



## **IB Coordinator's Report to the LSC – March 12, 2024**

- In honor of Black History Month, students and their pen pals participated in a Black History Cultural Scavenger Hunt in which they researched the answers to questions specifically related to Chicago and Crucian Black culture and history. To celebrate Women's History Month, students will research a woman who has made a global impact and share what they learned in their March letters.
- Due to IAR Testing, IB Assessment #6 has been extended to April 5th with scores due April 12th.
- On February 27th, Mrs. Boateng delivered a professional development to IB teachers on the effective use of standards-aligned learning targets, which is item #1 on the district Rigor Walk rubric. Topics included the alignment of learning targets and learning tasks to Marzano's Taxonomy, alignment to IB objectives, and breaking targets down in order for students to achieve success.
- Carnegie was visited on March 11th by IB MYP Support Specialist Kristen Mac. The purpose of the visit was to provide support to Carnegie for our IB evaluation visit scheduled for January 20–22, 2025. We visited most IB Classrooms to observe IB teaching and learning. We looked for:
  - Teachers and students engaged in inquiry
  - Students engaged in collaboration and productive struggle
  - Student reflection and ownership of learning
- We also discussed:
  - Plans for revision of Carnegie's IB Policies
  - Completion of our Self-Study
  - Completion of Subject Group Overviews
  - The 8th Grade Community Project
- All 8th graders are required to complete an IB Community Project, which is an opportunity for students to recognize the needs of a community and address them through service as action. It is also an opportunity for students to strengthen their Approaches to Learning Skills and Learner Profile traits. Student work on Community Project has begun for some of our 8th Graders through Mrs. Gordon's Community Project After School Program. The remaining 8th graders are scheduled to begin investigating and researching for their projects during the week of March 18th. All students are scheduled to complete their projects by April 19th.

- Mrs. Boateng has begun to recruit students for our IB Ambassadors program. Their responsibilities would be to :
  - Welcome welcome new students to Carnegie's IB Program
  - Help new students and knowledge of the IB Middle Years Program (MYP)
  - Represent the IB Program during school events.
  - Assist with IB duties and tasks related to MYP Events
  - Present at parent informational sessions about our IB program
- A series of IB informational sessions will be held for parents during Parent/Teacher conferences on April 10th. The purpose of these sessions will be to inform new, current, and future IB parents about the IB program and what can be expected for students new to the middle grades. Our IB Ambassadors will present at these sessions. Specific details are forthcoming.

That concludes my report,

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