

IMAGO DEI ACADEMY

NEWSLETTER



A Day in the life of an IDA Student

What does a day at IDA look like?

Each day at IDA begins with fellowship and play in our commons area and at our playground. You might find students swinging on the swings, building forts, playing a soccer game on our soccer field, or practicing for rugby club. After this early morning recess, students are shepherded into our commons area for our Chapel services. Chapel always starts out with pledges to our American Flag, our Christian Flag, and our Holy Bible. We then move the students on to song, utilizing a mix of contemporary Christian music, hymnals, and classical prayers. A 15-20 minute “sermonette” is then done by one of our local church leaders.

After Chapel, students move into our academic day. Visitors will find our students fully engaged in our Classical and Christian curriculum. From the earliest years in school, students learn the Old and New Testaments, theological and apologetics concepts, Latin, English, Grammar, American, Greek, and Roman History, Science, Math, and Classical Literature, among other subjects.



TEACHER'S CORNER

Mrs. Sitler, Choir Teacher

Choir is so much more than just learning a couple of songs to sing for an audience. This year we have worked with three levels of choirs: elementary, middle school, and high school classes. In addition to singing, the 1st-4th graders studied some music theory, learning names of notes and rests and their value. They worked to read music notes and that allowed them to learn to play bells for a final concert.

Our 5th-12th grade choirs also worked on learning basic notation in music, and how to effectively use that in their singing. Singing two and three part harmony was a great learning step for most. A combined choir was used to practice what they were learning for our last concert on Maundy Thursday.

Playing recorders was introduced this spring. It has been an effective way to learn reading music, learning note values, playing together, and just having fun making music together. We look forward to finishing the year learning more about creating music as we enjoy the recorders.

- Imago Dei joined the Wisconsin Student Music Association (WSMA) this year. This allows middle and high school students to participate in Solo and Ensemble contests throughout the year. This includes vocal, band, strings, and piano students. We hope to select students to be in honors choirs, and honors orchestra next year. We want the love of music to flourish at Imago Dei in future years.



Student Section

My name is Masyn Smith. I am a student who attends IDA's 9th grade. Since going to IDA I have realized that my faith in God has grown. I have made amazing friendships and have improved immensely in my academics. I have also learned some really cool sports, such as track, cross country, and rugby. My favorite class is Classical Studies which consisted this year of Christian studies, Ancient Romans, and the Aeneid. I encourage anyone who is interested in this school to make the decision to go to this school because it is amazing.

Masyn Smith, 9th Grade



Calendar of Events

- **May 22nd** – School Closing Ceremony at 6:30 p.m.
- **May 23rd** – Last Day of School
- **June 7th** – Last day of the Shoe Drive
- **July 26th** – Annual Gala at East Bay, starting at 5:00 p.m. Dueling Pianos entertainment

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THE LORD GOD IS AN EVERLASTING
ROCK. ISAIAH 26:4**



Interested in helping IDA's mission?

You can directly meet our current student and school's needs through giving to the following.

- **Consumables Donation:** we are always in need of plates, cups, silverware, toilet paper, paper towels, index cards, toilet bowl cleaner, swifter wet pads, etc... You are welcome to drop them off at the school. Thank you!!!
- **Our greatest expense is making sure we are paying our teachers.** Please consider making a monetary donation to help ensure we can give our teachers a raise in their new contract.
- **Curriculum fund** - we are still working on building up our textbooks. We spend about \$12,000 a school year purchasing textbooks we don't have for the next level subjects.

Please indicate on your giving submission which item you would like to help with.

You can mail your donation to Imago Dei Academy PO Box 346 Ladysmith, WI 54848