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*Welcome back to a new school year at ICDA. Be sure to check in with your counselor to plan you year schedule. Remember, each credit counts!*

## Helping you achieve your educational goals

### Going back to school tips!

- When teachers do the talking on the first day, they often go over classroom rules so you'll know what's allowed and what's not. Pay close attention so you'll know.
- The first day of school is your first chance to find your way around a new school, or learn the pathways to new classes in your old school. It's a lot to learn in one day, so don't be surprised if you need a reminder or two.
- What if you **hate** school by the end of day one? Teachers recommend giving things some time to sort themselves out - once you know your way around the building and get adjusted to the new routine, you'll probably feel better. If those feelings don't fade, talk to your mom, dad, teacher, or school counselor.

### Here are a few final tips for a fantastic first day:

- Get enough **sleep**.
- Eat a healthy **breakfast**.
- **Try** your best.
- Develop **good work habits**, like writing down your assignments and turning in your homework on time.
- Take your time with school work. If you don't understand something, **ask the teacher**.
- Keep a sense of humor. One teacher we know shows his new students a picture of himself graduating high school - a grinning ape in a red graduation cap and gown. This usually makes the kids laugh, and it's a good way to remind them that school is **fun!**



The mission of ICDA Charter High School is to educate and support students in building successful lives through progressive student achievement, student communication, and life experiences in a safe and positive learning environment.

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