



# INDIANOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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## WEEK OF JANUARY 15, 2018

### Reader of the Week:



Joe Strange

### Yearbook Large Group Picture Day

Large group pictures will be taken this Friday, January 19. Students who are in Band, Orchestra, Chorus, or other activities are to look for signs posted around the school for their designated picture time. They are to arrive at the fieldhouse five minutes before that time. If they are unsure of their time, they should check with the office. Students are expected to know when to head to the fieldhouse—teachers will not be announcing dismissals.



## SCHOOL NEWS...

### New Look to School District Website

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

Please click [here](#) to select January menus.

### Please Bring Your License when you Visit the School

If you have been a visitor to any of our Indianola schools during a typical day, you have been asked to show your license the first time so that a sticker could be given to you before you walk around the building.

We will be getting an upgrade to this security screening system, which is a good thing. However, we will not have access to past visitor records, so we will need to scan every person's license/ID as if it were their first visit.

**This upgrade will take place TODAY, so beginning January 16, 2018, every visitor will be required to show their license.**

Please keep in mind, if you are just coming into the main office you will not need to show your ID. If you are going anywhere else in the building during school hours, however, you will.

Thank you for your cooperation.

## Lost and Found

Between the gyms, locker rooms, and lost-and-found, the school is getting bogged down with clothes and other unclaimed items. All these items will be donated within the next week or two. If students are missing something, they should check with their PE teachers or the lost-and-found.

## Yearbook Deadline Approaches

Why should you buy one? So that in the future you have proof that you REALLY did wear your hair that way!

Yearbooks are now on sale. Go to [www.Jostens.com](http://www.Jostens.com).

- Books are \$30 until the end of sales on February 28.
- Not sure if you bought one? Check out the list on the lunchroom window. We update it weekly.
- Please do not bring money to school. You must order books online or at conferences in February.
- Questions? [William.damman@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:William.damman@indianola.k12.ia.us).

## Important News for Parents of 8<sup>th</sup> Graders

**Job Shadow Day** will take place February 2. **Please read, print, sign, and return [this form](#) by January 22nd.** You may also fill out [this form](#) electronically and email it to [lacey.cherniss@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:lacey.cherniss@indianola.k12.ia.us) with a typed signature.

### 8th grade Registration Events

#### Parent Meeting

Date/Time: January 29, 7:00 PM

Location: High School Auditorium

This is the first orientation meeting where the students will receive registration material. Please bring a pen or pencil. All 8<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents/guardians are encouraged to attend. For those unable to attend, Mrs. Cherniss will have extra copies of materials available for students after the meeting.

#### High School Counselor Q&A at Conferences

Date/Time: February 13, 4-8 PM and February 15, 4-8 PM

Location: Middle School 8th Grade Hallway

\*Conference times are for Q&A. You may turn in your completed registration sheet, but do NOT have to at that time.

#### Work Sessions

Date/Time: February 19-22, 3:30-6:30 PM

Location: High School Media Center

\*Work sessions at the high school are arena style; no individual appointments. You may work with any counselor available. We will collect completed sheets at that time.

*If this is your 2nd or 3rd child and you are comfortable on your own, you can turn in your completed registration form to Mrs. Cherniss.*

**All Registrations Must be Turned in by March 2**



## ACTIVITY INFO...

### 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.

### 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](http://www.indianolaathletics.com) now to support our athletes, coaches, and programs. They depend on IABC to fund everything from uniforms to equipment & much more.

### Check Out the District Event Calendar

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

## 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 [here](#) and select Digital Backpack located halfway down page 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  
1304 East 2nd Avenue  
Indianola, IA 50125  
515 961-9500

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.