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Dear ICHS Parents;

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL BILL WALLACE

The new school year is right around the corner! We hope the students have enjoyed their summer break and were able to take advantage of the opportunities only summertime has to offer. We have been very busy here at school this summer working to create the foundations for another great school year.

We have had many successes this past school year including raising our attendance rate, test scores, fewer discipline referrals, new highs in the fine arts, agricultural and athletic championships (back to back county champs & 4 sectional titles in a row for baseball!). Our students were not the only ones doing great things last year. As a school we added new School Resource Officers and hosted a National Association of School Resource Officers training to enhance the safety and security of our students. Our agricultural department partnered with local businesses and farmers and is now ready to launch the Creek Cattle Company, one of only a few farm-to-school programs in the entire state. These are only a few of the items highlighting the many successes of the last year.

As we look to begin another school year in just a few short weeks, we are always looking to improve and be the very best school for our community. To that end, one of our goals this year is to deepen and enrich our communication between the classroom and home. For this reason, we have changed our normal back to school night structure.

As we always have, we would like to invite all parents and students to our **Back-To-School Night on July 31st from 6:00-7:00.** This year it is important that you arrive a little before 6:00 so we can get you to your student's IRP classroom. From 6:00 to 6:15 you will be in your student's IRP classroom and receiving some valuable information on how to stay connected to your student's classrooms via Canvas and Infinite Campus. These two programs are very valuable not only because it will allow you to check grades, but will also allow you to know lesson plans, classroom routines, and expectations in each class your student is enrolled in. We have done quite a bit of work in overhauling how we utilize Canvas to assist in opening the communication lines between teachers, parents, and students. We look forward to sharing this information with you. You will also receive your student's schedule during this time. The rest of the evening, 6:15-7:00, will be our more typical open house format where you and your student will be able to walk around the building and meet their teachers.

We know to succeed in our mission of *Empowering* students with the *Knowledge*, *Responsibility*, and *Perseverance* needed to achieve *Excellence* in life, we need a strong partnership between school and home. Through strengthening the connection between our talented and dedicated teachers with our equally dedicated parents, we hope to provide our students with the brightest future possible.

Thank you for reading this letter and we hope to see you on July 31st for Back-To-School Night as we lay the foundations for a great school year.

Sincerely

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