



IMMACULATE HEART CENTRAL SCHOOL
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Dear IHC Family:

We Hear You!

Rumors abound about the future of Immaculate Heart Central. Some families have chosen to go elsewhere. So, we believe it important to speak with you about the current focus and efforts of the school's Education Council and Administration. We cannot address all rumors and issues that you may be wondering about, but rather, we want you to know that we hear you. We are aware of the many challenges and are using every resource possible to address them immediately and in the near future.

We are not closing the doors. Rather, we are opening our doors, our hearts, and our resources to provide an even better IHC. Yes, we are considering a consolidation of buildings. We believe a consolidation of buildings will help improve the school over the long-term. Such a consolidation will not affect the core of IHC, a Catholic, faith-based school that incorporates the values of our faith with a rigorous academic and extra-curricular program. This consolidation will allow the school to share more effectively our resources and improve what we offer you and what you expect of us.

Enrollment has declined resulting in a reduction in athletic offerings. Again, we want to review our athletic offerings and become better aligned with schools our size. Such realistic efforts will result in a stronger athletic program.

Teachers are at the core of each school day. We want to equip our teachers with the best of resources and, in turn, provide them with compensation commensurate with their qualifications and efforts on behalf of Catholic education.

The school is developing a needed Strategic Plan that we hope to formalize and publish over the next few months. All of our efforts focus on improving the quality of IHC so that it may thrive for many years.

What can you do? Hang in there with us. We are confident that a Strategic Plan will keep IHC on the right path. However, we cannot do this alone. Voice your opinions and concerns to our principal and allow your voice to help formulate the strategic plan. Stand up for IHC and silence the naysayers!.

God bless all of you!

Lynise Lassiter
Principal