

# ILLIANA CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL: FAMILY NEWSLETTER

*Illiana Christian High School is founded on the Bible as interpreted in the Reformed creeds. We graduate academically capable young people with a comprehensive Christian view of life committed to the challenge of serving God and others.*

## DECEMBER 2011

**TUITION INFO:** The Athletic Trainer Fee of \$30.00 for winter sports has been added to tuition. Also, the 2011-12 yearbook charge of \$55.00 has been added to your statement if your student ordered one by filling out an order form. If it is not on your statement and you want to order a yearbook, please contact Cheryl Schaap (ext. 12) in the school office.

**CHRISTMAS BREAK:** The last day of school before Christmas break is Wednesday, December 21 and will be a full day. Classes will resume on Wednesday, January 4, 2012. During Christmas break the school office will be closed Friday, December 23 and Monday, December 26 and Friday, December 30 and Monday, January 2, 2012.

**FINANCIAL AID NIGHT:** A financial aid night will be held at Illiana in the auditorium on Tuesday, January 10 at 7:00 p.m. A college representative will walk through the F.A.F.S.A. form (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Parents are encouraged to attend, especially parents of juniors and seniors!

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY** is on Monday, January 16, 2012 and there will be no school on that day.

**HOMECOMING ALUMNI PEP BAND:** Attention all Pep Band alumni – join our current Pep Band at Homecoming night on February 3. If interested, contact the school office at 708-474-0515 and give your name, address, and the instrument you will be playing. Let us know by January 6, so we can send you the music to practice. You do not have to attend any practices.

**ACT TEST PREP:** In preparation for the ACT test given here on April 14, 2012 there are two options for test preparation. Illiana offers a four-night prep class by four of our teachers on March 21, 26, 28, and April 12. The cost is \$45 and sign-up and payments must be done in the office. Also, there is an 8-night prep program given by an independent company called Excel Edge. This cost is \$235 and will be on January 23 and 30, Feb. 6, 13, 27, and March 3, 12, 19. The deadline to sign up for the Excel Edge is December 17. Both programs will be completed before April 14 - the test date here at Illiana.

**EMERGENCY CLOSINGS:** You can access the EMERGENCY CLOSING CENTER through Illiana's website: [www.illianachristian.org](http://www.illianachristian.org). Select Closings and a list of closings will be shown. At the bottom of this list you may click on - terms of use to find options to do status search or sign up for email notification. In Status Search use the following and click submit: Facility Name: Illiana Christian / City: Lansing. You can also go to [www.emergencyclosings.com](http://www.emergencyclosings.com).

**T.R.I.P.** has their new calendar enclosed with this mailing. Orders must be in the office by 1:00 p.m. and **no** late orders or changes will be accepted after that time. Remember to check the TRIP section under the Illiana website throughout the year.

### **FIRST SEMESTER EXAM SCHEDULE:**

#### Wednesday, January 11

7:45 - 8:15 Study Period 1  
8:20 - 9:50 Period 1 Exam  
9:50 - 10:05 Break  
10:10- 10:40 Study Period 2  
10:45- 12:15 Period 2 Exam

#### Thursday, January 12

7:45 - 8:15 Study Period 3  
8:20 - 9:50 Period 3 Exam  
9:50 - 10:05 Break  
10:10-10:40 Study Period 4  
10:45-12:15 Period 4 Exam  
12:20-12:40 Lunch A  
12:45- 1:15 Study Period 5  
12:20-12:50 Study Period 5  
12:55- 1:15 Lunch B  
1:20 – 2:50 Period 5 Exam

#### Friday, January 13

7:45 –8:15 Study Period 6  
8:20 – 9:50 Period 6 Exam  
9:50 – 10:05 Break  
10:10 – 10:40 Study Period 7  
10:45 – 12:15 Period 7 Exam

Students must attend all study sessions and all exams with only the following exceptions: (1) If you have a study hall or (2) if you are vouching out of an exam, you do not need to attend that exam period or the study session preceding it.

Study sessions and exam sessions will meet for the entire time allotted. Students not scheduled to be in a study session or exam because of the exceptions above must be either off campus or in the library during those times. Also, the above exceptions would be the only legitimate reason for being off campus between the starting and ending times of each day.

The intent of the study sessions is to give students one more opportunity to make sure they are well prepared for an exam. Study sessions will be held in the same room and with the same teacher as the following exam. Students should bring study materials. These are study sessions, not review sessions, which means that students will have this time to prepare themselves for exams, not to have the teacher prepare them.

**A CHRISTMAS WISH:** *We at Illiana Christian High School want to wish all our Illiana families a very Merry Christmas! It is a wonder and a blessing to be able to celebrate Christmas with joy, conviction, awe, delight, praise and gratitude. The Messiah is born! Alleluia!*