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Independent Day School-Corbett Campus Invites Media To “Living Thanksgiving”

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Tampa, Fla.

Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students at Independent Day School-Corbett Campus (IDS-CC) in Tampa will experience first-hand what life was like in the New World for the Pilgrims when they participate in the school’s “Living Thanksgiving” during the week of November 14. This event provides unique and exciting opportunities highlighting the Thanksgiving holiday.

The “Living Thanksgiving” begins on Monday, Nov. 14 at 8:30 a.m. on the school’s campus at 12015 Orange Grove Drive. At that time, students will set sail aboard their own *Mayflower* ship dressed in Pilgrim attire.

Members of the media are encouraged to call the school at (813) 961-3087 to arrange a visit. (See attached schedule.)

Every day throughout the remainder of the week, alternating classes of students will carry out a wide variety of tasks the Pilgrims would have typically performed to survive in the New World: thatching a roof, making household supplies such as brooms, candles, beds and pillows, searching for food, weaving cloth, grinding corn, making butter, washing clothes, and planting crops. Exact times and activities vary from day to day. Please see the attached schedule for specific times.

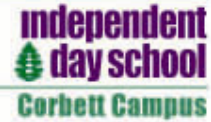
On Thursday, Nov. 17 between 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. “Squanto” will join the children to demonstrate the Native American practice of planting fish with corn to grow crops.

The “Living Thanksgiving” is typical of our school’s hands-on approach to learning and our belief in creating memorable experiences that enable students to make real-life connections to curriculum-based studies,” said Roberta Lipschutz, kindergarten teacher.

Founded in 1968, Independent Day School-Corbett Campus is a fully accredited, independent school located in northwest Hillsborough County. It serves 540 plus students in grades Pre-K3 through 8. At IDS, all children experience learning in a nurturing and highly academic environment focused on excellence and developing a positive self-concept. IDS-CC has become recognized as an exemplary school with over 2,000 visitors observing and learning from and with IDS-CC teachers. For more information about IDS visit www.idsyes.com.

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Monday, November 14

9:00 – 11:00 a.m.

12:15-12:35 p.m.

Students “depart” aboard *Mayflower* dressed as Pilgrims.

Tuesday, November 15

9:45 –11:10 a.m.

1:00-1:45 p.m.

Students arrive in America and begin activities to survive the winter.

Wednesday, November 16

8:10-11:00 a.m.

Hands-on activities continue.

Thursday, November 17

8:30-10:00 a.m.

Squanto arrives; hands-on activities continue.

Friday, November 18

8:30-11:00 a.m.

Crops are harvested; final day of hands-on activities.