



UPDATE FROM THE IB COORDINATOR

It has been an exciting month in the IB at LHS!

IB Seniors are completing internal assessments in all of their IB subjects and, of course, gearing up for their May exams. In just a couple of months, they will have finished their IB courses of study, and be ready to walk across the stage at convocation.

IB Juniors are well on their way in the DP. They have now had IB Theory of Knowledge for a little more than a month. This is a great course to ask them about! A group of juniors have planned an IB Retreat for freshman and sophomores on March 19th. I am looking forward to seeing their work put into action.

Our IB MYP sophomores are in the home stretch of completing their personal projects, through which they have had opportunities to model some of the characteristics of the IB Learner Profile: risk-taking, reflection, balance and inquiry. They have worked hard over the course of the year to make their personal projects a reality.

It has been wonderful seeing the IB freshman grow from August until now. The service learning work they are doing has been inspiring to read about. Students have been volunteering in aid-organizations, cleaning up our community, and working with the homeless. Their caring has contributed to making our community a better place.

I look forward to seeing all of you at our upcoming IB events. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Regards,
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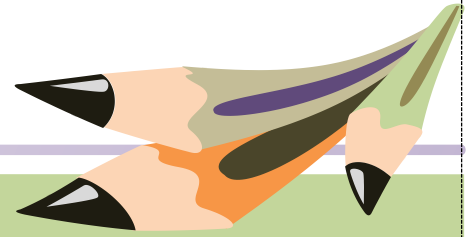
In their study of *Black Rain*, a Japanese novel by Masuji Ibuse, IB Juniors showed their understanding of characterization through the creation of Japanese scrolls and the use of kanji.

ACADEMIC CORNER

- Are you interested in scuba diving, volleyball tournaments, the color guard, or greenhouses? These are just a few of the exciting topics our IB MYP students have been working on since September for their personal projects! They'll be exhibiting their work this May, so mark your calendars for the personal project showcase.

Our IB world languages students at LHS are engaged in some exciting activities!

- IB DP French, German and Spanish students are in the midst of completing their individual oral assessments. Students have 15 minutes to prepare a 3-4 minute presentation on 1 of 2 photos. After their individual presentations, they have longer conversations with their teachers. Students have been working hard throughout their language learning careers to develop these skills!
- Many of our Spanish III students have been expanding their knowledge of technology in Latin America and comparing it to technology in the US. As IB learners, they are "engaging with issues and ideas that have local and global significance."



UPCOMING IB EVENTS

3/19/2014 – Wednesday: IB retreat for freshman and sophomores, as planned by our IB juniors, 1:00-3:00pm, LHS Library

4/9/2014 – Wednesday: IB Parent Advisory Board (PAB) Meeting, 6:30pm, LHS Library

4/30/2014 – Wednesday: IB Senior Breakfast, 7:00am
LHS Library

5/15/2014 – Thursday: IB MYP Personal Project Evening, 6:30pm, LHS Library

5/16/2014 – Friday: IB MYP and DP Picnic, 3:00pm-5:00pm, North Shore Park

5/23/2014 – Friday: IB DP Convocation and MYP Certificate Ceremony, 7:00pm, LHS Theatre

IB TRIVIA NIGHT

It seems that a large number of our IB students are involved with the production of the Music Man. Seeing as the IB Trivia Night is for IB students and their families, it would be unfortunate if a significant number of IB students and their families could not attend. Therefore, the IB PAB has decided to postpone IB Trivia Night. Look for more information in April's IB Newsletter.

ALBERTSONS CARDS

Please keep scanning those Albertsons Cards when you checkout! The funds you raise will help the IB PAB (Parent Advisory Board) support our LHS IB students!

If you need additional Albertsons Cards, please contact Charmagne, the IB Coordinator, at 613-5282 or charmagne.braden@thompsonschoools.org.

WANTED!

To the parents of IB Seniors

IB convocation (or graduation) is right around the corner and we need your help in planning this wonderful event! If you would like to get involved please attend our next PAB meeting on **Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 6:30pm in the LHS library.**

See you there!

To the Parents of IB Juniors

The PAB group is looking for a few "junior" parent and student volunteers to help with the set-up and tear-down of IB Convocation.

If you can donate a few evening hours on **Friday, May 23rd**, we'd love your help.

Contact Charmagne, the IB Coordinator, at 613-5282 or charmagne.braden@thompsonschoools.org to let her know you are interested in helping.

