

Ambassador Times

Welcome To Innovations International Charter School

Another exciting school year has begun and we are very pleased to have you with us. This year you will hear a lot from us about our Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). What exactly do we mean? How does it help our families and our students?

Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) place our students at the center of all decisions made. We move the emphasis in education from the teacher teaching to the student learning. Teachers meet weekly in teams to plan and discuss how students are doing in the classrooms. Students are then given enrichment time or additional learning help and tutoring to master the standards being covered in the classrooms. This is all very exciting as students, teachers, families, and educational teams work together to ensure all students learn and make academic progress.

Four major questions are the focus of teacher planning. They are included for you here so you will see that you are a critical part of our team.

1. What is it we want our students to know?
2. How will we know if our students are learning?
3. What will we do if our students are not learning?
4. What will we do if our students know what we are teaching already?

You will see over the course of the year, that teachers will be working hard with their students to ensure all make progress. The goal of our school is that all children learn and no one gets less than a "C". We encourage parents to ask questions, visit us at the school, and help their children with homework/classwork/studying for tests each night. Please take the time to speak with the teacher and check your child's backpack as well. Many things are sent home weekly to help our parents stay informed. Thank you for your help!



9/5/16 Labor Day -
No School

9/7/16 Family Literacy
Night at Oakey for K-5
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

9/8/16 & 9/9/16 School
Pictures

9/10/16 Saturday
School at Oakey K-5
9:00 a.m. to noon

9/13/16 Family Math
Night at Oakey for K - 5
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

9/17/16 Saturday
School K - 5 at Oakey &
6 - 12 at City Impact
9:00 a.m. to noon

9/22/16 Family
Technology Night at
Oakey 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

9/24/16 Family Field Trip
to Discover Museum
Buses leave school at
9:15 a.m. and return by
1:30 p.m.

9/26/16 Family
Engagement Night at
Oakey K-12 6:00 - 8:00
p.m.

9/28/16 Family English
Night at Oakey K-5
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

9/29/16 & 9/30/16 K - 12
Parent Teacher
Conferences Students
dismissed at noon

IICSN Is A Title I School



Innovations International is a fully accredited K - 12 charter school. This means that we work with AdvancED to conduct an on-site external review to ensure that all of our students receive education from highly qualified educators in order to help them learn and grow. This organization helps the school to focus on student learning while assisting us to make improvements that benefit our students.

With the accreditation process, Innovations continues to provide a quality school environment that aligns with accountability, student progress, continued professional development for teachers and staff, and open communication/partnerships with community agencies to help meet the needs of our students and families.

We are very pleased to have you see that your student's education is very important to us. Thank you for being a valuable member of our learning community.

Title I is a federally funded academic assistance program for schools. The goal of Title I is to ensure a high quality, well-rounded education for every child. Title I ensures that schools measure student progress using approved testing, provides students with progress reports to allow parents to learn how their child is performing according to grade-level standards, and sets high expectations for academic achievement. Title I also ensures schools issue reports charting school performance, provides school report cards to inform parents of how well their child's school is performing, and requires yearly testing for students in grades 3 - 12. Finally, Title I provides teacher training and professional development to improve instruction, provides information on the qualifications of their child's teacher, and provides highly qualified teachers who use proven teaching methods.

For the 2016 - 2017 school year, the following funding has been provided through Title I for Innovations.

\$178,600.00 for the elementary school

\$42,500.00 for the middle and high school

Please contact Ms. Laurie at the school to see how the money is being spent if you missed the five (5) meetings held in July and August. Thank you.

Traits of Highly Successful Students:

1. Responsibility - they do all of their assignments and are accountable for their behavior each day.
2. Motivation - they have a willingness to do their best at all times
3. Self-control - they do something even when they do not feel like it or not doing something they know should not be done
4. Punctuality - they are on time for school and they hand their assignments in on time each day
5. Attentiveness - they pay attention in class at all times
6. Enthusiasm - they remain positive about their learning at all times
7. Orderliness - they keep their desks, backpacks, and themselves organized at all times
8. Dependability - they are trustworthy and do what they say they will do at all times
9. Perseverance - they continue to work on something even if it is hard - they don't give up
10. Diligence - they are careful and take pride in all they do