physics C: Mechanics](#)
 - [Calculus AB, Calculus BC, Precalculus, Statistics, Computer Science A](#)
 - [English Language and Composition, Spanish Language and Composition](#)
 - [Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Psychology, United States History, US Government and Politics, World History.](#)
- As a reminder, each exam costs **\$99**, and each exam ordered will **also be charged** College Board's **\$40 late registration fee**. Students eligible for fee reduction still only pay **\$22** per exam but must also pay the **full \$40 late registration fee**. Credit card payments will still be invoiced through MySchoolBucks for your convenience, with the **4.9% processing fee** invoice as a separate line item. **You may also pay via personal check, but checks must arrive by 8:00 AM on Friday, March 13** or risk converting into an obligation on MySchoolBucks instead. All payments are due by **Friday, March 13, 2026 at 3:00 PM.**

Senior Class...

- Please encourage students to continue to update Naviance with the college admissions decisions.
- We are also asking families to continue to use the College Visit Approval form when requesting an excused absence for college visits.
 - The form can be found in the Document Library > Shared files
- We are nearing the end of the third quarter (March 13), seniors may begin to feel “senior-its”, it is important that they continue to use their academic resources, properly prepare to assessments and take care of themselves mentally and physically. **THEY'RE ALMOST TO THE FINISH LINE!**

Junior Class...

- The CAC team is currently conducting Family College Conferences
 - **Reminder:** If you have not already scheduled your Family College Conference, please have your student meet with their CAC as soon as possible to schedule a date and time.
- COLLEGE DAY - April 18th (9am -1:20pm)
 - Junior students and families are invited to attend our college event to meet and speak with over 50+ college representatives
 - This event is open to Juniors and their families only.
 - Our Keynote Speaker will be from Northwestern University to discuss college admissions.

Sophomore Class...

- As we near the end of the third quarter, please remind your students that there are various resources available to support them academically:
 - Peer Tutor Website has launched where students can find tutors throughout the halls for additional academic support in various courses: peertutor.imsa.edu
 - IN2 Study Sessions are staffed by peer tutors with varying backgrounds available to support students in the evening: session dates are sent out to students as they are scheduled.
 - Academic Support Hub in Canvas is consistently updated with resources for students

Final Notes

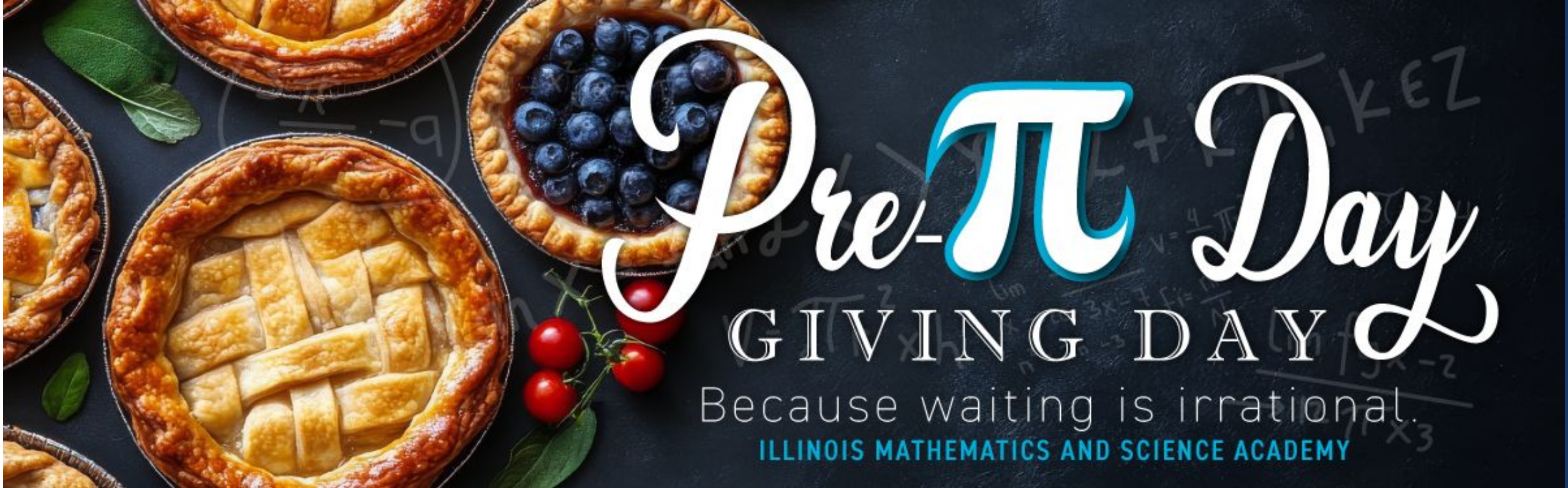
- Once we return from Spring Break (April 6 - 9), we will only have 5 weeks remaining until the end of the year.

Students should continue to

- Go to class *on time*
 - Do the work
 - Make GOOD choices
 - Meet with their teachers during office hours, S&E, open mods
 - Create plans for continued academic success (see CAC for help)
- If you are interested in donating snacks for the remaining spring study session dates are as follows: 3/17, 4/21, 4/28 and 5/12 from 5:30p-7:30p
 - Please feel free to contact Ms. Keck at akeck@imsa.edu

Giving Day

Meg Junk



IMSA's first annual Pi Day Giving- March 13 (Pre-Pi Day!)

Parents can play an important role in helping us reach more supporters in order to support the student iMSA experience!



3 Ways Parents Can Help IMSA's Pi Day Campaign Succeed

1. Share the Pre-Pi Day Giving page with your networks
2. Encourage friends and family to give — every gift counts
3. Celebrate IMSA students and their achievements

Challenges

- **\$3,140 Match Challenge:** Help unlock a \$3,140 matching gift — every dollar adds up!
- **32 New Donors Goal:** Encourage first-time donors to join the “Pi 32” and receive a limited-edition Pi-themed sticker pack.
- **Residence Hall Pie Challenge:** Vote for your hall by giving — the hall with the most gifts wins a hall-wide Pi Day celebration!

<https://www.imsa.edu/discover-imsa/alumni/pre-pi-day-giving-day-2026/>

Student Affair Updates

Dr. Katie Berger
Chief Student Affairs Officer

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www.IMSA.edu



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**PROUD PARENT OF AN
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Thank You for Your Advocacy!

- Thank you for sharing (and continuing to share) that IMSA is a local interest, and not just a responsibility for Aurora.
- It made a difference! The Governor is proposing \$100 million in capital funding for IMSA residence halls.
- Please continue to call, email and meet with your elected State Representatives and Senators.

Student Housing Agreement

- 1 per student, submitted through PowerSchool
- Part 1 : Reviewing of Housing Process
 - Ensures students understand and agree to IMSA's housing process
- Part 2: Preference Request
 - Allows you to indicate your desired housing preferences. This form should match your chosen roommate's form.
 - Accommodation requests are no longer included in the Housing Request.



Student Housing Forms

- The Housing Agreement will be completed through PowerSchool. Accommodations requests will be submitted through the IMSA website.
- The Housing Agreement is due March 20th.
 - All deadlines are set in the system.
 - You will not be able to submit after the deadline has passed.
- Triple check your information is accurate and complete.





Looking Ahead

- Senior Banquet ticket purchases close March 14th
- Clash of the Halls- Week of March 23rd
- Halls close for Spring Break at 7:00pm on Friday, April 3rd
- Halls will re-open Sunday, April 12th at 3:00pm

PAC Updates

Treasurer Update

Income - as of February 28, 2026

	Budget	YTD
IMSA Funding Fall 2025	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Donations for Legends, Diwali	\$3000.00	\$1,385.00
Donations for Student Life - Wing Ps	\$0.00	\$200.00
Interest Income on Savings	\$1.01	\$1.32
Totals	\$18,001.01	\$16,586.32

Expenses - as of February 28, 2026

	Budget	YTD
2026 Senior Banquet Deposit	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
Fed IRS NFP reporting	\$125.00	\$116.90
Multicultural - Legends, Diwali	\$3,000.00	\$4,000.00
Regional Reps	\$400.00	\$509.78
Titan Take-Off - Ice Cream	\$0.00	\$566.41
Wing Parents - Student Life	\$3,360.00	\$821.26
S1 Finals Study Session - Food	\$0.00	\$957.07
Totals	\$21,885.00	\$21,971.42

Multicultural Committee

Report on BSU *The Ase Awards Show*



Next multicultural show is Alma Latina
Student Show: April 24th @6:30 PM
Student Reception: April 24 @8:00 PM
Family Show: Apr. 25th @2:30PM

Look out for reception donations & volunteer sign ups
on **Sign-Up Genius** on **FaceBook & Titan Tuesday**
for the student reception

Any questions contact

Julie Weingarz • multicultural1@imsapac.org

Joenn Choi • multicultural2@imsapac.org

Academic Committee

Academic Committee- What do we do?

The primary purpose of the Academic Committee is to facilitate communication and involvement between the Administration, Faculty, and parents on academic matters.

Our discussions center around academic concerns that affect many students in the IMSA community, not just one student. We exist to provide a voice to parents that may not want to talk directly with the administration or may want to remain anonymous.



If my student is struggling...

- Academics

- Start with the teacher
 - Office hours or S& E
 - individual appointments
 - peer tutoring
- Reach out to the CAC
 - study skills & organization (Ms. Amy Keck)
 - success plan

- Residential/Social

- Start with the RC
 - day to day needs
 - peer engagement
- School Counselors (counseling@imsa.edu)
 - coping strategies
 - mental health days
 - assessment

- Documented disability/medical condition: Ms. Crystal England - accommodations@imsa.edu



Regional Picnics

2026 Regional Picnics - Hosts Needed!

- A budget of approximately \$150 from the PAC will be available for each regional picnic, covering the cost of things like a picnic shelter rental, basic items like ice, soda, some food, etc.
- Picnics are to be hosted during the **first two weekends of August 2026** to avoid conflicting with the Excel Program for incoming sophomores.
- IMSA Administration will assign IMSA staff members to attend each picnic to help answer any school-specific questions incoming families may have.



2026 Regional Picnics

Parents Needed to Host a Picnic in These Regions:

- **Region 1** (610, 612, 613)
- **Region 2** (614, 615, 616, 617)
- **Region 4** (623, 625, 626, 627)
- **Part of Region 5** (628, 629)



Email Natalie Knight to help:
vp@imsapac.org

Senior Banquet Committee

Senior Banquet - Friday, May 22, 2026 5:00 - 11:00 pm

- **Tickets on sale NOW! \$100+ per person. Contact Dr. Katie Berger if financially qualify for a discount.**
- **NOW - March 14 - Up to 3 Total Tickets per student family can be purchased- Student ticket counts toward 3-ticket limit**
- **Starting March 14th - additional tickets will be available for sale on a first-come, first-served basis**



Senior Banquet - Friday, May 22, 2026 5:00 - 11:00 pm

- **NOTE: There are a limited number of Hotel Rooms on hold for Friday, May 22 at a discounted rate of \$159/night plus taxes/fees. While last date to make reservations with the IMSA block is April 22, 2026, if the block is filled prior to that date you won't be able to reserve at discount - So do so ASAP!!!**



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2026 Senior Banquet Photo Slideshow

Senior Banquet Slideshow

Email photos to:
2026Photos@imsapac.org



Baby



Elementary



Jr High



Early High School



Family Photo



Senior Year

Senior year is flying by. Please send the first four photos as soon as possible. Senior photos can be sent at a later date.

Also, if you have pictures of events throughout the year, please send them separately and identify the students.

Thank you for your cooperation in getting this in as soon as possible. Our volunteer can't wait to get started!

DUE: MARCH 21

Junior Rep Update

March 7th 2026 Junior Rep PAC Updates

Junior Rep: Gee W. Lau (G); (Champaign) juniorrep@imsapac.org; geelau@Illinois.edu

- IMSA CAC team coordinator Melisa Williams-Rivera joined the 02/10/2026 junior parents meeting and discussed the importance of course selection for senior year to make sure all students meet graduation requirements. 52 parents attended.
- Melisa also discussed how to navigate the Naviance website for college selection. She answered a wide variety of questions posted by many parents.
- PowerPoint slides and the recording (thanks Rick!) were distributed to all parents.
- IMSA Registrar Shari Katich-Rogers will attend the March 25 (6-7 pm) Junior Parents' meeting to discuss various topics related to AP exams. Google Meet link will be sent out next week.
- FAFSA filing virtual meeting with Leo Flood is scheduled for April 22, 2026, 6-7 pm.

March 7th 2026 Transportation Committee PAC Updates

Transportation Committee

- We have 2 shuttle stop coordinators for each stop (**Route 1:** Peoria-Bloomington-Springfield-Troy; **Route 2:** Champaign-Marion).
- Gee will serve as a liaison between parents of shuttle riders and shuttle coordinators with the IMSA Administration for the remainder of the 2025-2026 academic year.
- **Route 2:** After the February 2026 extended break, the shuttle returning to IMSA was delayed for ~ 90 minutes due to an unrelated accident on I-57 between Marion and Champaign. However, all the students arrived back at IMSA on time for dinner before the cafeteria closed.
- IMSA Administration, shuttle drivers, and stop coordinators were in contact through emails, phone and text throughout the unexpected event, and all parents were informed of the delay.

Upcoming Dates

Important Dates & PAC Meeting Schedule

Saturday, March 14	Senior Banquet Tickets on sale
Mon- Sat, March 23-28	Clash Of the Halls
Wednesday, April 01	ACT for all Juniors
Sat-Sun, Apr 04-12	Spring Break - Halls reopen Apr 12 @ 3:00pm
Saturday, April 18	College Day
Saturday, April 18	PAC Meeting - In-person only at 1:00PM
Saturday, April 25	Alma Latina Family Culture Show

Questions or Comments



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