Solar Eclipse:
Please make sure you pay attention to all of the information that has been given to you by teachers. You never want to look directly at the sun without appropriate protection except during totality. That could damage your eyes. Be smart!

Computer Labs:
Room 32/34 is the location of the IRCHS computer lab. The lab is equipped with ChromeBooks. The Chromebooks are also connected to a large printer from which students can print any work that they complete. Students may use a Chromebook in the lab if they are needing to complete homework or classwork. Classes do take place in that room during the week however, students may use a Chromebook, if available, from the computer lab and move to the library to complete any work during the school day. Room 27 also has a set of Chromebooks which can be used during the day when classes are not in session. A computer lab schedule is being created currently so that all students will know exactly what room they can go to when they need to complete work or are looking for a quiet space to study.

Free/Reduced Lunch:
Any student who qualified for Free/Reduced Lunch last year may start picking up a lunch in Room 10A. Mimi is in Room 10A from 11:30 to 12:00 Monday thru
Friday. Please start picking up your lunch this week if you qualified last year. If you are planning on reapplying this year, please pick up a form in the front office.

**Attention Students**
For your safety, use the designated crosswalk connecting the front parking lot to the rest of the campus. If you ride a bike onto campus at the front entrance, get off the bike when you ride onto campus, and walk it in on the East side (your left as you enter) of the road.

Mr. Lawson, our Security Manager, is working hard to ensure your safety. As a former law enforcement officer Mr. Lawson is well aware of what he needs to do in order to keep you safe. You need to follow his instructions to continue to stay safe!

**Attendance**
In order to have an absence excused, a doctor’s note or other official documentation must be brought to the front office. You may call extension #201 and leave a message to notify of an upcoming absence, but this does not excuse the absence.

**Construction**
Students are not allowed behind the orange fence in the construction area. It is fenced off for student safety. Students who trespass in this area will automatically receive 5 demerits.

**Schedule**
Some of you may be seeing classes that appear late at night on your schedule. You do not actually have classes at 8, 9, 10 PM etc. These are project hours. There are no classes at these times.

**Spring Break Trip to Canada**
Students, this is a reminder that there is a meeting this Thursday night, 8/24 at 6pm in the Choir Room (402). We will discuss the details of our school trip to Quebec City and Montreal (3/22-3/27). Bring your parents!

**EXECUTIVE INTERNSHIP STUDENTS:**
Please be sure to see Mrs. Bainter in room 26, library, today, IF YOU DID NOT SEE ME FRIDAY, for your syllabus and explanation of how Executive Internship will
work this year. Submission of paystubs to Google Classroom begins this week. The first paystub is due Friday by 2 p.m.
I am looking forward to working with you all this year!

LIBRARY NOTES:
Students, please quickly return any school and library books, including dual enrollment books, you still have checked out from last year or summer classes. Put your name on the books when you leave them by the library desk. We are also looking for more Government In America (for AP) textbooks that you are NOT using this year. These are the books with the eagle on the front cover. If you have one that YOU ARE NOT USING THIS YEAR, please return it to the library ASAP.

Also, solar eclipse glasses are available here. After homebase, come by and get yours. One per student.

TUTORIAL LAB:
The Tutorial Lab will be available in the library, room 26, this year. Many of you have a subject area, or two, or three, in which you excel. I am looking to build a core of students who will provide tutoring to students who are having trouble in their classes. We will match you up with a student who needs help in the lab during times when you both are free.

Initially we will be looking for students who are able to tutor in the subject areas of math, science, English, and history. In each of those areas there are subdivisions, so if you are super strong on American history but less so on World history you would want to specialize in American. This same idea goes for math, you may be great at geometry but weak in Algebra II. The point is you do NOT have to be an expert at all history, all math, or all science.

Eventually I can see expanding this to certain electives as well. To reward you for your work helping others we will give you volunteer credit at the rate of a one for one exchange, for example: 20 minutes of tutoring equals 20 minutes of volunteer time. I will be keeping an accounting of all times.

If you would like to help in the library tutoring lab, please come sign up in the library, (not during homebase!) room 26, please bring a copy of your schedule with you.
SENIOR TRIP
Attention Seniors! We will be holding an informational meeting about the Senior Trip (New York City) on Thursday, August 24 at 6pm in Ms. Strazzulla’s room (Room 612). We will discuss the cost, itinerary and what’s included in the trip. All seniors and their parents are welcome to attend! Hope to see you there!

Key Club
The first Key Club meeting will be held Monday Aug 28th during lunch in the Chorus room. Not sure what Key Club is and like/need volunteer hours? Come find out and check us out!

Blood Drive
Good morning everyone! The first BLOOD DRIVE of the year is rapidly approaching! It will be on Monday September 18th from 9:30am-3:30pm. All donors will receive a free t-shirt and wellness checkup, as well as pizza! Remember you can earn 10 volunteer hours for donating blood, (ONCE per school year). You MUST be 16 years old and have a release form signed by your parent. There are also minimum weight requirements to be eligible!

Mark your calendars and stay tuned for the location of the release forms. If you do not have the form signed and returned by the day of the blood drive, you will not be allowed to donate.

In addition to the release form, we need any donors to sign up for an appointment. There will be a sign up sheet starting on September 1st. Remember, you MUST choose an appointment during a break or lunch. You may not skip classes to donate!

Please email Mrs Jessica Kelly or Kelsey Carroll if you have any questions! 😎

This message is for all who missed photo day as well as Seniors & Foreign Exchange students:
You will have your photo taken on September 22nd for your ID cards & yearbook purposes. Seniors, this is NOT your senior portraits. Those must be schedules online at DSP-Photo.com. We have been informed that there is a 6$ fee. This is mandatory for your yearbook.
Photos around campus
Do you love to take photo of you & your friends? Do you have any cute, first-week-of-school selfies?! Send them in for the yearbooks and for the memory board! Please email any and all *appropriate* photos to Ms. Strazzulla(amelia.strazzulla@irchs.org) We are working hard on getting a photo sharing app for the school, but until then, send those photos!

Student Council
If you are a Student Council officer, we will have an officer meeting in Ms. Strazzulla's room 612 this Tuesday August 22nd during lunch. New members are welcome to join us at our first school-wide meeting, August 29th during the common lunch. This will be short, as it is curriculum day. More info on this meeting to come.

BROWN BAG CONCERT SERIES
IRCHS is proud to present the BROWN BAG CONCERT SERIES each Thursday at 11:30 am in the Dome! Bring your lunch and chill to the best IRCHS talent! Join us for the BB Series kickoff with IRCHS's very own Wolves Jazz Ensemble on Thursday September 7th! Sign up with Mr. Mundy in Room 400 or send an email to david.mundy@irchs.org. Slots are open to new and returning 10th through 12th graders.

400 BUILDING
Please note that the 400 building is for those students who are taking a class, in a practice room, or have their Homebase in the building. For the sake of others, students should refrain from hanging out in the hallways or congregating in this building. Practice rooms are for VAPA students only and time slots can be reserved with Mr. Heroux, Mr. Miller, or Mr. Mundy.

Have a great week!