

From the Secondary Principal's Desk

Dear BAIS Community,

By the time you read this, Student-Led Conferences (SLC) will be underway or will have been completed. Over the past month, I have had a few conversations with parents where they asked, "Why does BAIS have students complete Student-Led Conferences?" I am pleased to make a list of reasons that I hope will be a satisfying answer to the aforementioned question.

- SLC provide an opportunity for students to create their own SMART goals at the beginning of the school year. Research has show when students have the independence to choose their own goals, they are more likely to achieve them. Students are more in control of their learning. They feel empowered!
- With their goals set, students can make a collection of learning artifacts that demonstrate growth toward the goals. At SLC, parents can expect that not every goal will be met. This is not a cause for concern. What is important is the process of goal setting, being able to document and justify growth toward the goals, and being able to communicate ways growth occurred and, perhaps, why a goal was not met. They own the growth!
- Through this process students learn constructive self-assessment. Students reflect on their work, discuss non-academic behaviors such as time-management, organization, participation in class, and work-ethic. In so doing, they learn to develop a healthy, constructive lens to view their achievement. How am I doing? What did I do well in? What did I enjoy the most? What was I passionate about? These are all questions that students should be able to answer well during the SLC. Self-assessment is a life-skill they will continue developing beyond the SLC.
- Important communication skills are honed. Through this entire process students practice and grow in their ability communicate. Public speaking and presentation skills are developed through this process which benefits the student's professional and personal life. This is also a great opportunity to hear from teenagers who are sometimes hesitant or have few opportunities to discuss personal, academic, and spiritual growth with their parents.

Personally, I am really excited about Student-Led Conferences. In terms of school improvement, I know that our students grow more by completing this process compared to a more accidental approach to the school year. If you have constructive feedback about SLC, do not hesitate to email or set up an appointment. I am eager to hear all you have to say.

Blessings,
Mr. Jeremy Thomas
Secondary Principal

MAY	
15	Senior Exit Interview
15	Sport Awards at 04.00 pm at the MPR
17-19	Senior Exams
19	Senior Banquet
20-23	Senior Trip
24	MS/HS Awards Assembly at 08.00 am
25	Ascension Day of Jesus Christ – No School
26	High School Graduation Rehearsal – morning
26	High School Graduation at 03.00 pm
29	Elementary Award Assembly at 07.45 am
29	MS/HS Bible Exams (6-7 period)
30	Kindergarten Graduation
30	MS/HS Exams/Half Day for Secondary

BAIS BUZZ



Weekly news and updates from
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LIBRARY NEWS

All library materials (books and DVDs), must be returned by May 26, 2017. Library will not be checking out books and other materials starting May 22, 2017 except for classroom usage.

You can check if you still have some books checked out by logging in to library.baisedu.org
You can email me at johnratukado@baisedu.org, to get your log in information.
Thank you.

ATHLETIC NEWS

SPORTS AWARDS!

May 15 at 4:00 PM in the MPR.

Wear your personalized team jersey.

If you don't have one, wear a jersey that represents your sport.

BAIS'thletes -- please return all BAIS (non-personalized) uniforms to Bu Dias ASAP.

We are still missing soccer and basketball uniforms. Thank you!

BRAZILIAN SOCCER SCHOOL (BSS)

Concludes season 3 next week Wednesday, May 17th.

Thanks for participating throughout the year!

AFTER-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

All after-school activities will conclude next week, *unless otherwise specified by activity sponsors*.

2017-2018 COACHING APPLICATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!

Passionate about sports? Want to be used by God to invest in the lives of our BAIS'thletes?

Then submit this [coaching application form](#) by Monday, May 15!

Interviews will be held within the next two weeks.

ISSAC SOCCER 2017

Congratulations to our new Girls Soccer Head Coach Ms. Kegerreis!

Boys Soccer Head Coach Mr. Julian is returning for another season with BAIS Athletics. YAY!

SOCCER informational meeting -- Interested BAIS'thletes should attend.

Wednesday, May 24 during secondary lunch. See you on the pitch!

Contact coaches for more

info: travisjulian@baisedu.org OR kelseykegerreis@baisedu.org

QUESTIONS? SUGGESTIONS? CONCERNS? IDEAS? CONFUSED?

Email us at athletics@baisedu.org We want to hear from you!

PRAY FOR THE...

- Sports awards: it's preparation & a successful & FUN execution!

- BAIS'thletes: to end strong through AP testing, finals, upcoming transitions & goodbyes

- Future coaches: to be God-fearing, loving & driven to invest in the athletic & Christian development of our BAIS'thletes

- Future AD: able to lead well & delegate accordingly, fresh with ideas & with a great vision to take BAIS Athletics & Activities to new heights!

- Smooth wrap-up of all athletic & activities year end responsibilities

- Hosting ISSAC Swim 2018. WOO HOO!

Ms. Linnette Vasquez

Athletic Director

CONGRATULATION!!

Ricky Toh was accepted to Stanford University