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STATE
OF THE
SCHOOLS
SPECIAL EDITION

A MESSAGE FROM CEO/SUPERINTENDENT KIRK KOENNECKE

WELCOME HOME to the Indian Hill School District!

On behalf of our Board of Education, our administration, and our faculty and staff, I invite you within this publication to a front-row seat for the 2025 State of our Schools presentation.

From the opening of our new Indian Hill Middle School last January – one of three buildings to receive national design awards – to our national STEM designation across all buildings, to our grand opening of the K-12 Entrepreneurs' Center where student leadership learning is happening now – we are changing the educational experience!

In October, we hosted a national AASA consortium and our students stood in the spotlight to greet educators from around the country to showcase our IH Promise – empowering student voice in a personalized, collaborative, and inclusive learning environment.

We saw four coaches of the year for their respective sports, both boys and girls tennis state champions, and we capped the year off with the first boys soccer title – with Coach Bryan Daniel named NATIONAL Coach of the Year.

Along the way, we were entertained by the Bennet Family in *Pride & Prejudice*, Captain Hook, *Peter & Wendy*, and the first ever completely student-led band and orchestra concert to boot – along with a new offering: DANCE! And, we've launched the first Indian Hill Arts Conservatory Advisory Board...

Wow!

And, this year – through our debut Student Ambassadors Program, we are handing our students the mic – from our youngest Braves at Indian Hill Primary School, to our oldest Braves, at Indian Hill High School – to share our story directly with you!

So, without further ado – let's meet the stars of our show: Our students!

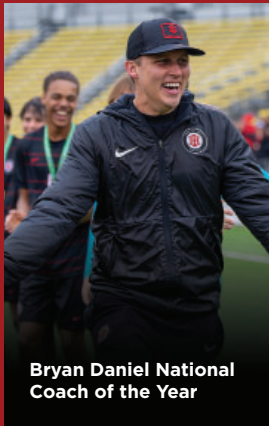
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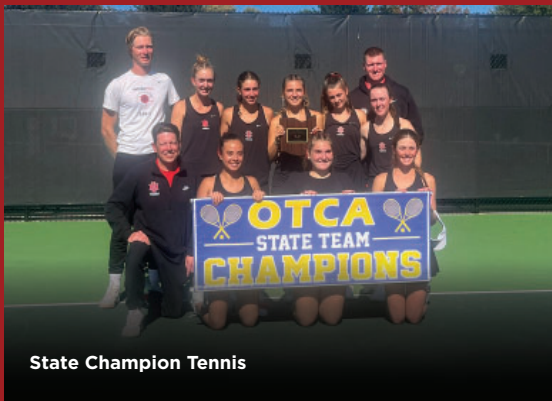
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IHMS educator Jessica
Ball finalist National
Educator of the Year



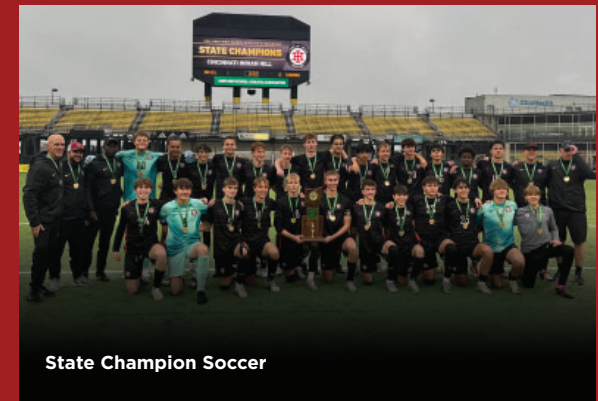
Bryan Daniel National
Coach of the Year



State Champion Tennis



Congratulations to our Premieres students on a stellar "Cabaret" performance! Special congratulations to Premieres members Freddie Kong, Melissa Muench, and Nate Reich, who will be representing Indian Hill as OMEA All-State Choir Participants, and Elyse Longbottom and Lillie Waltz, who were recently selected as Semi Finalists in the Overture Awards Competition!



State Champion Soccer

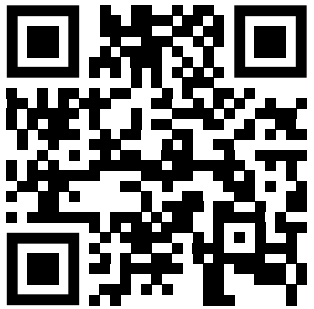
PRIMARY

- ▶ **IHES dominates the Alpaugh Family Economics Center, University of Cincinnati Stock Market Game securing nine of the top 10 elementary teams in the state out of 139 total – including first place.**
- ▶ **Indian Hill Soccer Coach Bryan Daniel named National Coach of the Year.**
- ▶ **IHMS student-authors Ella Bay and Avery Brown earned accolades in the Books by the Banks Cincinnati Regional Book Festival writing competition.**



A TOUR OF SCHOOLS DOWN DRAKE ROAD

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OF SCHOOLS VIDEO FEATURING
IHSD STUDENT AMBASSADORS!
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- ▶ **Undefeated IHHS Boys Soccer wins STATE!**
- ▶ **IHSD recognized in Learning By Design's Fall 2024 Architecture and Interior Design Awards of Excellence.**
- ▶ **IHHS Girls Tennis 2024 OTCA State Champions!**
- ▶ **IHSD awarded \$22,500 in OSLN grants.**
- ▶ **IHSD partners with AASA for national educational consortium.**

▶ **IHMS educator Jessica Ball named finalist as national Educator of the Year!**

▶ **IHSD awarded more than a quarter million in grant money for career learning investment.**

▶ **Five IHHS student-musicians selected to perform with the Ohio Music Education Association (OMEA) All-State Choir and Orchestra ensembles.**

▶ **Indian Hill Coach Wade Ward named Ohio Girls Tennis Coach of the Year!**



MIDDLE



ELEMENTARY



HIGH



► **Leadership Summit on The Hill: Former pro athlete Chris Singleton teaches leadership to Indian Hill students.**

► **National Merit recognizes 14 IHHS students.**

► **Indian Hill School District unveils K-12 Entrepreneurs' Center.**

► **Indian Hill educator Lee Jimenez selected as a 2024 George B. Chapman, Jr. Math Teacher Award of Excellence recipient.**

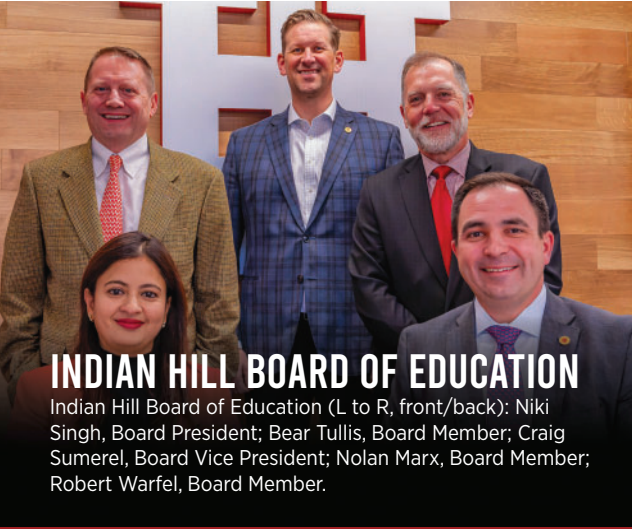
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