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MONTHLY IFTA & E-IFTA NEWSLETTER

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Teacher Feature



REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

BY KARA DRINKWATER

Hello IFTA families,

We are getting so excited as we are building our staff for the Institute for the Arts and Elementary Institute for the Arts! We have hired some very exciting and enthusiastic teachers! The competition was tough and it was truly hard to pick! I can't wait to feel their energy in the building in July! Classes are more than half full so please don't delay if you plan to sign up for IFTA/EIFTA this summer! We don't want you to miss out on classes that are starting to fill up! We also still have some HPE9 and EPF seats for HS credit available! If you are interested in changing your class selections you can do so by either contacting the ACE office or IFTA@fcps.edu.

Registration closes on Friday, June 25th for all classes.

We will need enough time for ordering all of our supplies! Please be sure to tell a friend about us.

Tuition waivers are available for students who qualify. Thirty percent of our seats were reserved for these students so please spread the word! We are very excited to bring IFTA/EIFTA to families that otherwise may not be able to participate! Please share, share, share! We would love to have a program full to the max this summer! Our catalog is virtual this year on a public website so all families can access. Use your camera on your phone and take a picture of this image.

Graciously,

Meet Mr. Dunn!

Mr. Dunn is one of our Digital Art and Animation teachers at IFTA! He took the time to answer a few of our questions to help us learn more about him!

What are you most looking forward to at IFTA this year? IFTA is an exciting chance for students to experiment artistically. As the teacher I'm looking forward to trying new and exciting projects with students from all over Fairfax county.

Why should families sign up their children to take digital art at IFTA? Students should sign up for my course if they have a passion for digital arts or just a curiosity. Students of all skill types will get to explore artistic programs as tools of artistic expression. We will have fun and take risks in developing each artistic voice in a digital medium.

What is something unique about you that you'd like to share with the IFTA community? I've been creating digital art since 1994 as a junior at Oakton HS. I have a BFA in computer Animation from THE University of the Arts in Philadelphia. I've created work for a wide range of companies and organizations. I've been an art teacher for 17 years now between my time in FCPS and Las Vegas. I love games, comics, Star Wars, LOTR, and most of all Digital Art. I'm a big goof and love to laugh and enjoy life.

IFTA is so fortunate to have such a creative and fun teacher on our art teaching staff! We are looking forward to working with him this summer and are confident the kids will have a great time in his class!



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WHAT'S NEW?

IFTA NEWS:

- IFTA registration is open and closes June 25th!
- Additional seats are available in HPE9 and EPF
- Don't delay to register if you really want certain classes! Seats are first come first serve!

E-IFTA NEWS:

- We have opened up our program to rising 3rd graders! We plan to divide classes as best as we can by age. Students in 3rd will not be with 6th graders.
- We are excited to continue with our theme "All Around the World"!

GENERAL NEWS:

- Some staff positions are currently open. We will hire all staff by the end of May.

