



INDIANOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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WEEK OF
March 7, 2022...



****IF YOU ATTEND THE ZONE, PLEASE READ****

**Due to staff shortages, The Zone's last day for this school year will be
this Thursday, March 10th.**

8th Graders, your high school course registration form must be turned in to the office as soon as possible! Make sure your parent/guardian has signed it.

Spring Break Next Week

No School March 14 – March 18



IMS Track Hoodies

IMS Track hoodie order forms are in the office. The deadline to order is Friday, March 11.

Boys Locker Room

Anyone who participated in a winter sport, please be sure to clean any belongings out of the locker room before spring break. After break, the track and field members will be using the space. Items left over will be donated or discarded.

6th and 7th Graders – It's Time to Choose Your Classes for Next Year

Students, last week on March 3, your parent/guardian was emailed a form to choose your classes for next year. We need to have one form completed for each student. Please check with your adult and make sure you submit your class choices **by this Wednesday, March 9.**

The 8th Grade Social Studies Team Invites You to Delve Day!

On Wednesday, March 23, the 8th grade students will be presenting their Delve and National History Day projects. Everyone is invited. Please click on the link for times and details.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1X30vsUNwvy-wfMFQWY-iiPD60T8yt7VSbwgYAkFZcil/edit?usp=sharing>

Student Dress Code

As we head toward warmer weather, students and parents, please take a moment to read the Student Appearance section of the handbook to find out what clothing is appropriate. It can be found starting on page 19. Here is the [link](#).

Warren County Freestyle Club for Wrestlers

Students in grades 6 thru 12 who want to learn or improve wrestling skills are invited to Freestyle Club. The first practice is March 21 at Indianola High School.

All the details can be found on the flyer that will be added to the district [backpack](#) later today.

Contact Coach Manny if you have questions: clint.manny@indianola.k12.ia.us.

Volleyball Advantage Indianola

The Indianola High School Volleyball coaching staff is inviting girls in 3rd thru 8th grade to come join the fun of the sport during open gyms in March and April. Check out the [Advantage flyer](#) on the district website for all the times and details.



SCHOOL NEWS...

Attention 8th Grade: IMS Spirit Basketball Game/Fundraiser

The IMS Student Council is sponsoring a Staff/Student Spirit Basketball Game to raise money to support the recently established Mighty Maddy Foundation. Maddy Snow was a former classmate of the 8th grade class.

Participants will include members of the IMS coaching/teaching staff and 8th grade students who register by the deadline. The coaches will do their best to maximize participation in the event.

Please click on the link below for more information and the registration form.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1bayxyzXpki33sFOrcrcIBGbZg2Bvyp7uZZ916DFAKE/edit>

District Website:

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

Information Technology Department:

<https://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/departments/information-technology/>

Middle School Website Page

<https://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/school/indianola-middle-school/>

Dates to Remember:

Monday, March 14 thru Friday, March 18: Spring Break

Monday, April 11: No School

Friday, May 27: Last Day of School (1:50 Dismissal for IMS)

Office Information

Phone Numbers: 515.961.9530 Main Office 515.961.9535 Fax

Attendance Line: 515.961.9530 x3162

Principal: Mrs. Kristy Ellis

Asst. Principal: Mr. Mike O'Meara

6th Grade Counselor: Mrs. Tiffany Cochran

7th Grade Counselor: Mrs. Lacey Cherniss

8th Grade Counselor: Ms. Tina Chaplin

Office Hours: 7:00am – 4:00 (3:30 on Fridays)

From the ICSD Food Service Department:

As schools across the country work diligently to finish last minute preparations for the new school year, we are being faced with unprecedented supply chain challenges. These issues are forcing us to alter our posted menus, at times with little to no notice. While our intention is to serve the posted menu each day at every building throughout the district, supply concerns will not make this possible throughout the year. We will attempt to substitute the original menu item with an item that is similar in nature, and still meets State and Federal requirements. We appreciate your patience and understanding! Please continue to check our online menus often at: <https://indianola.nutrislice.com/menu/>

And, Reminder: Meals are free to all students again this year!
<https://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/departments/food-service/>

Free Tutoring Available on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Parents, if your middle school child is in need of some extra help, you can sign them up for tutoring. IMS teachers are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:40-4:30 in the library.

Please email or call your child's teacher in the subject where assistance is needed. Let them know that you would like your child to attend tutoring. Include the day(s) that your child will attend, and the date that they'll be starting. Also, include a phone number where you can be reached.

Our teachers are ready to help!



ACTIVITY INFO...

IMS 6th Grade Book Worms Club

Sixth graders, a new club called Book Worms is starting!

Please see these [slides](#) for more details.

Middle School Bowling

Students interested in bowling, click [here](#) for details about a fun league (camp) that will start on March 1.

7th & 8th Grade Track Sign-Ups

Track practice will start Monday, March 21. More details will be sent in the coming weeks.

Girls:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScWSShwPnboqItOYiTVKhqciqASOQIAo-QV5gwGMO6CsTJTYQ/viewform?usp=sf_link

Boys: More info to come

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfdDWi_KIOk1VLfjkLonc5AwaCEB_cuyNIH_jxcRKaqjXwONg/viewform?usp=sf_link

Veterinary Camp at Kindness Pet Clinic for 6th – 8th Graders

Kindness Pet Clinic is hosting 2-hour veterinary camps for students in grades 6-8. The first three camp dates are March 27, April 10, and May 22. The camp will allow students to interact with veterinarians and staff while getting to do hands-on activities. Each student may attend one camp session.

Attendees must fill out an application. These are available, along with a more in-depth description of the camp and requirements for participation, at the Kindness Pet Clinic (1007 E 2nd Avenue). A parent will be required to sign a waiver and attend with their student.

KPC is excited to meet the next generation of veterinarians and scientists of all disciplines!

IMS Gender and Sexuality Alliance

The IMS GSA - Gender and Sexuality Alliance is a social and support group for members or allies of the LGBTQ+ community. We will meet the first and third Tuesday of each month in room 411 to share experiences, support one another, and participate in various activities and volunteer opportunities within the community

If you are interested in attending a GSA meeting or have questions, please reach out to Ms. Cohen.



GENERAL INFORMATION...

Live Online Homework Help

The community libraries in Iowa are providing access to a live online homework help site called Brainfuse HelpNow. Through the website, students can access live tutors for help, upload writing assignments to be analyzed and to obtain helpful comments, ask a quick question, and more. Live help is available from 2pm-11pm every day. Brainfuse also offers a "skills surfer" to reinforce concepts, as well as targeted lessons, quizzes, and online tutoring for ACT, SAT, and GED tests. Go to the public library website at

https://www.brainfuse.com/highed/helpNow.asp?a_id=DAE9AC12&ss=&r=. Click Brainfuse HelpNow, Login, then Sign up.

For more information, see <https://www.brainfuse.com/jsp/company/faq.jsp>, or ask your local or school librarian.