Greetings from Innovation Academy!

Congratulations IA Gators! You are nearing the end of your Summer semester. Stay diligent on the home stretch!

This newsletter contains important dates, reminders, and involvement opportunities.
Do you want to make a T-Shirt?

IA students have expressed an interest in designing a “different” IA T-Shirt for next year. Well, here’s your chance!!

Send your design/concepts/sketches/images to our Graphic Designer (IAGraphics@aa.ufl.edu). We are very excited to see your submissions by 8/4 @ 4 pm.

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Important Academic Dates

Honors Thesis Due to College Advising Office - July 30
Withdrawal/Drop Deadline (“W” assigned): August 1
Faculty Course Evaluation Period: August 2–8
Classes End: August 8

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MentorUF Applications Open!

MentorUF is an organization dedicated to improving the lives of local elementary, middle, and high school students through a variety of mentoring opportunities. With 4 distinct mentoring groups, you can choose the option that is best for you! Mentors meet with their student(s) weekly, spending some time working on academics and some time doing fun activities. Whether you are able to mentor for 30 minutes or 2 hours per week, we have a group to suit your needs! Don’t let transportation limitations stop you from applying, we will try to set you up in a carpool with other mentors.

To learn which mentoring experience is best for you, click here for an interactive experience.

Know which program you want to apply for? Click here to apply! If you have any questions about the mentoring experience or the application, please email Dan Sibol at daniels@leadershipandservice.ufl.edu.
**Haitian Education and Leadership Program** - The Haitian Education and Leadership Program (HELP) is seeking a Citizenship & Leadership Fellow. More information can be found at the [HELP website](http://www.help.org).

**8th Annual Golf Fore Kids’ Sake Tournament** - volunteers are needed for the annual Big Brothers Big Sisters of Mid-Florida gold tournament. For more info, contact Joel Robinson [Big Brothers Big Sisters of Mid-Florida](http://www.bigbrothersbigsisters.org) at 352-375-2525.

**Monkey Lovers Wanted!** - Come volunteer at [Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary](http://www.junglefriends.org) and help make a difference in the lives of almost 200 monkeys!

**Land Management Volunteer** - This volunteer opportunity is for anyone interested in the native environment of Florida. Please visit the [Alachau Conservation Trust website](http://www.alachauconservationtrust.org) for more information.

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**Football Lottery Sign-up!**

Gator Football Season is just around the corner! 20,000 students form the Gator Nation on Fall Saturdays in The Swamp. This is Gator Country, and you don’t want to miss the action! Register today for the football ticket lottery at [Gatorzone.com/students](http://www.gatorzone.com/students).

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