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**GUIDE TO THE WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS | ISD COUNSELLING DEPARTMENT EVENT CALENDAR**
**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual ISD Career Symposium Registration Open Now  
Networking; Seminars; Practicums/Internships**
**Gr. 9-12 Students & Parents are invited to attend on Wednesday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> from 17:00-19:30**
**GR. 12 STUDENTS & PARENTS**
**▪ proTechnicale – Dein Studienorientierungsjahr im MINT-Bereich für Frauen**

proTechnicale bietet Dir die Chance, Deine technischen Interessen und Skills nach dem Abitur in Ruhe zu vertiefen. Während des elfmonatigen Programms bekommst Du ein konkretes Bild davon, welcher Studiengang optimal zu Dir passt und in welchem Beruf Deine Zukunft liegt. In einer Gruppe von MINT-affinen jungen Frauen sammelst Du neben praktischen Erfahrungen auch theoretisches Wissen. Die faszinierenden Themen Luft- und Raumfahrt, alternative Energien und Informationstechnologie lernst Du dabei in Seminaren und bei Praktika im In- und Ausland kennen. Infos dazu gibt es am 25.02. und 12.03., jeweils von 17:00-18:30 Uhr.

**▪ IBWISE Spring IB Exam Revision Intensive Courses**

IBWISE is once again offering its Spring On-Ground IB Exam Revision Intensive and Spring Online IB Exam Revision Intensive courses. These opportunities allow May DP candidates to review DP subjects in small groups with world-class IB educators & examiners, all with 12-30 years IB teaching & examining experience each.

**▪ Weltwärts – Freiwilligendienst in Deutschland | Volunteer in Germany**

The weltwärts South-North development volunteer service gives you the opportunity to get involved in civic engagement in **Germany** by spending **6 to 18 months volunteering** in the areas of **education, healthcare, environmentalism, culture** or **human rights**.

**GR. 12 & 11 STUDENTS & PARENTS**
**▪ Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf – Studieren vor dem Abitur: Informationsveranstaltung**

Du bist Schüler\*in und hast Interesse, die Universität bereits vor dem Abitur regelmäßig zu besuchen und vielleicht jetzt schon Leistungsnachweise für ein späteres Studium zu erwerben? Dann bewirb Dich bei uns für das Schülerstudium an der HHU! Unter bestimmten Voraussetzung hast Du als Schüler\*in die Möglichkeit, ein Semester lang (oder auch mehrere) an einer richtigen Vorlesung, bzw. einem Seminar an unserer Universität teilzunehmen und sogar in manchen Fächern eine Prüfung abzulegen, die mit Credit-Points bewertet wird.

**GR. 11 STUDENTS & PARENTS**
**▪ Junior Conference invitations were included with the January 31<sup>st</sup> Weekly Announcements. **PLEASE COMPLETE THE REQUIRED STEPS IN THE INVITATION BEFORE** scheduling an appointment with your Career & Higher Education Counsellor. **Junior Conferences take place throughout the spring from February 3<sup>rd</sup> to June 20<sup>th</sup>** for students who are interested in North American, UK, EU, and other institutions worldwide.**

\*Applicants to **Japan** follow a different process. Contact Mrs. Kitagawa | Book a meeting | kitagawa@isdedu.de

**• U.S. Higher Education Applicants – ACT Registration**

The next ACT will take place on **April 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>**. Students must register via the ACT website by **March 7<sup>th</sup>**. **Note that ISD is not an ACT Test Centre.** For more information on U.S. Standardized Testing, please visit the ISD Counselling Department website.

**GR. 11 & 10 STUDENTS & PARENTS**
**▪ Potential U.S. Applicants – SAT Online Preparation Course Registration**

Higher Ground Learning is a US-based company with a long-standing reputation for providing **affordable (just \$649 USD!)** SAT test preparation to international school students around the world. Please refer to the course introduction letter and calendar for the upcoming **March/April** session. **Registration closes February 21<sup>st</sup>.**



## GR. 10 STUDENTS & PARENTS

### ▪ Class of 2027 [Academic Programme and Course Choice](#) Counsellor Consultations

Mr. Layman (A-K): [Book a meeting](#) and Mrs. Mika (L-Z): [Book a meeting](#) are available **virtually** during the **Student/Parent/Teacher conferences** on **Tue., Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>** and **Wed., Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>**. If you would like to discuss your child's academic programme choice and course selection, please use the blue **'Book a meeting'** link to schedule a conversation. For these two days, please use the **'20-mins'** appointment option as it offers times throughout the day.

## GR. 10 & 9 STUDENTS & PARENTS

### ▪ **PSAT 10 Registration (U.S. Higher Education)**

Grade 9-10 students considering studying in the U.S. may wish to take the [PSAT 10](#) on **Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>**. The PSAT 10 simulates the format, structure, and content of the SAT, which U.S. applicants usually take in 11<sup>th</sup> and/or 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Interested students must [REGISTER VIA THIS LINK](#) BY **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21<sup>st</sup>**. The typical cost is usually between **50€-75€** depending on the number of test proctors needed. **For more information on U.S. Standardized Testing, please visit the [ISD Counselling Department website](#).**

## ALL STUDENTS & PARENTS

### ▪ **AGIS Higher Education Spring Fair – Save the date!**

The **AGIS HE Spring Fair** returns to the ISD campus on **Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup>** from **17:00-19:00**. Join **60 institutions** from around the world and learn about Bachelor programmes, admissions, scholarships, and financial aid. Mark your calendars and watch out for the link to register in late February.

### ▪ **Online Work Experience & Career Days**

**Career Days UK** offers [10 different online work experience](#) opportunities for students aged **14-17**. The series starts with **Medicine** on **March 22<sup>nd</sup>** and ends with **Computer Science** on **May 31<sup>st</sup>**. Book your experience now!

### ▪ [Study Less, Study Smart](#)

As we head into the final few months of the 2024-2025 school year, we would like to highlight another resource for students who are looking to elevate their study habits and routine. Check out the full **60-min extended version** or the **6-min condensed version**, as well as links to even more study techniques to help you upgrade your revision game.

### ▪ **EU Higher Education Open Days / Student for a Day**

Many institutions host **'Open Days'** and **'Student for a Day'** events in the spring. These events offer students and parents a fantastic opportunity to get an inside view on campus life, academics, and admission procedures. For a comprehensive list of open days, visit the relevant sites below or check individual institution websites:

▪ **DE:** [Studienwahl](#) | **IRE:** [CAO Open Days](#) | **NL:** [Dutch Open Days](#) | **UK:** [UCAS](#) & [UK Open Days Calendar](#)

### ▪ [Deutsche SchülerAkademie: Bildung und Begabung \(PDF\)](#)

Die Deutsche SchülerAkademie (DSA) richtet sich an besonders leistungsfähige und motivierte Jugendliche der beiden letzten Jahrgangsstufen vor dem Abitur, also 11. oder 12. Klasse (G9) bzw. 10. oder 11. Klasse (G8). Was passiert da? Die DSA bietet Schülerinnen und Schülern außerhalb des Unterrichts intellektuelle und soziale Herausforderungen und fördert ihre besonderen Fähigkeiten. Unter Anleitung von qualifizierten Kursleitenden arbeiten sie an anspruchsvollen Themen – oft auf dem Niveau von Hochschulstudiengängen in den ersten Semestern.

### ▪ [Upcoming Higher Education Visits & Events](#) & [European Higher Education Fairs](#)

Interested ISD students and parents are invited to take part in the upcoming events below:

▪ [EINSTIEG Köln](#) Higher Education, Career & Gap Year Fair: 14.-15.02

▪ [University Colleges in The Netherlands Webinar](#): 21.02 @ 19:00

▪ [Charlotte Fresenius Hochschule Düsseldorf](#) & [Hochschule Fresenius in Düsseldorf](#) Open Day: 22.02 @ 10:00

▪ [European University Cyprus School of Medicine Frankfurt Open Day](#): 26.02 @ 16:00-20:00

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