IUHS Joins League of Schools Meeting All NCA CASI Accreditation Standards

In announcing the renewal of Indiana University High School’s full accreditation status in June 2009, the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI) stated that the IUHS program joins a league of schools that meet or surpass all seven of NCA CASI’s accreditation standards.

Those standards are

- Vision and Purpose
- Governance and Leadership
- Teaching and Learning
- Documenting and Using Results
- Resources and Support Systems
- Stakeholder Communications and Relationships
- Commitment to Continuous Improvement

“IUHS is proud to be among the few schools that have met all of the standards,” said IUHS director, Bruce Colston. “We are eager to continue working with North Central—and its sister institutions in AdvancED—to ensure that IUHS students receive the best possible education we can provide.”

AdvancED is the umbrella organization for NCA CASI, the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI), and the Commission on International and Trans-Regional Accreditation (CITA). NCA CASI, SACS CASI, and CITA schools share a unified, clear, and powerful accreditation process.

As part of that process, IUHS is required to set regular improvement goals, establish benchmarks to measure progress toward those goals, and analyze results. A “dashboard” listing IUHS improvement areas, as well as information on the school’s progress in meeting those goals, will be available on the IUHS Web site in the near future.

Your input is always welcome. Contact me at 800.334.1011 or bcolston@indiana.edu if you have any questions or suggestions as we move forward in the process of continuous school improvement.

Bruce Colston
Director, IUHS Programs
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## Course Tuition

| Tuition for 1-credit high school courses | $132.50 |
| Tuition for 1/2-credit high school courses | $66.25 |

### Tuition for dual-credit courses:

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Most dual-credit courses carry 3 hours of credit. *Students must use a paper form to register for dual-credit courses. Download the form at iuhighschool.iu.edu, or call 800.334.1011.*

## New Exam Delivery Procedures Speed Turnaround Time

To improve exam turnaround time, help you maintain momentum in your studies, and decrease the number of months needed to complete a course, the School of Continuing Studies has created new options for exam delivery.

### Priority Mail

Indiana University High School is now using priority mail to send exams to your exam center or supervisor. Starting July 1, 2009, the school will also provide priority mail envelopes to new registrants for returning exams to us.

After you register for a course, you will receive, by postal mail, a registration packet that includes priority mail envelopes for each of the exams in your course.

Be sure to take one of these envelopes with you to your exam location so that your exam supervisor can use it to return your exam to the exams department. If you lose the envelopes provided, you are responsible for purchasing replacement envelopes. If you do not bring a mailer to the exam, you will be instructed to reschedule your exam.

### Delivery of Exams by PDF

In some cases, exams may be sent to your exam supervisor by email. Please note the following:

a. Before you apply to take your exam, you must check with your exam supervisor to ensure that he or she is willing to accept a pdf version of your exam by email and to print it out.

b. You must indicate that you’d like your exam sent by email when you apply to take the exam.

c. The IUHS exams department will verify your exam supervisor’s email prior to sending the exam. Your exam supervisor must use “official” email related to their institution. Email addresses from free Internet accounts such as gmail or yahoo will not be accepted.

d. Indiana University High School will send the pdf version of your exam to your exam supervisor approximately 48 hours after your exam application has been approved. Before approving your exam application, the school will verify your exam supervisor’s email and confirm that your supervisor has agreed to accept and print the pdf.

e. You complete your exam on paper.

f. Your completed exam must be returned in one of the priority mail envelopes you received when you registered (see above). If you do not bring a mailer to the exam, you will be instructed to reschedule your exam.

## Course Extension Policy Change on July 1, 2009

Students who register for courses after July 1, 2009, will notice a change in Indiana University High School’s extension policy.

Formerly, students could request two extensions of six months each. Starting July 1, new registrants can request two extensions of four months each. The extension fees will remain unchanged.

Courses for which students registered prior to July 1, 2009, will continue to be covered under the six-month extension policy.

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**TOP 5 DRAGON SUPPORT ISSUES (& SOLUTIONS!)**

**How do I verify my Internet browser?**

The Indiana University High School course management system, Dragon, only works with Mozilla Firefox. For course lessons and other Dragon screens to display and work correctly, make sure you are using a recent version of Firefox as your Internet browser. As of April 2009, the most recent version of Firefox was version 3.0.9. You can check your version number by going to:

- On a PC, go to Help > About Mozilla Firefox in the menu bar
- On a Mac, go to Firefox > About Mozilla Firefox in the menu bar

To download or upgrade Firefox (it’s free!), either:

- Go to Help > Check for upgrades in the menu bar, or
- Go to [www.getfirefox.com](http://www.getfirefox.com) and download and install the latest version.

**I’m having problems logging in to Dragon. What do I do now?**

1. Be sure you are using the correct username.
2. Reset your password.
3. If you’ve verified your username and the password reset is unsuccessful, contact the School of Continuing Studies at 800.334.1011. Be sure to have your birth date, ZIP code, email address, and university identification (UID) number ready.

If this is your first time logging in and you get redirected back to the log-in page after completing the “Security Question” form, follow the instructions in item #3 above.

**I can’t view my lesson.**

Usually, this happens when someone is using an Internet browser other than Firefox. If you are using another browser, please see the instructions above regarding downloading and using Firefox as your Internet browser for your course work.

If you’re sure you are using Firefox and still cannot view your lesson, contact Dragon support at [drgnsupp@indiana.edu](mailto:drgnsupp@indiana.edu).

**How do I resubmit an assignment?**

You cannot resubmit an assignment unless your instructor has clicked the appropriate box in Dragon that allows the assignment to be resubmitted. Contact your instructor by phone during office hours or by email (if available), and ask him or her to make the needed change in Dragon.

**I’m having trouble submitting a file.**

1. **Problem:** My assignment did not submit.
   **Cause:** It is likely that you clicked the “Save & Continue” button but did not scroll back to the top of the assignment and click on the “Submit This Assignment for Grading” button.

2. **Problem:** Only part of my assignment was uploaded.
   **Cause:** This usually occurs when you continue to work after clicking “Save & Continue” but then do not select “Save & Continue” again before submitting (thereby only submitting the
Now Starring: YOU!

Indiana University High School would like to involve more students in our online and print publications.

Send us your stories: Do you have a personal story that might inspire others to complete their diploma? Have you had a particularly rewarding experience with a course, an instructor, or a staff member? Please let us know!

Send us your photos: We need photos of students of all ages to help present the face of Indiana University High School! Images need to be high resolution (300 dpi is ideal) in order to work well in print.

Contact Heather Winne at hwinne@indiana.edu to share your story and photo.

Any materials or information submitted by students under age 18 will be used only after we receive the approval of the student’s parent or guardian.

Did You Know? Many IUHS Courses Meet Indiana Core Transfer Guidelines

The Indiana Core Transfer Library provides students with a list of courses that will transfer among all Indiana public college and university campuses. Core Transfer Library courses must meet the general education or free elective requirements of undergraduate degree programs, and many of the CTL courses will also count as one-on-one equivalents to courses taught on Indiana public college and university campuses.

Many IUHS dual-credit courses meet core transfer guidelines. For a list, visit iuhighschool.iu.edu.

IUHS: Not Just for Kids

Do you know an adult who was unable to finish high school? If so, share the information below, which shows the benefits of earning a high school diploma rather than a GED. Then point them to Indiana University High School, a virtual high school where they can discreetly earn a valued diploma while still meeting work and family responsibilities.

• In Indiana alone, more than 524,000 working adults have less than a high school diploma.

• Completing the GED is not the same as earning a high school diploma. According to one study, high school dropouts and GED holders are “statistically indistinguishable.”

• Most students completing the GED are at an economic and academic disadvantage compared to students earning a high school diploma:

  ▸ They earn a little more than dropouts, but less than diploma holders.
  ▸ They are less likely than high school graduates to go to college, or to stay in college once they start. Over the long term, this means that GED holders earn significantly less than students who later graduate from college.

For more information about Indiana University High School, visit iuhighschool.iu.edu, or call 800.334.1011.

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