



August 2, 2016

Dear Parents and Students,

School will be starting soon and I wanted to send out some reminders before that fun date arrives. First, some parents have been wondering what students need to be ready for the Island City Academy this fall. The following is a list specific to ICA:

- Pens and pencils
- 3+ notebooks
- 3+ durable plastic folders
- 3+ glue sticks
- 6-8 rolls of double-sided tape and/or masking tape
- 2 packs of notecards
- Dress pants and shorts (khakis or black preferred - for presentations)
- Waterproof hiking boots (at least ankle high)
- Leather “work” gloves
- Clothes for being outside in any weather
(hat, gloves, rain gear, wool socks, winter boots, etc.)
- Water bottle
- Headphones or earbuds
- Sunscreen (lotion or pump preferred)
- Mosquito spray (wipes or pump preferred)
- Box of tissues to share with the class
- Backpack for field experiences (extra clothes, socks, mini tissues, etc.)



The following items are used during the year. For these items students may bring their own OR they may check out these items to use during the school year.

- *Calculator
- *Jump drive
- *Markers
- *Scissors

- *Ruler and Protractor
- *3 ring binders
- *Digital camera/SD card
- *GPS

Additional items the ICA is in need of throughout the year:

- *Boxes of tissue
- *Napkins
- *Tinfoil
- *Plastic baggies (all sizes)
- *Paper cups/bowls (no styrofoam please)

Students are responsible for all of the materials they check out to use during the school year – if the equipment is lost or damaged they will be required to pay to replace it. Students should label all personal supplies (including boots and clothing) with their name.

Students should be prepared for various weather conditions when we go outside. Light rain, cold, and snow are often conditions we deal with. If students are dressed properly, these can be great learning opportunities, but if students are not prepared, it can be miserable. A raincoat, hat, gloves, boots, and winter gear will be things your child will need. Staying dry means staying warm. Again, these items do not need to be fancy or expensive, especially since we tend to get a little dirty when we are outside.

Please remember all students committed to spend between 5-10 hours at the **Sand Lake Boat Landing** interacting with boaters coming and going from the lake in regards to the invasive plant species: Eurasian Water Milfoil. Keep in mind each person present gets to count hours for themselves and anyone else they have with them. For example two people there for two hours equals four total hours. Keep track on the DNR log sheet that was provided to you at the ice cream social event (or get a folder from the MS Office). These sheets will be turned in the first week of school to Mrs. Zip.

On **Saturday, August 27 at the Cumberland Beach** starting at 12:00 is the 4th Annual ICA Paddle Race. The details of this event are:

Long Distance Paddle Race Categories:

- Long distance single kayak
- Long distance tandem kayak
- Long distance single canoe
- Long distance tandem canoe

There will also be a Paddle Fun Race with Plaques for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

Registration forms are available at the Cumberland Middle School, Toftness Chiropractic or you can download the registration form at www.islandcityacademy.org.

Join us either by signing up to participate or by volunteering to help with the event in some way.

Also do not forget to sell your **ICA Raffle Tickets** by September 9, 2016. The money/tickets can be given to Mrs. Johnson or Mrs. Snowbank at school any time.

We will not be meeting in August previous to the start of school as originally planned. We will be taking a river trip in September though.

Lastly, please join us for an **Open House on Wednesday, August 31 from 11-7**. We will discuss and/or fill out required paperwork and answer any additional questions you may have. You will also be required to stop in the high school library to checkout your laptop. Don't forget to get your school pictures taken in the appropriate school gym.

I am looking forward to a great year and the exciting changes we talked about at the end of the school year! Enjoy the remainder of the summer.

Thank you,

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