APRIL 2024

# LHS-IBPA NEWS

Official Newsletter of the Lakewood High School IBPA





THE 2024 LHS-IBPA SCHOLARSHIP DRIVE IS UNDER WAY! DONATE NOW TO HELP US AWARD SCHOLARSHIPS TO DESERVING IB GRADS.

**DONATE NOW** 

## **IB SENIORS!**

THE 2024 LHS-IBPA SCHOLARSHIP ONLINE APPLICATION IS NOW OPEN UNTIL APRIL 15, 2025 AT 5:00PM.

APPLY NOW

# Calendar

**APRIL** 

3 - Board Meeting; LHS Library, 5:00 - 6:15pm

12 - Staff Appreciation

15 - LHS - IBPA Scholarship Applications Due; 5:00 pm

22 - Incoming Freshman Class of 2028 IB Meeting, 6:30 - 8:00 pm

25 to May 17 - IB & AP Exams - Proctor Volunteers Needed

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1 - Board Meeting; LHS Library, 5:00 - 6:15pm

14 – Senior Banquet; 5-9 pm, Sons of Italy

18 – LHS Graduation, CU Events Center, Boulder

24 - Last Day of School

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#### LHS-IBPA Board

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Kristan Gundel

#### **Community Rewards**

King Soopers: Amy Swanson &

Suzanne Hoffman

RaiseRight: Sue Ferrere

#### Class Advocates

2024: Nancy Dempsey

2025: Susan Miller-Youll

2026: John Martin

2027: Sarah Bromiel

VIEW RECENT SESSIONS



# SAVE THE DATE!!

IB SENIOR BANQUET HOSTED BY LHS-IBPA

TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024 5:00-9:00 PM

# **IB** Art Exhibition

# Thank you to the talented participants of our IB Art Exhibition!





Chris Lager, IB Art Teacher, and students









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# **Upcoming Events**

## Mark your calendar for these upcoming events:

FINAL TEACHER APPRECIATION Friday, April 12, 2024

We are so grateful for our wonderful and talented staff at Lakewood High, and are so happy to celebrate them one more time before summer!

"CLASS OF 2028 IB MEETING" Monday, April 22, 2024 6:30 – 8 pm, Auditorium

Final IB Prep meeting for incoming 9th graders. Summer assignments, athletic information, car-pool and much more will be discussed.

LHS-IBPA SENIOR BANQUET Tuesday, May 14, 2024 5-9 pm

Join us for dinner & festivities as we celebrate the IB class of 2024! This banquet is just for our IB Senior Graduates and their families. Check your email for the invitation and payment details.

## Volunteer with the IBPA!

**VOLUNTEER!** 

Join us as we support our IB students and teachers at Lakewood High School! We offer a diverse range of events and programs aimed at informing students and their parents, and also showing appreciation for our hardworking teachers – and, of course, we ensure there's plenty of fun along the way! If you're interested in volunteering, please fill out the form linked on the left.

## **AP/IB Exam Proctors**

Thank you everyone who signed up to Proctor AP and IB exams. The parent proctor role not only keeps exam costs down for all but it is critical and ensures the validity of the exams. We appreciate your time and commitment!

# Save the date!

## See where our 2023 graduates went!

MATRICULATION LIST OF COLLEGES - LAKEWOOD IB CLASS OF 2024 (79 graduates)

Arizona State University

Auburn University

Baylor University

Bocconi University

**Butler University** 

Case Western Reserve University

Colorado College

Colorado School of Mines (2)

Colorado State University (4)

Cornell University

Creighton University

Davidson College

Drake University

Embry Riddle Aeronautical University

**Emory University** 

George Washington University (2)

Hamline University

Hawaii Pacific University

Lewis & Clark College

Loyola Marymount University

New York University

Northeastern University (2)

Northwestern University

Oberlin College

Ohio State University

Oregon State University

Point Loma Nazarene University

Pratt Institute

Rochester Institute of Technology

Seattle University

Stony Brook University

University College Roosevelt

# 2024 Scholarship

### DEAR FRIENDS OF LAKEWOOD IB,

This letter seeks your kind support on behalf of all 2024 LHS IB Diploma candidates. Lakewood High School's International Baccalaureate program, chartered in 1996, has flourished during the past 27 years to become one of Colorado's largest and most successful IB programs.

To attain an IB Diploma, students pursue rigorous curricula in all core academic courses, as well as foreignlanguage study in every year of high school. Each of these initiative-taking students also authors an extended research paper working independently with a faculty adviser, completes written and oral exams, and prepares Internal Assessment projects in most core classes. IB students also contribute meaningfully to service-related volunteer activities each year.

The LHS IB Class of 2024 displays impressive potential to make significant future contributions, and nearly all of these exceptional students wish to pursue undergraduate degrees. As they submit college applications this year, they will seek out scholarships and grants, discovering such funds in short supply. The already high cost of college increases each year, leaving talented IB students and their families to face mounting challenges to cover higher-education costs. While the LHS IB program opens doors to top-notch universities, far too often financial obstacles prevent IB students from accepting those opportunities.

Please help LHS IB graduates realize their college goals! In 2009, the non-profit LHS IB Parents Association established a scholarship fund for graduating IB seniors, starting with two \$1,000 awards. The idea was so well received that the scholarship fund has continued to grow over the years. In 2023, we awarded scholarships to five deserving IB seniors and we hope to award many more 2024 scholarships at the Senior Banquet in May. LHS - IBPA membership is required for families of scholarship applicants. Your contribution to the LHS - IBPA Scholarship Fund is tax-deductible. Every dollar you donate will be included in the scholarships awarded.

Donating is easy! To donate via our website, just click on this this <u>link</u>. For those wishing to donate by check or establish a Named Sponsor scholarship (\$1,000 or more), please use the mail in donation form, below. Thank you for considering a contribution of \$100 or any amount your circumstances will permit. Please submit your donation no later than Friday, April 26, 2024.

Gratefully, The LHS - IBPA Board

### Please include this portion of the letter with your mailed donation to:

LHS - IBPA, 9700 W. 8th Ave, Lakewood, CO 80215.

_ \$500 Other Amount
_ Email:
at or above \$1,000!
Name of Scholarship:

Please make checks payable to "LHS - IBPA" and note "LHS - IBPA Scholarship" on the memo line.

# It's always a Great Day to be an (IB) Tiger!

## Join the LHS-IBPA!

Now you can easily sign up for IBPA membership online! Simply go to our <u>website</u>, and use our secure online-payment system. You can also pay for your membership via Infinite Campus in your students fee account.

Our modest dues enable the LHS - IBPA to help Lakewood's renowned IB program in many significant ways. So if you're not already a member, please join today. The LHS - IBPA is a 501(c)3 organization - Tax ID Number 46-1450238.

Special Note to Families of Seniors: For your senior to be eligible to apply for a scholarship from the LHS - IBPA in the spring of graduation year, a parent or guardian must be a member by February 1st of that year.

Your \$20 IBPA membership goes a long way each year! Thanks for making a difference!





## **IBPA Benefits**

A benefit for LHS-IBPA Members Only! Did you know you can effortlessly earn contributions to defray your student's AP and IP test exams?

The LHS – IBPA is pleased to offer two programs for member to earn credit towards IB and AP testing fees while also supporting the organization. 10% of the overall donations from both programs will be allocated to the LHS-IBPA general fund and you must be a member of the LHS – IBPA to take advantage of this opportunity!

- Click <u>here</u> for information on Kings Soopers
- Click <u>here</u> for information for RaiseRight. Please use RaiseRight enrollment code E55D914764982.

# Resources

## Stay connected with LHS-IBPA on social media!

- Facebook Page: We have created a <u>Facebook page</u> that shares reminders and helpful information for upcoming IBPA meetings and events. Like us on Facebook @LakewoodIBPA
- Facebook Group: We also have a private <u>Facebook Group</u> if you're more comfortable asking questions or getting advice that is only seen by members in the group, your fellow IBPA parents, both new and experienced. Join the group here or search for Lakewood IBPA Parents.
- Instagram: <u>Our Instagram</u> @LakewoodIBPA account shares IBPA reminders and information, similar to our Facebook page.
- LinkedIn: Connect with the <u>Lakewood IBPA professional community</u> by following Lakewood High School IBPA and add Lakewood IB students, alumni, and families to your growing network. We look forward to connecting with you!

To strengthen support for IB and IB prep families, we have added resource links to the newsletter. We hope they will come in handy. If you have a link you would like to recommend, please submit it to lakewoodibpa@gmail.com.

### **Mental Health**

- Robbie's Hope
- The Second Wind Fund
- Colorado Wellness Center for Girls
- Colorado Crisis Services

## **College Planning/Career Readiness**

- Going Merry
- IB Scholarships
- Lakewood High School Counseling
- Naviance: Student Success
- <u>National Association for College Admission</u>
   <u>Counseling</u>

#### **Student Aid**

Student Aid Assistance

## **International Baccalaureate Organization**

- Lakewood High School IB
- About the IB

## **Gifted and Talented**

- Jefferson County Gifted and Talented
- <u>Terry Bradley, M.A. Social and Emotional Needs of</u> <u>Gifted Children</u>

#### **Stress Management**

• Manage Stress through Mindfulness

## **Lakewood IBPA Scholarships**

Since the IBPA Scholarship was started 10 years ago, 65 LHS IB Students have received scholarships!

This merit-based scholarship is a valuable way to offset part of college financial needs. Here is important information for parents and students.

- For students: The scholarship application can be submitted between March 1st and April 15th this year.
- For parents: There are several ways to get involved in this great program as a donor, sponsor and/or as a reviewer.
- Donors can go to: <a href="http://tinyurl.com/LHS2024Scholarship">http://tinyurl.com/LHS2024Scholarship</a> to make donation. (As a 501(c)(3) organization, your contribution may qualify for a tax deduction.)
- Potential sponsors should reach out to <u>ibpascholarships@gmail.com</u> to learn more about this great opportunity.
- We welcome reviewers to join our team and help identify
  the talented students who will receive the 2024 LHS IBPA
  Scholarship. It's a low time commitment way to make a
  difference in the lives of some young achievers (and
  spend an evening with a great group).