



About the *Alumni Connection*

The Alumni Connection, an electronic newsletter, is designed to inform Ichabod Crane Alumni of what is happening in the District. The newsletter will be posted on the District's Alumni Web page at <http://www.berk.com/ichabod/alumni.html> and will be sent electronically to all alumni on our e-mail list. If you would like to receive an e-mail update, submit your e-mail address to icalumni@ichabodcrane.org.

Alumni Information has been posted for the classes of 1978, 1983, 1988, 1997, and 1998. Also there are links to Web sites for the classes of 1979 and 1982.

James P. Dexter, Superintendent

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NEW COURSE OFFERINGS AT THE HIGH SCHOOL

In an effort to upgrade the High School curriculum to meet the diverse needs of students in grades 9 through 12, the High School administrators and teachers have reviewed the current course offerings and presented a series of recommendations to the Board of Education. As a result of those recommendations, the following NEW courses have been approved:

- Advanced Placement World (Global) History
- Senior Seminar
- English Composition 101 (college credit available)
- Environmental Science elective
- Technical Physics (college credit available)
- College Algebra elective
- Honors Pre-Calculus elective (college credit available)
- Advanced Accounting elective
- Advanced Web Design elective
- Advanced Placement Biology
- Advanced Placement English

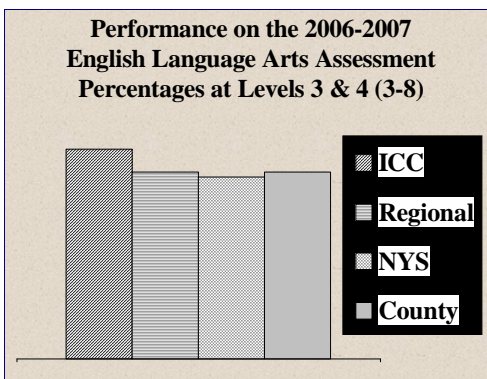
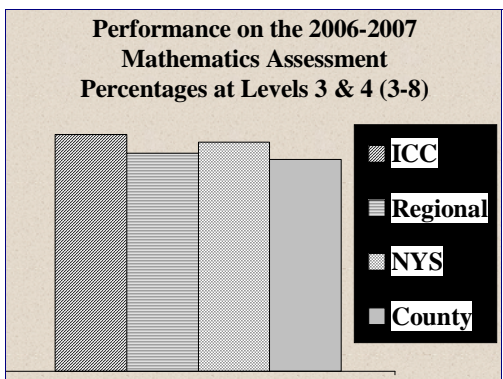
ICC Riders Earn Championships

In the Fall of 2007, the District won seven Patroon Conference Championship titles (girls' soccer, girls' volleyball, girls' tennis, field hockey, golf, boys' cross country, and girls' cross country). The boys' cross country team won the Section II championship for the third consecutive year. Six Fall varsity teams achieved Scholar Athlete status: girls' soccer, boys' soccer, girls' tennis, girls' tennis, girls' cross country, boys' cross country, and varsity field hockey.

During the past school year (2006-07), 16 of 19 varsity athletic teams achieved scholar athlete status while capturing eight Patroon Conference titles (golf, girls' tennis, girls' soccer, girls' volleyball, boys' cross country, boys' basketball, boys' volleyball, and softball); four Section II Championships (boys' cross country, boys' volleyball, girls' basketball, baseball); and one runner up (girls' soccer). The baseball team won the Regional Championship. Special congratulations go to Rosina Schulerud who was named as the 2006-2007 Section II Cross Country Coach of the Year and to Dave Pinkowski, named the 2006-2007 Section II Volleyball Coach of the Year.

2006-2007 New York State Assessment Data

The State Education Dept. has released the results from the 2006-2007 administration of the New York State assessments for all students in grades 3 through 8. As a district, we are pleased that we are meeting and/or exceeding state and regional averages. We continue to move forward to increase the percentage of students reaching proficiency. The charts below compare Ichabod Crane to the county, regional and New York State averages for math and English language arts (ELA).



2008-2009 BUDGET DEVELOPMENT

Plans are well underway for the development of the 2008-2009 budget. The budget calendar and other budget related information will be posted online at www.ichabodcrane.org. This year, the Board has added two "budget roundtables" to the budget calendar to provide additional opportunities for community members and parents to interact with the Board about priorities. The roundtable discussions are scheduled for **February 26 and March 25**.