



# IHS NEWS



## Home of the Highlanders

Washoe County School District  
Incline High School  
499 Village Blvd., Incline Village, NV 89451

Vol. 15, Issue 3  
March, 2010  
Published Quarterly  
Marilyn McLochlin, Editor



### Principal's

### Message

by John Clark

Each year in March, it is my pleasure to announce the valedictorian and salutatorian of the upcoming graduating class. These honored graduates are chosen on the basis of their weighted grade point average at the completion of seven semesters of high school. Honors and advanced placement classes receive an extra "weight" because of their rigor. I am pleased, therefore, to inform everyone that our **valedictorian for the graduation class of 2010 is Shanna Murray**. Next in line and closely behind is our salutatorian. Our **salutatorian for the class of 2010 is Sean McClelland**. Congratulations to both these students and we look forward to hearing from them at graduation.

I would also like to mention that the class of 2010 has produced several students who have **maintained a perfect 4.0 or all A average** for their four years of high school. These students are: **Michael Ceragioli, Josh Dykstra, Sean McClelland, Shanna Murray, and Max Wynne**. Congratulations also to these students. Of special note, too, is that our four seniors who were named semifinalists in the **2010 National Merit Scholarship** competition in the fall have now advanced to the finalist ranking! Those seniors are: **Michael Ceragioli, Sean McClelland, Shanna Murray, and Sterling Vinson**. In academics also, the Boys Varsity Basketball team won the prestigious **Academic State Champion** award for having the highest grade point average of all the winter sports boy athletes in the state of Nevada.

We are very proud of our **We The People** team which captured the Nevada state title at recent competition in Carson City and will now represent Nevada at the national competition in Washington D.C. next month. Good luck at nationals!

In sports, **Incline High School has garnered 13 Nevada state titles** in team or individual competition since the beginning of the 2009-2010 school year. This is quite an impressive feat for our little school. Congratulations to all coaches and athletes for these wonderful accomplishments.

*(Continued on page 3, top)*

### Notes from the Assistant Principal

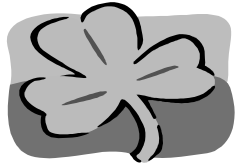
by Kevin Taylor

The end of the school year is rapidly approaching. Therefore, keep in mind as June rapidly descends upon us that there are numerous exams, projects and other activities that lie ahead. For instance, we have state mandated High School Proficiency Exams for any student who has not yet passed those tests on May 3-5. Keep in mind, in order for any student to graduate from any high school in the state of Nevada; he/she must pass all portions of the High School Proficiency Examination.

Also, quickly approaching are Advanced Placement exams which take place May 3-14, 2010, finals June 14-16, 2010, prom, musical, graduation as well as numerous sporting events. With such a busy schedule, please discuss with your child the importance of staying caught up and organized.

We are already at the midway point of the spring semester and planning for next year is already in

*(Continued on page 3 bottom)*



# "We The People" AP Government Class

by Milt Hyams

## Important Dates

- 3/24 Cadet Formal Inspection
- 3/30 IHS Accreditation
- 4/20 Early Release Day
- 4/30-5/1 Star Follies
- 4/12-16 Spring Break
- 4/10 Last day to withdraw from 2nd semester classes
- 5/3- 5/14 AP Testing
- 5/7 Prom @ Chateau
- 5/31 Memorial Day  
No School
- 5/26 Spring Concert



### **Incline High School's AP Government Class qualifies for "We the People" National Finals at the end of April !**

On February 6, 2010, at the Nevada State Legislative Building in Carson City, Incline Village High School won the Nevada State *We the People...the Citizen and the Constitution* competition. Seventeen seniors from Incline High School will compete in the national event in Washington, D.C., demonstrating their knowledge of American government and constitutionalism. There will be 1500 students representing all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and other U.S. territories participating in this prestigious event.

The *We the People...the Citizen and the Constitution* is a civics curriculum designed to promote civic competence and responsibility among the nation's students. During the competition in the nation's Capitol, the students will demonstrate their knowledge and understanding of constitutional principles in a simulated Congressional Hearing, judged by members of government and legal community from around the nation. The Incline students won the district competition and decisively won the state level winning five of six units; our students are committed to finish in the Top 10 teams in the nation, a feat only accomplished once by a Nevada team in the twenty three year history of this event.

I would like to extend a very sincere thank you to all that have supported us over the past year---our class appreciates it! This truly is a school and community effort.

In addition, I would like to recognize those students who are the 2010 Nevada State "We the People" Champions. Congratulations! You are a talented and hard working group of constitutional scholars!

**Unit I:** What are the philosophical and historical foundations of the American Political System?

- Ryan Lee
- Erika Wegener
- Max Wynne

**Unit II:** How did the Framers create the Constitution?

- Bo Baker
- Annamarie Marziliano
- Sterling Vinson

**Unit III:** How has the Constitution been changed to further the ideals contained in the Declaration of Independence?

- Sean McClelland\*
- Shanna Murray
- Sarah Scott

**Unit IV:** How have the values and principles embodied in the Constitution shaped American institutions and practices?

- Erin Canino
- Josh Dykstra
- Sean McClelland\*

**Unit V:** What rights does the Bill of Rights protect?

- Michael Ceragioli
- Jimmy Sagan
- Sasha Severance

(Continued on page 3)

*(We the People, continued from page 2)*

**Unit VI:** What challenges might face American Constitutional Democracy in the twenty-first century?

**Conor Bujeaux**  
**Lawrence Jolley**  
**Michaela Tonking**

\*indicates student participating in 2 units

*(Principal's Message, continued from page 1)*

Special kudos go to Boys Varsity Basketball Coach and Athletic Director **Dan Schreiber** for being named **Athletic Director of the Year** and **Coach of the Year!** You can read all the sports news in the sports section of this newsletter.

# Congratulations

to:

Shanna Murray

Valedictorian

and

Sean McClelland

Salutatorian

Class of 2010



*(Asst. Principal's message, continued from page 1)*

the works. On March 25, 2010 we will be hosting 8<sup>th</sup> pre-registration at the middle school, while high school students will be provided information regarding pre-registration for next school year by their enrichment teacher. The information your son or daughter will receive is meant to help with course selections for next school year to chart the necessary courses of study prepare all for college or career readiness. This is an excellent opportunity for parents to assist and discuss with their child future plans and how the courses he/she selects for next year will prepare them. The final phase of selecting classes for next year is the annual arena scheduling. Arena scheduling gives students the opportunity to meet with teachers and pick classes for next year.

On a final note, we are always available to assist you. Therefore, if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child's education please do not hesitate to phone the school @ 832-4260.

## Leadership Update

by Aaron Parsons

The leadership class is working hard this spring. Prom committee and the junior class are busy organizing the Prom which will take place at The Chateau on May 7<sup>th</sup> from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. The theme this year is Red Carpet based and will feature attractions like an Elvis impersonator and Hollywood themed decorations. The leadership class is also planning a Haiti Relief awareness assembly for a school wide education project with the American Red Cross chapter in town, as well as a town-wide education and fundraiser. The class is working towards setting dates for these events and is committed to doing everything that they can to help Haiti. There is also a UBS Blood Drive coming up soon that is being organized by a small committee of leadership students. The blood drive will take place in the small gym at IHS on Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>.

At this point in the school year the senior class is looking forward to graduation and is planning their graduation night, senior trip, baccalaureate event and many other things to seal off an excellent high school career. The leadership class also has a couple of events to attend, including two leadership conferences. One is at The Eldorado in Reno, which is organized by Wooster High School and the other is the NASC State Leadership Conference at Spring Creek High School. Leadership is planning many of these events and attending these conferences in order to work towards yet another Silver Star Award, a prestigious Nevada state award for leadership classes that meet certain requirements. The leadership class has had a great year and continues to work hard towards coordinating more helpful programs and fun events for Incline High School, as well as the whole town.

# *Athletic Director's Sports Round-Up*

by Dan Schreiber and Lauren Wilson



Once again our winter sports teams had outstanding success due to hard working, committed athletes. Many of our teams went on to regional tournaments and some to the state level.

The **Nordic Ski Team** was small, but powerful. Led by **Melanie Swick**, strong teammates included **Arjun Singh, Madison Kwasny, Julie Faulk, Ryan Collins, and Ashley Vomund**. They finished up their season with a **state champion: Melanie Swick**, and a 1<sup>st</sup> place award as a team in the open division.

The **Alpine Ski Team** had a successful year as well; led by **Coach Joe Humasti**, the team included talented athletes such as **Grace Dolan, Alexander Fulton, Kelsey Higgins, Davis Bedient, and Sam Canino**. They had skiers qualify for the state race and completed the season with a **state champion: Grace Dolan**.

The **Wrestling Team** had a strong finish as usual, making it to the state tournament with nine qualifiers. They had a very exciting season to watch and showed strength and composure throughout. Some wrestlers to keep an eye on for next season include **Cody Feliciano, Michael Wegener, Tommy Annesse, Moises Navarro, Jesus Hernandez, and Travis Causey**. A few wrestlers that will definitely be missed next year include seniors, **Jordan Cronin, Logan Cohen, Enrique Parra, Alfredo Parra, and Kevin Flanders**, all of whom made contributions this season. In the **state tournament** there were three state champions: **Jordan Cronin, Cody Feliciano, and Jesus Hernandez**, there were also three 4<sup>th</sup> place finishes including **Michael Wegener, Moises Navarro, and Travis Causey**.

**Girls' basketball** had successful seasons, both for the JV team and the Varsity team. The JV team started with quite a few inexperienced players but by the end of the season had made great strides. Led by **Coach Adam Wilson** the team finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Some players to look out for next season include **Alexis Smith, Amy Lindsey, Elena Thurman, and Celene and Celeste Galindo**. The varsity team had an exciting season as well, with games going into overtime that included some great wins. The team went into the regional tournament as the third seed and unfortunately suffered a disappointing loss in the first round. The varsity team says good-bye to many seniors who have played hard and have been committed to the basketball program, they include: **Sasha Severance, Lauren Wilson, Kelli Cherry, Katie Wright, Shanna Murray, and Izzy Sanchez**. The leaders of the varsity team next year will include **Nikki Riva, Tori McCunn, Tori O'Connor, and Emily Hanna**. Both teams should be proud of what they accomplished.

**Boys' basketball** teams both had outstanding seasons. The JV team was packed with talent and played hard all season. They had an exciting season that drew many fans. Led by **Coach Micha Corneil**, the boys finished tied for 1<sup>st</sup> place. Next year's returners include **Jordan Wright, Spencer Wilson, Kyle Clouthier, and Chip Bouchard**. The varsity team achieved every athlete's ultimate goal, the **state title**. After having played teams that weren't as talented all year, the boys kept working hard and it paid off in the state tournament when they beat Lincoln High School from the south to take the **state championship** 71-64. The boys' team was also packed with senior athletes including **Michael Ceregioli, Sam Witt, Micha Corneil, Josh Dykstra,**

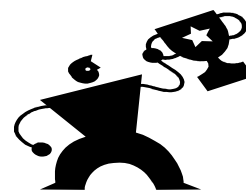
**Rhett Davis, Ryan Lee and Jason Hillman.** Congratulations guys!

Lastly, our **rifle team** had a fun and exciting season. Led by **Coach Larry Porter**, they worked hard and were successful throughout the season. Their three leading marksmen include **Gina Tarantino, Jordan Jones, and Jessica Floam**. Other team members included **Mariah Hartley, Katiya Resney, Matthew Davis, Graham Reddall, Cassidy Garland, and Kayla Franklin**.

Congratulations to all winter sports teams and the great success you achieved! We also want to thank all the people that make these sporting events possible: parents, score keepers, bus drivers, coaches, score clock keepers, chain gangs, janitors, and administration. Without all of these dedicated people, the athletics program would not be the successful program that it is.



To  
*Dan Schreiber*  
For being selected as  
*State of Nevada*  
*Coach of the Year*  
And  
*Athletic Director of the Year!*



# Art Department News

by Ann Clark

## March is Youth Art Month!

Youth Art Month intends to honor the art of our youth. Its mission is to promote art programs and art in education. This year's theme throughout the U.S. is: "**Art Shapes the World**". In Nevada, students all over the state are creating artworks in the shape of our great state—following the theme: "**Art Shapes Nevada!**" Find our students' art at our local library and at our post office.

## Congratulations to this year's Scholastic Art Award winners!!

The Scholastic Art Awards is a prestigious national art competition sponsored by the Alliance for Young Artists & Writers. Students compete statewide and Gold Key winning art is sent on to compete nationally. The following Incline High School artists earned awards in a variety of mediums.

This year there were over 1,100 submissions from Northern Nevada. Work is judged in two groups: grades 7 and 8 are judged together and grades 9 – 12 are judged together. Jurors are looking for three things in a piece or body of work:

1. ORIGINALITY
2. TECHNICAL SKILL
- EMERGENCE OF A PERSONAL STYLE OR VISION

**Gold key** award for her Art Portfolio: Savannah Gossler! Her portfolio will now be sent on to National Competition!

**Gold keys** for 2 separate individual art works: Savannah Gossler! These pieces will also compete nationally!

**Silver key** awards for Art Portfolios: Sharon Gollery and Jordan Cronin

**Silver keys** for individual art works were awarded to Christian Joudon, Gina Tarantino (3 individual pieces), and Kelly Young.

## EXHIBITION: Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Gold Key winning works will be exhibited at the **Nevada Museum of Art** in Reno. (Silver Key winning works will be shown digitally.)



## *National Honor Society Induction Ceremony*

by Janette Holman

Incline High School's annual induction ceremony for the Incline Chapter of the National Honor Society will be held on Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>, at 5:30 in the cafeteria. To be eligible for membership consideration, students must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 weighted, plus 3 honors courses. Additionally, potential members must meet high standards of leadership, service, and character. Members of the 2010 – 2012 classes were evaluated by the Faculty Council.

Leadership is based on the student's participation in two or more community or school activities, or election to an office. To meet the service requirement, the student must have been active in three or more service projects in the school and community. Character is measured in terms of integrity, behavior, ethics, and cooperation with both students and faculty.

Students are screened by a Faculty Council consisting of six members. This year 36 students are being considered for membership.

# News from the Career Center

by Marilyn McLochlin

## TMCC Accuplacer Test

IHS seniors considering applying to TMCC had the opportunity of taking their placement test here at IHS this month. Over 20 students took advantage of the on-site test administration in the library and were given their scores immediately. This test may be retaken to improve scores, however, students will need to visit TMCC campus in order to do so.

## Groundhog's Day Job Shadowing

IHS students once again took part in the National Groundhog Job Shadow Day event that took place on February 2. Students had the opportunity to "shadow" managers at a variety of IVGID locations to learn first hand what it is like to do their job in the "real world" of work. It was also a fantastic way for students to learn the relevance of their high school education and how it is preparing them for the future. Students appreciated IVGID managers taking time out of their day for this event.

## IHS Scholarship

Fifty seniors completed IHS scholarship applications. By completing this process, those students will now be eligible for scholarships that have been generously provided local organizations and individuals. Last year approximately \$302,000 in funding was awarded to deserving applicants; we are most grateful to those scholarship donors for their contributions. We are also want to thank **Wayne McClelland** for simplifying the application itself and making it internet accessible for seniors.

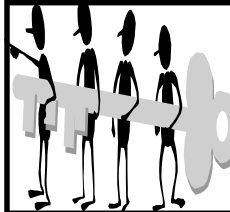
As always, students are welcome and encouraged to use the software in the Career Center to research colleges, scholarships, and financial aid.

# Booster's Update

by Karen Johnson

Thank you to all who attended, volunteered, donated and sponsored the 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Crab Feed in February. The event was a success, raising over \$35,000 toward high school programs. I especially want to thank: **Tom & Tanya Canino** for running the kitchen, **John Paganelli** for cooking his very special pasta sauce, **Gary Lee & crew** for handling the bar, **Nancy Porten, Linda Tokunaga & Mary Fenelon** for working on the auction donations, **Denise Hooker** for overseeing the lovely tables set-up and supplies procurement, **Jennifer Lee & Cindy McClelland** for baking dessert, Aaron Parsons & the Senior Class for serving, **Ann Clark & the teacher volunteers** for selling raffle and drink tickets, **Madonna Dunbar (WasteNot) & Katy Washington (Americorps)** for "greening" our event, **Kathy Long** for handling ticket sales, **Mike Smith** for creating the program, **Maura Steinmeyer** for handling the raffle, JROTC and **Taylor Smith** for helping with opening ceremonies, and **Heidi Breider** for being the Crab Feed Chair Guru. Thank you for all the hard work and making this another great event.

Please join us for the last three monthly meetings of the year March 17<sup>th</sup>, April 21<sup>st</sup> and May 19<sup>th</sup>. There are board positions open for the 2010-2011 school year so please come and volunteer your time to a worthy cause.



# Counselor's Corner

by Faith Nicole

## *JUNIOR INTERVIEWS*

The school counselor will be meeting with juniors to review their graduation status, discuss their senior schedule of classes, and post-high school plans, including college entrance testing. **All college bound students should have taken the SAT and/or ACT exams by the end of their junior year.** For more information, check out the 2009-2010 Junior/Senior Test Data sheet available on Edline/school website or visit [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) and [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org).

## *ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) EXAMS*

Students will be challenged when they take the **Advanced Placement Exams May 3 through May 14**. Students who score 3 or better (on a scale of 1-5) are usually awarded credit or waivers when they get to college. Some students may even be eligible for sophomore standing immediately upon entering college. Students who score well on three or more exams in their high school career may also be eligible for recognition as AP Scholars. Results are usually released in late July. Students can have their scores reported directly to the schools of their choice. Students are required to pay **\$86** per exam.

## *2009-2010 INCLINE HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM*

The I.H.S. Scholarship Committee and various sponsor committees are reviewing applications in consideration of the scholarship monies available. Each scholarship is unique. Awards and scholarship selections are revealed during the **Senior Awards and Scholarship Night** to be held **Wednesday, June 16**, beginning at **5:30 p.m.**, in the gym.

**SPECIAL NOTE TO PARENTS OF GRADUATING SENIORS:** If your senior is receiving a scholarship from a college or university or organization outside the I.H.S. Scholarship Program and you want the award honored during the awards ceremony, please make sure you notify Faith Nicole by emailing her at [fnicole@washoe.k12.nv.us](mailto:fnicole@washoe.k12.nv.us) by **Monday, May 17, 2010**.

## *DRIVER'S EDUCATION at INCLINE*

**All students between the ages of 15 and 18 must complete 30 hours** in a Drivers Education Class to qualify for a Nevada Driver's license. This class meets all state requirements. You must attend all meetings to receive your certification. This class does not include behind the wheel instruction. **These classes fill up quickly or need a minimum number of students to avoid cancellation so sign up now.** The fee for this class is **\$90**. If you cancel at least 5 business days before the start of the class, a refund minus a \$10 service fee will be issued. **Call Community Education at 353-5781** or go to [www.washoe.k12.nv.us/community\\_ed](http://www.washoe.k12.nv.us/community_ed) and click on **2010 Drivers' Education Classes** for more information or to register with a Visa or MasterCard. **A summer class is scheduled to be held in Incline June 21-24, 2010.**

## *ON-LINE REGISTRATION*

Students register for Supplemental Credit offerings (i.e., **summer school**, Credit-by-Exams (CBEs), correspondence, PE Option, Supervised Curriculum PE (SCPE), Travel Study, WOLF Part-Time, Work Experience) ON-LINE at [www.washoe.k12.nv.us/suppcredit](http://www.washoe.k12.nv.us/suppcredit). Students still need to consult

(Continued on page 8)



## JROTC UPDATE

by  
Public Relations Officer, Cadet Major Tommy Mancuso

During the past months, the Highlander Battalion has been participating in many various events. These events have helped cadets build a stronger sense of leadership and teamwork. From 2 – 5, and 12 - 20 November 2009, the Highlander Battalion participated with Project MANA during the annual Service Learning Project, where cadets aided Project MANA volunteers with sorting the donated non-perishable food items, as well as learning about budget management systems. The week before school let out for the Thanksgiving holiday break, the annual Turkey Shoot took place in the J.R.O.T.C. Rifle Range. Students, cadets and teachers shot Air Rifles at a target and competed for one of three grand prize turkeys. This year's winners are: **Celene Galindo, Franky Andrade** and **Mr. Darin Manning**.

After cadets returned from Thanksgiving break, it was back into full swing of preparations for the Annual Military Ball which was held on 4 December 2009 at the Reno/Sparks Convention Center. Students attended in military grade formal attire; males wore their Class A uniform and females had the choice to attend in their Class A uniform or a formal gown. During the Prom-like ceremonies, all eleven Washoe County School District J.R.O.T.C. programs that attended nominated a Queen, King, Prince and Princess from their school. The royalty for the Highlander Battalion included Cadet Major **Samantha Conragan** acting as Queen and Cadet Major **Franky Andrade** as King; both cadets are 4<sup>th</sup> year J.R.O.T.C. (LET III) cadets and Seniors at Incline High School. The Highlander Battalion also had the honor of winning the trophy for Best Decorated Table competition, thanks to **Carol Juarez's** brilliant craftsmanship.

On December 14<sup>th</sup>, marked the beginning of Cadet Challenge. This is the J.R.O.T.C.'s version of the Presidential Fitness Test. This challenge continued through December 18<sup>th</sup> and included the 1 Mile Run, V-Sit, Shuttle Run, Pull-Up's, Push-Up's, Sit-Up's and Bent Arm Hang. Students will be awarded metals for the top three scores in all events. On January 30<sup>th</sup>, the Highlander Battalion Drill Team Competed in the IHS Talent Show doing Exhibition Drill with Rifles. February 3, 2010, selected cadets and students attended the IVGID Job Shadowing day. On February 6<sup>th</sup>, cadets and students volunteered for the Annual Booster Crab Feed Fundraiser. The top scholars in the Highlander battalion from each LET level were chosen to participate in the Academic Challenge (NVHS) on February 13<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> depending on weather.

February 20<sup>th</sup>, the Highlander Battalion sent the Drill Team, as well as the Battalion's top Guidon and Company to compete against all other WCSD J.R.O.T.C. Programs. **Alecia Dumonte** was the Battalion Guidon and Cadet Captain **Jackie Andrade** commanded Foxtrot Company in the Drill Meet.

More currently, each company has participated in Company Drill which also prepares cadets for the upcoming CFI. The Battalion has also been intensely preparing for the upcoming Cadet Formal Inspection which will take place on March 24<sup>th</sup> beginning at 8:00am. The following day is the Battalion

Olympics at IHS. Brigade Olympics is the next event to follow; they will be held at Hug High School in Reno on April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2010. April 19<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup> is the annual Pre-camp Challenge, and all companies will compete against each other.

April 22<sup>nd</sup> marks the Highlander Battalion Commander selection Board for the Battalion Commander for the 2010 -2011 school year. From April 26 through May 1, 15 Cadets will attend Junior ROTC Cadet Leadership Camp at Camp Parks, CA. May 15<sup>th</sup> is the Damonte High School Orienteering meet in Reno. May 17<sup>th</sup> is the Highlander Battalion Awards Ceremony, where cadets will be awarded various awards from school to national level.

The Highlander Battalion will be participating in these events and more as the school year progress'. We invite you to attend the Cadet Formal Inspection and Awards Ceremony to support our hard working cadets and root for them on their quest for victory.

## Accreditation Update

by Kari Michael

After a year and half of collaboration between teachers, students, and community members; the accreditation process is near completion. A visiting team composed of active and retired teachers and principals will be coming to Incline High School on Tuesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>. They will review the final document, meet with staff, students, and community members, and make a final determination for accreditation. Thank you to everyone who took part in this experience!

*(Please see Accreditation info on page 5 of this newsletter.)*

(Counselor's, continued from page 6)

with their counselor first.

## SUMMER SCHOOL AT INCLINE

To sign up for Summer School and for the most current course offerings, go to the Supplemental Credit Website at [www.washoe.k12.nv.us/suppcredit](http://www.washoe.k12.nv.us/suppcredit). Please note that Summer School sites and courses are subject to change. The fee for high school courses is \$100 for each .5 credit. Summer school is conducted Monday through Friday. **Session I** will be held June 21 to July 9, from 7:30 a.m. to 11:47 a.m. **Session II** will be held July 12 to July 30, from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. No classes held on July 5. Incline will offer English 1-8, World History 1-2, US History 1-2, American Gov't 1-2, and Plato.

Enrollment dates:

- **Current** seniors and juniors **ONLY** - begin April 5
- Current sophomores and freshmen - begin April 19
- Graduating 8th graders - begin April 26

For more information, visit [www.washoe.k12.nv.us/suppcredit](http://www.washoe.k12.nv.us/suppcredit).

**For more Counseling Department news, visit the Counseling Center on Edline's homepage or the school website at [www.inclinehs.org](http://www.inclinehs.org).**



## I.B. Update

by Joni Cross

### International Baccalaureate Is Coming to Incline!

Incline High School is a candidate school for the International Baccalaureate Diploma Program and as such is pursuing authorization as an IB World School. IB World Schools that share a common philosophy—a commitment to high quality, challenging, international education that Incline Village Schools believe is important for our students.

IB students relate first to their own national identity – their own language, literature, history, and cultural heritage, and then strive to understand the corresponding traditions of others. “Through comprehensive and balanced curricula coupled with challenging assessments, the International Baccalaureate Organization aims to assist schools in their endeavors to develop the individual talents of young people and teach them to relate the experience of the classroom to the realities of the world outside.”

The Diploma Program (DP) is a comprehensive and rigorous curriculum in the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grades designed to prepare students for a quality university education. The primary objective is to provide students with a balanced, integrated curriculum in all academic areas. IB students can earn college credit by taking examinations at the end of their junior or senior year. Students who excel in the program demonstrate a strong commitment to learning and develop the discipline necessary to succeed in college. The student who elects this course of study is responsible for the commitment made to its rigors and to personal accountability and self-sufficiency. Students will be provided with academic, social and leadership experiences that will prepare them to compete with any student from any program in the world. Students interested in this program should be highly motivated and will-

ing to work beyond the minimum requirements of the Washoe County School District. Advanced Placement classes will still be offered, and many times in harmony with the new IB curriculum.

To help our students prepare for the Diploma Program, WCSD is beginning the implementation of IB in both Incline Elementary and Middle Schools, striving to offer the only K-12 IB continuum in Nevada. The District has appointed a Project Director, Serena Robb, to oversee this stage of the K-12 implementation. Ms. Robb is the former principal of Wooster High School and was the administrator who first brought IB to Washoe County. Wooster is currently the only school in Northern Nevada to offer an IB program.

The Primary and Middle Years Programs will use our current standards and add to them, with requirements such as PE and the arts in elementary, technology (innovation) and the arts in middle school, and learning two languages for all students beginning by the age of seven.

Authorization of the three programs is expected by 2012, but elements of IB will begin next fall at all schools. Thirty-one of our wonderful teachers have been trained at 34 conferences and more training is planned for summer 2010. Become involved and remain informed. Look for announcements regarding up-coming IB community seminars in the Bonanza and school flyers.

For more information about the Diploma Program, contact John Clark [jclark@washoe.k12.nv.us](mailto:jclark@washoe.k12.nv.us), Kevin Taylor [ktaylor@washoe.k12.nv.us](mailto:ktaylor@washoe.k12.nv.us) or Joni Cross (Coordinator Designate) [jcross@washoe.k12.nv.us](mailto:jcross@washoe.k12.nv.us). Sharon Kennedy at IMS [smkenedy@washoe.k12.nv.us](mailto:smkenedy@washoe.k12.nv.us) and Kathleen Watty [kwatty@washoe.k12.nv.us](mailto:kwatty@washoe.k12.nv.us) at IES can answer questions regarding the Middle and Primary Years Programs respectively.

Washoe Co. School District  
Incline High School  
P.O. Box 30452  
Reno, NV 89520-3425

Non-Profit Org.  
US Postage Paid  
Permit #217  
Reno, NV, 89520



### *Incline Star Follies '10*

*The curtain will rise on Friday, April 30 and Saturday, May 1, for the tenth production of the Incline Star Follies. This lip-synching show features Incline teachers, administrators and community members and has raised more than \$500,000 for the benefit of students and staff of JES, JMS and JHS.*

*The event will take place in the Frank Sinatra Showroom at the Cal-Neva. Showtime's for Friday and Saturday are 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Tickets are available at The Potlatch, on the Follies website at [www.inclinstarfollies.org](http://www.inclinstarfollies.org), or by calling 831-7469. Buy your ticket early, as this is usually a sold-out event!*