



INDIANOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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WEEK OF February 26, 2018

Reader of the Week:



Katie Raffety

8th Graders: High School Registration Packets Due Friday

Yearbook Order Deadline Approaching

Yearbook sales end Wednesday! You may still order online at Jostens.com, or your child may bring cash or a check (made payable to IMS) to Mr. Damman in room 507. Books are \$30. As with past years, no extras will be purchased, so order yours today. Not sure if you ordered one? Your student can check the list by the lunchroom. It is updated weekly. If you have questions, contact Mr. Damman at William.damman@indianola.k12.ia.us.

Cyber-Bully Week

The Indianola Middle School Student Council is celebrating National Anti-Cyberbully week. We will participate by dressing up Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday to help put an end to cyberbullying.

- Tuesday, February 27: We will have a "Dress to Impress Day", so come wearing your best clothes. Students can stop by the student council table in the cafeteria and make a sign. The sign will start with "I AM" and end with whatever you think you are. An example of the sign would be "I AM Strong" followed by the student's name.
- Wednesday, February 28: We will celebrate National Anti-Cyberbully Day by having "Pink Day". Pink is the color of cyberbullying awareness, so please wear any pink that you have and take a stand against cyberbullying.
- Thursday, March 1: "Neon Day" or bright color day. The theme going along with this is "Stand Out and Stand Up Against Bullying".

We hope to see everyone participate this week!

Attention Parents of 6th and 7th Graders Registration News

Parents of current 6th and 7th graders, last Monday you were emailed a course option form for next year's elective classes. This form **must be submitted by this Wednesday**. It is very brief and should take just a couple minutes for you to complete. If you do not receive it, please check your junk or spam folder. If you still do not receive it, contact Janet Robbins at 515.961.9530 x3156 or janet.robbins@indianola.k12.ia.us.

Middle School Dramas this Weekend

Are you looking for a fun way to spend part of your weekend? Attend the middle school drama department's double feature:

Charming and *Cinderstein*. These fractured fairytales are appropriate for all ages and are lots of fun! *Charming* tells the story of the Step Mothers Association's dastardly plot to fool Prince Charming into returning to his old life as a frog. *Cinderstein* is a play within a play. It is the story of a director who is trying to put on a play that combines Cinderella and Frankenstein. However, quite a number of things just are not going well for her with petty squabbles among the cast members, mistaken lines, ad lib issues, and unapproved changes in the plot. The two shows will be performed March 2nd and 3rd in the high school auditorium at 7:00 p.m. Admission is \$5 for students and \$7 for adults.

Please click [Food Service](#) to select February menus.

New Look to ICSD Website

<http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/>

Dates to Remember

March 12 - 16: Spring Break

April 16: No School



SCHOOL NEWS...

Upcoming Band Dates:

Monday, February 26: 6th Grade Band Solo Contest

Monday, March 5: 7th/8th Grade Band Solo Contest

Thursday, March 8: 6th Grade Band/Orchestra/Chorus Concert



ACTIVITY INFO...

Boys 7th and 8th Grade Track

Sign-ups and information packets are now in the office for Boys Track. Practice will start on March 19th for both grades. The coaches are Stacy Garrells, Jared Creason, Zack Kaczmarek, and Jeremy Whalen.

Equipment checkout will take place March 6 after school in the southwest corner of the fieldhouse. The trainer will be there to talk about shoes and stretching.

The parent meeting will be on March 19th in the cafeteria after practice.

As with all sports, students will need an updated physical and Concussion Awareness form on file. Please check with the office if you have questions.

Boys Basketball Team Pictures

Team pictures for Boys 7th and 8th Grade Basketball will be taken this Friday, March 2, at 8:00 a.m. in the Street Gym. Players will be advised at that time on how to order.

Girls Track

Sign-ups for girls 7th and 8th grade track are still in the office. Practice will start March 19 for 8th grade and March 21 for 7th grade. The March 21 practice will start at 4 p.m. due to it being a Wednesday.

There will be a parent/athlete meeting on Thursday, March 1, at 5:30 p.m. in the cafeteria. The meeting should last approximately 30 minutes.

The track coaches are Michelle Lester, Erin March, Jami Daniel, and Keri Sorenson.

As with all sports, students will need an updated physical and Concussion Awareness form on file. Please check with the front office if you have questions.

Girls Track Sweatshirt Order Form

Orders are being taken now thru Friday, March 9, for Girls Track hoodie sweatshirts. The shirts are purple with gold lettering. To see details, select the order form in the [Digital Backpack](#).

Boys Track Sweatshirt Order Form

Orders are being taken now thru Friday, March 9, for Boys Track hoodie sweatshirts. The shirts are gray with purple lettering. To see details, select the order form in the [Digital Backpack](#).

Archery Team

The 2018 Archery team is having its first informational meeting **this Wednesday, February 28, before school from 7:45 to 8:05 a.m.** No experience is required; we will train anyone who's never shot before. The Warren County Izaak Walton League will be providing all equipment, or you can bring your own.

Bring your friends and meet in room 303 to learn more about this opportunity! Contact Sandy Thorup at thorup111666@indianola.k12.ia.us with any questions or for information if you can't make it. We hope to see you there.

This team is not school sponsored.

IHS Girls Soccer Camp for 6th – 8th Graders

Girls in grades 6 thru 8 can spend their spring break training like a high school soccer player. This 5-day camp will be filled with drills and activities, and it will help elevate athletes to the next level. The camp runs March 12-16 from 5:15-6:45 p.m. The cost is \$50. Please go to the [Digital Backpack](#) to see full details listed on the flyer.

Indianola Volleyball Practices

All Indianola girls in grades 3-8 are welcome to attend the Indianola Volleyball select practices listed below. Grades 3-6 will practice 6:30 – 7:45 p.m., and grades 6-8 will practice 7:45 – 9:00 p.m. Practices will be held in the high school's North gym.

Thursdays: March 8, 22, 29; April 5
Tuesdays: April 10, 24
Monday: April 16

Indianola Athletic Boosters

We started the year with a lofty goal of 600 Indianola Athletic Booster members. We are now at 615! Are you a member yet? It is easy to become one. Please go to www.indianolaathletics.com now to support our athletes, coaches, and programs. They depend on IABC to fund everything from uniforms to equipment & much more.

Indianola Little League

Please click [digital backpack](#) to view the 2018 Little League flyer. Contact Bobby Shepherd, bobbyshepherd51@gmail.com, with questions.

Check Out the District Event Calendar

<http://www.littlehawkeyeconference.com/public/genie/206/school/645/>

Study Table for Middle School Athletes

On Wednesdays due to the early out, we have an option for our student athletes. When school ends at 2:20, students may stay in a supervised area to do homework or read until practice starts at approximately 3:50. Students who sign up for Study Table are expected to be there each Wednesday during the season unless a parent calls in or writes a note to excuse them ahead of time.

Please click [here](#) and select *Study Table form* for details.

Athletics

IMS Activities Schedule link: <http://www.littlehawkeyeconference.com>



GENERAL INFORMATION...

Heal House of Iowa

Heal House of Iowa is a group of volunteers, who have filed for non-profit status, committed to taking care of homeless individuals in Warren County and establishing a shelter in Indianola. Please click [Digital Backpack](#) to see the flyer with full details.

Backpacks 4 Hunger

No Child Goes Hungry over the Weekend

ALL students eligible for this program

Backpacks are filled with meals and snacks for the weekend and are sent home with students on Friday. The backpacks and contents are provided by donations from the Indianola community.

TO SIGN UP: Call 961-5755 or contact your student's school counselor.

Students, parents, employees and others doing business with or performing services for the Indianola Community School District are hereby notified that this school district does not discriminate on the basis of age (except students), race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic status, creed or marital status in admission or access to, or treatment in, its programs and activities.

The school district does not discriminate on the basis of age (except students), race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, socioeconomic status, creed or marital status in admission or access to, or treatment in, its hiring and employment practices. Any person having inquiries concerning the school district's compliance with the regulations implementing Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), § 504 or Iowa Code § 280.3 is directed to contact:

504 Coordinator
Indianola Community School District
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who has been designated by the school district to coordinate the school district's efforts to comply with the regulations implementing Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, the ADA, § 504 and Iowa Code 280.3 (2007).

Anti-Bullying/Harassment (Ref. School Board Policy 104) Harassment and bullying of students and employees are against federal, state and local policy, and are not tolerated by the board. The board is committed to providing all students with a safe and civil school environment in which all members of the school community are treated with dignity and respect. To that end, the board has in place policies, procedures, and practices that are designed to reduce and eliminate bullying and harassment as well as processes and procedures to deal with incidents of bullying and harassment. Bullying and harassment of students by other students, by school employees, and by volunteers who have direct contact with students will not be tolerated in the school or school district. Concerns can be reported to the building administration by phone, email, or in person. Board Policy forms 04E1 and 104E2, along with additional bullying and harassment policy information can be obtained from the district website or from the main office.