# IVSA NEWSLETTER

September Edition




### What's Happening This Month:

- REGISTRATION for the September 17th and October 15th cohorts will be available on September 4, 2024.
- IVSA has launched the K-5 Academy: check out the K-5 Course Catalog.
- Check out the New Courses that IVSA is offering: *AP Computer Science A; Child Development; Probability & Statistics; Transitional Math QL Stats; Workplace Experience; World Geography; K-5th LA, Math, Science, Social Studies, Health, PE, and Electives*

## Did you KNOW?

IVSA is partnering with 20 schools to provide Teacher Shortage Solutions this fall. Let us know if you have a Teacher Shortage that we may be able to provide a teacher for your students.







### Teacher Shortage Solutions

IVSA teachers work with the TSS students in their classroom. Teacher is broadcast to the front of the room.



### IVSA Site Visits

The IVSA Leadership team did site visits to most TSS schools to ensure students have the correct access to their courses and their teachers.

## IVSA Staff Training

The IVSA Staff met for a day of preparation for SY2425, followed by a family BBQ!



**Team Building**



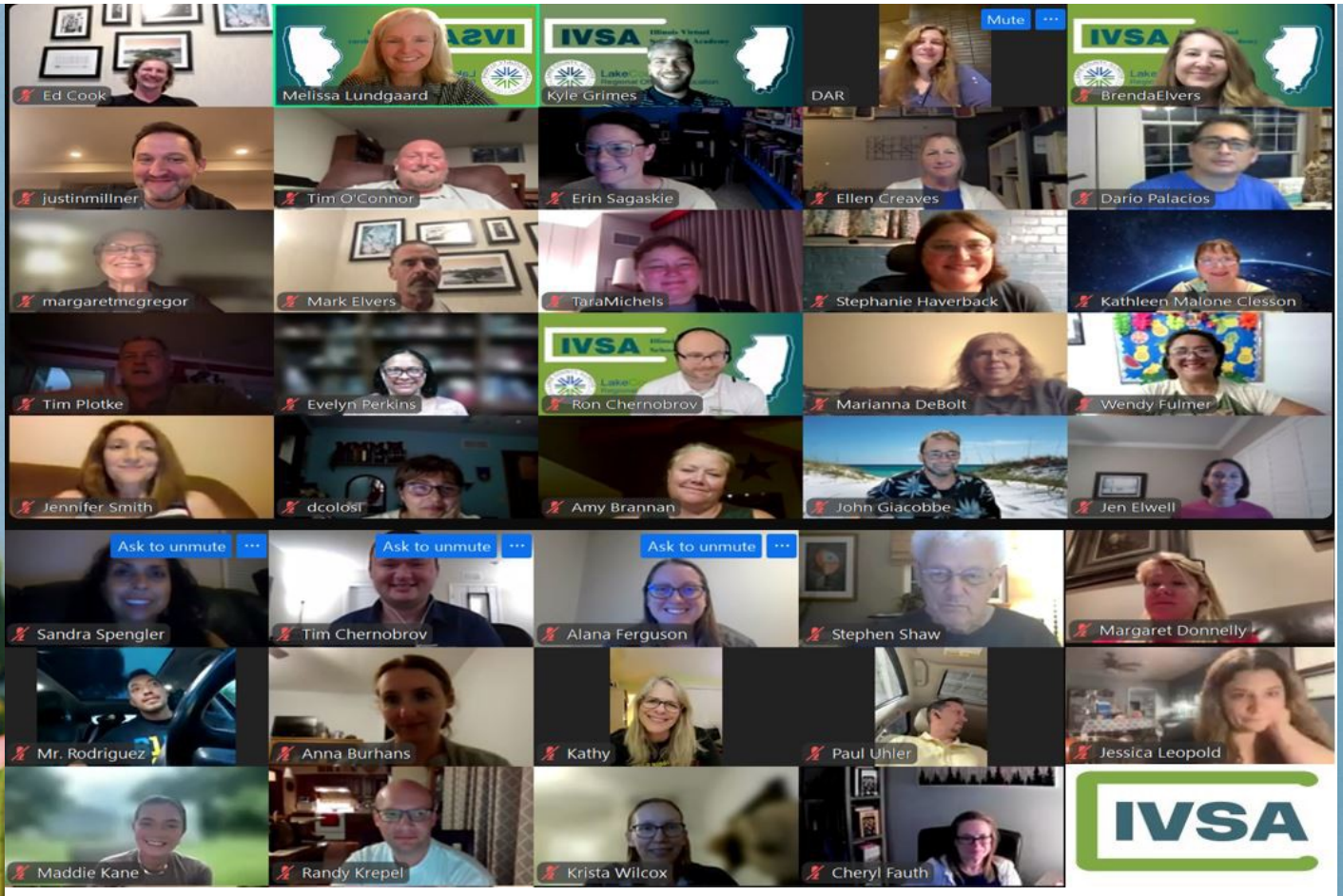
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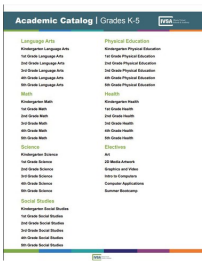
**Vision and Goal Work**



The IVSA Adjunct Instructors had virtual training to get ready for their students!




# IVSA Course LISTS




[K-5 Course List]




[MS Course List]




[HS Course List]

## The University of Illinois Systems is partnering with IVSA

IVSA has a new partnership with the University of Illinois systems. We are launching a Pilot program to expand access so that all students in Illinois have access to courses regardless of their zip code. Take a look at the [SY24-25 Pilot Program details]. The Pilot includes solutions for Teacher Shortage as well as Supplemental Courses.

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## Student Clubs

### IVSA eGaming Club

We have an eGAMING CLUB. IVSA students (both FT and Supplemental) will participate in weekly gaming sessions among IVSA students and then compete in 5 online gaming tournaments with Elite Gaming LIVE. Please register here!

## 🙌 Monthly Shout-Outs

Send us a picture or video of your student participating in an activity that we can highlight in our next newsletter!



## IVSA Programs



- ***Full-Time Academy*** - We offer a highly supportive full-time virtual learning option for students.
- ***Supplemental Course Offerings*** - Choose original credit or credit recovery courses in Core Subjects, Electives, World Languages, Business and CTE courses and more.
- **Teacher Shortage Solutions** - Are you experiencing a teacher shortage that may eliminate programs and courses. IVSA offers synchronous and asynchronous instruction options for full classes.

# Full-Time Academy ONBOARDING

We will host **ONBOARDING** sessions for all Full-Time Academy students. Mark your calendars for ***Tuesdays at 9am*** *and/or* ***Thursdays at 1pm*** to meet your School Counselor and Student Success Coach and get access to the Orientation course with IVSA.



# Full-Time Academy IMPACT sessions

Every week students get to interact with their School Counselor and Student Success Coach, as well as work through our Social Emotional Learning Curriculum (Sown to Grow).

# 🗓️ Coming Up!

Event Information

**Meet the Teacher Night!**

Join on Zoom to learn all about what's happening at IVSA this year!

When?

**Wednesday, Oct 23, 2024, 07:00 PM**

# 💡 Reminders

## 1. IMPORTANT DATES 🗓️

**October 14**: No School, Indigenous People's Day
**October 23:** Open House
**October 28-29**: Parent-Teacher Conferences for FT Academy

## 2. RESOURCES FOR YOUR STUDENT

The FTA students have wrap around support from their school counselor, student success coach and the resources below.




### Varsity Tutors

Complementary Tutoring is provided by Varsity Tutors.

### HELPme App

Students have access to this app that can assist them when they have a need, are in crisis, or want to report something to their school.

### Sown to Grow

IVSA utilizes the Sown to Grow Social Emotional Learning Curriculum.

## Like our Facebook Page

We use social media to send out announcements and for school events. Please take a moment to like our Facebook page and follow IVSA.

## YOU CAN ALSO FIND US ON LINKEDIN




| IMPORTANT DATES | |
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| Aug 15 | FTA Staff FTF Training |
| Aug 16, 19 | No School - Teacher Workday |
| Aug 20 | First Day of School & Onboarding |
| Aug 21-23 | Onboarding & Diagnostic Testing |
| Sep 2 | No School - Labor Day |
| Oct 14 | No School - Indigenous' Peoples Day |
| Oct 23 | Open House |
| Oct 28-29 | Parent Teacher Conferences |
| Nov 27-29 | No School - Thanksgiving Break |
| Dec 23-Jan 3 | No School - Winter Break |
| Jan 6 | No School - Teacher Workday |
| Jan 7 | First Day of 2nd Semester |
| Jan 7-10 | Mid-Year Diagnostic Testing |
| Jan 20 | No School - Martin Luther King Day |
| Feb 17 | No School - Presidents Day |
| Mar 3-4 | Parent Teacher Conferences |
| Mar 24-28 | No School - Spring Break |
| May 5-7 | End of Year Diagnostic Testing |
| May 9 | IVSA End of Year Celebration |
| May 23 | Last Day of School |
| May 27-30 | Teacher Workdays |
| Jun 3 | Summer School Begins |
| Jul 4 | No School - Fourth of July Holiday |
| Aug 1 | Summer School Ends |

| | First Semester | Second Semester |
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| Start | August 20 | January 7 |
| End | December 20 | May 23 |
| Number of Days | 84 | 92 |

IVSA Illinois Virtual Schools & Academy

## Illinois Virtual Schools & Academy

The mission of IVSA is to partner with local Illinois schools to provide engaging and supportive online educational experiences to meet the needs of all learners.

**Any Questions?** Reach out to info@ivsaschool.org
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