



“In the confrontation between the stream and the rock, the stream always wins, not through strength but by perseverance.” (H. Jackson Brown)

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Greetings on the 173rd -- and final physical -- school day, for this school year...from this historic school site!

A. 2020-2021 ISO milestones

This afternoon was the final day of what was a very busy, productive, and *unique* 2020 – 2021 School Year. Indeed, ISO has much to celebrate:

- A successful MSA Virtual Visit, which will allow us to continue to offer a quality U.S. Accredited program through 2027

- The students reached academic levels above international and American national norms, as referenced by our schoolwide MAP scores
- A successful launch of the IBDP program for Grades 11 and 12
- 50 more students than expected enrolled in our program
- 40 Director's Messages
- 173 days of physical learning on campus
- All of our senior students* had a successful college placement

*To view the full graduation ceremony, please visit our [Facebook page](#).

B. Optional Summer Learning Resources

Please use the following link to access [ISO Elementary Summer Learning](#) for Elementary School and [ISO Upper School Summer Learning](#) if you (as a student or parent) wish to keep engaged in learning over the break. Please note this is **optional**, and has links to many of the websites the school subscribes to.

C. New Teachers To ISO

Their biographies can be found at the following [new Teacher Link](#). Please spend a little time reading over their Bio's so you can introduce your students to their new teachers.

D. COVID Operational Manual for 2021 – 2022?

The COVID Operational Manual for 2021 – 2022 will be developed in August, based on the trend of the pandemic in Burkina Faso and the vaccination rate of ISO's population. If you do get vaccinated, please be sure to send a copy of your immunization card to me (j.trudeau@iso.bf), Aimee, our school nurse (a.dayamba@iso.bf), and Jonnathan, our CRO (cro@iso.bf).

The sample below is courtesy of my sister.

COVID-19 Vaccination Record Card

Please keep this record card, which includes medical information about the vaccines you have received.
Por favor, guarde esta tarjeta de registro, que incluye información médica sobre las vacunas que ha recibido.

IRUDEAU CHRISTINE M
First Name MI

Patient number (medical record or IIS record number)

Vaccine	Product Name/Manufacturer Lot Number	Date	Healthcare Professional or Clinic Site
1 st Dose COVID-19	PFIZER GPD 6955	3/22/21 mm dd yy	Walgreens
2 nd Dose COVID-19	PFIZER ER 8731	4/12/21 mm dd yy	CVS 1154
Other		mm dd yy	
Other		mm dd yy	

E. Summer Office Hours

The school office will be open throughout the summer holiday*, except for the weeks of July 12th – July 25th:

- Opening hours will be from **9:00a.m – 2:00p.m** until July 9th
- On Monday, July 26th the school will resume its office hours from 9:00a.m – 2:00p.m.
- From August 11th, the school office hours will be from **8:00a.m – 4:00p.m**, until school commences on August 23rd.

*Note: The school will observe all holidays during the summer vacation.

F. Final Notes

We would like to thank the parents, students and teachers for their hard work over the course of the school year. We could not have done it without you!

Thomas Edison once said ... **“it is not what you have, but what you do with what you have that makes all the difference.”** Well, here at ISO, we have a great and incredibly strong learning community!

We hope the two-month summer vacation, **June 17 – August 22**, will provide us all with a well-deserved break and an opportunity to recharge for another year of growth and learning in 2021 – 2022.

It is also, sadly, the time of the year when we say farewell to members of ISO who will be moving on to new beginnings. As mentioned often, **change** and **transition** are two constants here at the International School of Ouagadougou. We all witnessed, during our final assembly today, that **it is never easy to say goodbye!!**

We wish you all a safe, happy and relaxing summer vacation.

Best wishes for next year, wherever that may be.

Saludos Cordiales,

Jeff Trudeau: Director/High School Principal

Jalisa Mixon: Elementary School Principal.