



Dear IVA High Families:

Welcome back to school! IVA High School is more than memorization and test taking. In our learner-centered school, we co-create a **joyful, equitable and academically challenging** community. We started the year with a diverse panel of our students, presenting to our new and returning faculty. Our students authentically shared about their hopes, fears, and transformational experiences. At IVA High, our students are seen, heard, and known.

Over the summer, our teachers participated in a deep dive into Project-Based Learning, developing authentic learner-centered experiences for our students. Teachers collaborated to develop a **relevant and exciting standards-based curriculum** to prepare our students for college, career, and life. We will be welcoming community speakers, as well as taking students into our community to move inquiry to impact.

We re-established our partnerships with LBCC for dual enrollment and EXP for paid internship opportunities. We also added a College and Career Readiness class for seniors. We prepare students for college, career, and life.

We look forward to introducing our staff to you at Back to School night and sharing all of the amazing opportunities our students will be offered this school year.

Sincerely,
Summer Sanders

September 12
Club Rush

September 15th
Back to School Night

September 19
Clubs Begin

September 30
Faculty Day- Student Free Day

September 30
GPS Your Future

Oct 10-13
Student Led Conferences

Campus Information

ParentSquare Emails

IVA High School uses ParentSquare to communicate with families about campus related updates, important school wide notifications, and class specific information. An invitation to register for ParentSquare was sent to parent emails prior to the beginning of the school year and during the first week of school.

If you are a parent with a student who is currently attending IVA High School, please accept the ParentSquare invitation and register for an account to receive emails from our school. If you have not received an invitation email, please send us an email at info@academylongbeach.org.



Lunch Program

Beginning in the 2022–23 school year, California will become the first state to implement a Universal Meals Program for school children. As participants in the National School Lunch Program, this means that every child at IVA can have access to a free lunch and a free breakfast every day of the school year. We are very excited to be part of this first-in-the-nation program.

As part of this program, we are still required to obtain lunch applications from each of our families. These completed lunch applications will qualify our school for important funding opportunities, both for the nutrition program, and also for other services such as after school programs, tutoring, and more. We are working hard to achieve the goal of receiving 100% of our students' applications. Current IVA families, please visit our [lunch program webpage](#) to apply for the lunch program.

Back to School Night



IVA High Back to School Night

We are so excited to welcome our parents/guardians to IVA High's Back to School night! Join us on campus to get to know your student's teachers, make connections with other IVA High parents, and learn about projects that students will engage with. Our Back to School Night will start at 6:30pm and end close to 8pm. If you have any questions about BTSN, please call our office at 562-283-4456. In the meantime, visit our website to [Meet the Faculty](#).

Campus Updates

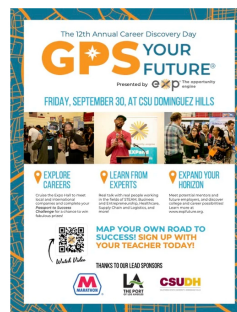
IVA High Clubs

Club rush for IVA High Clubs starts on Monday, September 12th. We encourage students to participate in one or more clubs throughout the school year. Clubs that are launching include Self Care and Meditation, Skate Club, E-Sports, Music and Songwriting, and more! Clubs will start the following Monday, September 19th.



GPS Your Future

EXP is excited to bring GPS Your Future® career discovery day back in person on **Friday, September 30, at CSU Dominguez Hills!** This experience is open to 9th and 10th grade IVA High students. The event introduces high school students to career opportunities through a panel and hands on activities with industry professionals. We will share this event with students next week and provide a field trip form.



IVA IN THE NEWS!

USC's Research Study on IVA

USC's 4-year, half-million dollar research on IVA's intellectual virtues model has just been completed. The study, led by Professor Immordino-Yang, found that students at IVA (compared with students from similarly situated public schools) had increased academic outcomes as well as "a **greater purpose in life, wisdom, and a growth mindset.**" We will share more about this study in a future newsletter!



Enrollment Update

IVA High is currently enrolling students going into 9th through 12th grade for next school year! Interested families should contact us for a tour or more information. Information session and shadow dates will be announced soon. Please email info@academylongbeach.org to inquire about enrollment!



STAY TUNED FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER!

[Visit Our Website](#)

[Enrollment Application](#)



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