



INDIANOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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NEW THE WEEK OF November 14, 2022...

Battle of the Books

If you are participating in Battle of the Books (BOB), this is just a reminder to keep reading books from [this list](#). Testing to determine our team of six students will occur in late January or early February, and the online competition will be held on April 14. This year's guest author at the competition will be Kelly Baptist. Her book *The Swag Is in the Socks* is the extra book that all BOB participants should read for the competition.

Do You Love Math? MathCounts is for You!

If your student enjoys solving math problems and would like to be challenged in this way, encourage participation in the MathCounts Competition Series. MathCounts is a wonderful experience that will enhance a love of math. You can read more about the program at <http://mathcounts.org/programs/competition-series>.

The regional competition will be held in Ankeny on February 15. Until then, weekly practices will be held at 7:00 am starting the week of November 28; the day of the week will be determined based on which day of the week the most students can attend, and students will indicate this on the sign-up sheet. Students can sign up on Mrs. Asell's door at room 601 by Tuesday, November 22. Students should see Mrs. Asell if they want to participate but are involved in music activities every morning.

Calling All Current 6th and 7th Graders

Are you interested in snorkeling, swimming with manatees, and learning about marine life in Florida? If so, this Science trip is for you. Come to the meeting to see how you can join Mrs. Strable and Mrs. Fitzpatrick in June of 2024!

The informational meeting for the 2024 Science trip to Florida will be held tonight, Monday, November 14, at 7:00 PM in the Middle School Library.

If you are unable to attend this meeting, don't worry, there will be a video link sent after the meeting so you can get all of the same information. Keep checking the newsletter for more information.

Visit this [link](#) to learn more. Contact Mrs. Fitzpatrick with questions. chris.fitzpatrick@indianola.k12.ia.us

Congratulations, Mrs. Wright!

A shout out and congratulations to one of our teachers. Family and Consumer Science teacher Mrs. Wright was recently selected as the Young Educator of the Year by the IFCSE (Iowa Family and Consumer Science Education) Organization. This is a very high honor for teachers across the state. Way to go, Mrs. Wright!

Order Your Yearbook Before the Price Goes Up!

You can now order your 22-23 IMS yearbook through [Jostens](#). The cost right now is \$25. It will increase during winter break!

You may also bring a check (made payable to IMS) or exact cash to Mr. Damman at school (room 507).

Parents, if you thought you ordered an IMS yearbook at the time you paid for school curriculum fees at the beginning of the year, you did not. The option is not available through our website or Revtrak for IMS yearbooks. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Damman @

William.damman@indianola.k12.ia.us.



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Wrestling Apparel

Please visit the link below for the 2022-23 Wrestling Apparel online store:

[2022-23 INDY Wrestling Online Store](#)

The deadline is TODAY, November 14th.

8th Graders Dungeon and Dragons Club

Any 8th graders that would like to sign up for Dungeons and Dragons club should fill out the google form below. The club started November 1. If you are not sure if you want to join or not yet, you may absolutely come down and watch for a session or two, and then decide if you want to join. If you are nervous because you have never played before, or don't know how to play, DON'T WORRY!! Mr. Weepie has created very simple, easy to follow rules and cheat sheets for any level of player. If there are any questions regarding the club, please email Mr. Weepie. Mr. Weepie and Mr. Rodrigue hope to see many smiling faces ready to go on a Mystical Adventure next Tuesday in room 806. Below is a link to sign up.

Google Form: [D&D Club Sign Up](#)

Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA)

7th and 8th Grade girls basketball and wrestling.

You are invited to join us in room 303 in the Blake Fieldhouse from 2:30 to 3:30 each Wednesday for a new Fellowship of Christian Athletes huddle!

You do not need to sign in at Study Table, come directly to room 303 at 2:30 and sign in there.

Please contact janamcgraw@hotmail.com with any questions.

CHROMEBOOK NEWS

Students, if your Chromebook is in for repair, please be on the lookout for emails notifying you when the repair is complete. You will need to then exchange the loaner computer for your assigned one.

FAILURE TO EXCHANGE DEVICES WITHIN 3 SCHOOL DAYS OF BEING EMAILED WILL RESULT IN THE LOANER CHROMEBOOK BEING DISABLED.

Has Your Address Changed Recently? Will it Be Changing?

Are you moving? Or have you recently moved? The parent/guardian needs to complete the Change of Address form and provide acceptable proof of residency to the District Enrollment Coordinator. Please do so in a timely manner, as changes can take 2-3 business days to update.

[Change of Address Form](#)

More information may be found here: [ICSD Change of Address](#)

Please refer to the [22-23 IMS Handbook](#) for all procedures, policies, and guidelines.

Popular Apps that Parents Should Know About

Click [Smart Social](#) for details.

After School Tutoring Parent Permission Slip Linked Below

Once again, IMS is offering free after school tutoring on Tuesdays and Thursdays. It begins tomorrow, September 13th, in the library. Parents must sign their child up before they can attend. Please click on the link for the registration form and details.

[Tutoring Registration Form](#)

Purchasing Tickets to Middle School Athletic Events

Cash Only is accepted to purchase tickets at the gate. There is not an option to buy tickets online, and we do not accept credit/debit cards. Admission is \$3 for everyone.

Parent Facebook Groups

Want to know all of the school and community activities for your child's class? Join their Indianola Parent FB group! These pages are designed to be an inclusive catchall for activities, clubs, events, success stories, and opportunities to support IMS.

2027 (8th Grade): <https://www.facebook.com/groups/308102234349293/>

2028 (7th Grade): <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1386800961472755/>

2029 (6th Grade): <https://www.facebook.com/groups/509461217003504/>

Dates to Remember:

Tuesday, November 22: One Hour Early Dismissal (2:20 for IMS)

November 23-25: No School, Thanksgiving Break

December 22: One Hour Early Dismissal (2:20 for IMS)

December 23 – January 3: No School, Winter Break

Wednesday, January 4: Classes resume

Friday, January 13: No School

Monday, January 16: No School

Backpacks 4 Hunger No Child Goes Hungry Over the Weekend

Backpacks are filled Friday and sent home with meals and snacks for the weekend. Backpacks and contents are provided by donations in the community of Indianola.

ALL students are eligible.

TO SIGN UP: Contact 961-5755 Or
Your school counselor at 515-961-9530

Counselor Emails:

- Tina Chaplin (6th Grade): tina.chaplin@indianola.k12.ia.us
- Tiffany Cochran (7th Grade): tiffany.cochran@indianola.k12.ia.us
- Lacey Cherniss (8th Grade): lacey.cherniss@indianola.k12.ia.us

Associates Needed at IMS

Do you want to earn extra cash? Do you want to be off in the summers? Do you want to make a difference in children's lives? Do you want to work with a fun, supportive team?

If so, become a Special Education Associate at Indianola Middle School! We have openings for the upcoming 22-23 school year, and we'd love to have you join us.

Click [Apply](#) for more information.

Thinking of Substitute Teaching?

Schools everywhere are in need of substitute teachers. Here is a way to get authorized through AEA Learning Online. Indianola's current sub pay is \$140 per day. Please share this with anyone you know who might be interested.

<https://training.aealearningonline.org/course/2204419999/catalog>