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## IPS HISTORY MAKERS



NBA Coach  
**Michael "Mike" Woodson**  
Broad Ripple High School, Class of '79



Judge  
**Z. Mae Jimison (1943-2008)**  
Shortridge High School, Class of '61



Newsman/Producer  
**Harry A. Radliffe (1949-2015)**  
Shortridge High School, Class of '67



Jazz Trumpeter  
**Freddie Hubbard (1938-2008)**  
Arsenal Technical High School, Class of '56

Black History Month: Celebrating Influential IPS Graduates

TOY PROFILES



Meet Kenya Taylor-Wash.  
2017 IPS TOY Finalist

HOT TOPICS



Dr. Wanda Legrand Named  
to Future Chiefs Cohort

ALL STAR



CTC Student Honored for Work  
in Architecture Pathway

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# ISTEP+

Part 1 - Applied Skills  
Grades 3-8 and 10

**FEB. 27** THROUGH **MAR. 10**



# The New Longfellow IPS' pipeline for medical/STEM curricula



Principal Eric Parquet of Longfellow Middle School

## Physical Therapy

- Assume the role of a physical therapy assistant
- Explore sports medicine and best practices in rehabilitation
- Dual-credit opportunities and experiential learning

## Health Informatics

- Introduction to bioinformatics
- Fundamental skills used to implement information systems
- Dual-credit opportunities and experiential learning

## Biomedical Sciences

- Solve real-world medical cases
- Project Lead the Way curriculum
- Dual-credit opportunities and experiential learning

## Nursing

- Hands-on clinical training experience
- Certified Nursing Assistant (C.N.A.) certification
- Dual-credit opportunities and experiential learning

When the 2017-2018 school year begins July 31, Longfellow, a former alternative high school, will become the district's first dedicated middle school for both medical and STEM curricula — welcoming all new students and staff. The move is part of the districtwide grade reconfiguration, which eliminates community high schools (Grades 7-12) in favor of the dedicated middle schools (Grades 7-8) that IPS parents requested.

"I'm unbelievably excited and giddy every day," said Longfellow Principal Eric Parquet about the impending opening of the new school and its academic focus. "When the new Henry W. Longfellow Medical/STEM Middle School 28 opens its doors, students will not only be exposed to some of the most innovative curriculum in the state, they will also have a direct pipeline to IPS' only medical magnet high school."

Parquet, a former science and chemistry teacher, is referring to the relationship between Longfellow and Crispus Attucks Medical Magnet High School. In addition to becoming a true Grade 9-12 building, Attucks will also turn its focus toward full-scale medical curriculum this fall. Featuring four medical pathways — Physical Therapy, Nursing, Biomedical Sciences, and Health Informatics — Attucks will be a premier choice in the district for high school students interested in careers in medicine.

"With Longfellow dedicated to middle school, they can focus on giving those students the foundation they need and set them up for academic success at a program such as Crispus Attucks," said Attucks Principal Lauren Franklin, who has been collaborating with Parquet since he joined the district in January.

Science, technology, engineering and math will be integrated throughout Longfellow's curriculum. "Whether it's an art class, foreign language, social studies or language arts, STEM will be integrated in everything that we do," said Parquet.

Longfellow will also offer innovative classes, including Medical Detectives, Computer Science Discoveries, Design & Modeling, and Exploring Colleges and Careers, which, in some cases, are designed to prepare students for the new pathways at Attucks.

Ben Carter, director of career and technology education at IPS, has been working with both Parquet and Franklin on their pathways and curriculum. He believes the early exposure to medical and STEM content will help students feel more confident pursuing these careers.

"The more we can get our kids plugged into the STEM and medical fields, the better chances we're going to have of them wanting to pursue careers in these high-demand, high-wage jobs," said Carter.



Principal Lauren Franklin of Crispus Attucks High School



## HAPPY PRESIDENTS DAY!

February 20, 2017

IPS campuses and offices will be closed in observance of the holiday.



## Teaching & Learning

- For [Black History Month](#), we're paying tribute to our very own history makers - IPS graduates who have made a name for themselves in music, academia, entertainment, journalism, politics, sports and various other career fields. Find out who we're honoring this week.
- **Why is it important to celebrate Black History Month?** "The more you learn about black history, the more you learn where other cultures come from." - [Aniya W.](#), sixth grade, Christian Park School 82.
- There were 30 teams still standing in the districtwide "[Read to the Final Four](#)" competition on Feb. 3, but the field of voracious third-grade readers has been reduced to the Sweet 16. Which teams are still in the running to win the championship?
- [Micah Nelson, IPS' 2017 Teacher of the Year](#), goes inside classrooms throughout the district to find out what educators and students are working on this semester. From the annual M.A.T.H. Bowl to IREAD and ISTEP to foreign languages and lessons on rights/fairness, classrooms are offering a variety of activities.



## Efficient Operations

- Still interested in enrolling your child into IPS' popular choice schools? The deadline for Round 2 of our [Choice Application Lottery](#) is March 3. With 26 choice programs throughout the district and less than 1,000 remaining seats, it's time to act now.
- As IPS prepares for nominations for its 2018 Teacher of the Year program, we're highlighting the finalists and winner of the 2017 class. This week, we get to know Daniel Webster School 46 teacher [Kenya Taylor-Wash](#).
- Dr. Wanda Legrand, deputy superintendent of academics at Indianapolis Public Schools, is one of eight leaders named to the second cohort of [Future Chiefs for Change](#). The program selects innovative leaders who are transforming our nation's schools and are ready for larger roles in education.
- **IPS in the News:** IPS is experimenting with a new kind of teacher and transforming schools. [Opportunity Culture](#), a new leadership model designed to attract experienced educators and support those new to the classroom, is making a difference at Lew Wallace School 107.



## Family & Community

- Arsenal Technical High School Senior [Leonna Huddleston](#) will be honored for her work in the Architecture program through Tech's Career & Technology Center (CTC). The CTE Award for Excellence in the student category is one of three awards the CTC program will receive at the Indiana Government Center.
- Teachers can earn extra money while making a difference in the lives of students through [TeenWorks](#), an annual summer jobs program. Each year, the program hires teachers to serve as supervisors for teen groups at various work sites throughout Marion and Delaware counties. The application deadline is March 26.
- [SYA student Chloe C.](#) says the movie "Hidden Figures" gave her the extra motivation she needed to keep reaching for her goals - despite the naysayers. Chloe digs into her past and dreams about her future in this first-person account.
- On Feb. 7, [Pacers Cares visited Elder W. Diggs School 42](#) to teach students to dream big through its Capes for Kids program. Former Pacers players talked to students about setting and achieving goals and assisted in helping the youngsters make their own superhero capes.



Circus Starring You  
Feb. 18 thru Nov. 26



Ice Age Giants  
Feb. 17 thru Oct. 1



Chocolate Slide  
Feb. 4 thru April 23



Scholars Prepare For  
IPS Math Competition

**3.3.17**



On the Front Lines  
with IPS Dance Teams

**3.17.17**