



# INDIANOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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## WEEK OF OCTOBER 23, 2017

### Reader of the Week:



**Alexis  
Budding**

### Band News

This Saturday, October 28, is the Sixth Annual Music Boosters Craft & Vendor Show. It will be in the Blake Fieldhouse from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is \$3 and all proceeds go to support IMS music programs. Over 100 vendors will be there. Be sure to stop by and shop, and invite all your friends! Click [here](#) to sign up to volunteer or to donate food. Click [here](#) to see the flyer.

### Monday, October 23



## SCHOOL NEWS...

### Menu

Please click [here](#) to see the breakfast and lunch menus for the month of October. Student lunches are \$2.90, adults \$3.55, and an extra milk is \$0.40.

### Veterans Assembly

The Veterans assembly will take place in the Blake Fieldhouse at 9:45 a.m. on November 10. Please invite veterans and their families to join us as we honor all who served. Veterans will want to arrive at least 15 minutes early. A reception for these brave men, women, and their families will follow in the multi-purpose room (room 303).



### Chat 'n Chew

Chat 'n Chew is a book discussion group for sixth graders. It meets the third Thursday of the month during sixth grade lunch. Students may share what they are reading and find out news from the library. Ms. Brown, the YA librarian from the public library, usually joins us as well. Students should see Mrs. Wanamaker or a sixth grade language arts teacher for details.

### Dates to Remember

October 23 – No School  
November 2 & 3 – No School  
November 22, 23, & 24 – No School, Thanksgiving Break  
December 22 – 1 Hour Early Dismissal, Winter Break Begins  
December 25 thru January 2 – Winter Break

## Breaking News Movie

Save the date, November 17, to watch the premiere of *Breaking News*. Mr. Dubczak and his movie making class have been hard at work this quarter producing this entertaining film and would like everyone to join them on the 17<sup>th</sup> at 7p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Admission is \$3 for students, \$5 for adults, and \$15 family maximum.

A DVD will be available for order in the office this week. The cost is \$10. Orders are due by November 20. A limited number will be available for purchase the night of the premiere.

Click on the link below to view the movie trailer and a teaser scene:

[https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLeHWmmHo2byJqoM\\_vE7\\_Qlx6HxUW9xIT](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLeHWmmHo2byJqoM_vE7_Qlx6HxUW9xIT)



## Book Fair News



IMS will host a book fair during the week of conferences. The fair will be in the library during the following dates and times:

October 31: 4 - 8 p.m.

November 1: 2:30 - 3:50 p.m.

November 2: 1 - 8 p.m.

Students will also have a chance to preorder a copy of the new Wimpy Kid book *The Getaway*. Mrs. Wanamaker is also looking for parent volunteers to help with the book fair during the above-listed times. You can contact her at [karma.wanamaker@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:karma.wanamaker@indianola.k12.ia.us).

You may also visit and order items on the online book fair. It will be open from October 25 thru November 7. Books will be sent to the school after November 7.

Follow this link:

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/homepage.do?method=homepage&url=indianolamiddleschool1>

## Yearbooks

IMS yearbooks are now on sale. Students may check the list of purchased books on the cafeteria window to see if they ordered one. If questions, contact Bill Damman, yearbook advisor, [William.damman@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:William.damman@indianola.k12.ia.us).

Please do not send money to school with your students. To purchase a book, go to <http://www.jostens.com/yearbooks/high-school-yearbooks.html>. Yearbooks will also be sold at both fall and winter Parent/Teacher conferences. The cost is \$25. Sales will end February 28. As with past years, no extras will be ordered, so order today!

## School District Website

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

Dear Parents,

### Conference Schedule

Tuesday, October 31 4:00-8:00  
Wednesday, November 1 2:30-3:50  
Thursday, November 2 1:00-8:00 No School for Students Today **\*REVISED TIME\***  
Friday, November 3 No School

### Student-led Conferences

The middle school core teachers can have up to 150 students whom they teach. There are not enough time slots available to schedule every family within the conference times in a way similar to the elementary and high school buildings.

As students transition to becoming young adults, we want to increase their active involvement in assessing their individual learning. Students need to be present at their conferences to share their report card and samples of their work from their portfolio. When the student led conference is finished, please see the student's teachers to discuss any questions and concerns.

Empty portfolio envelopes may be returned to the cafeteria or classrooms for reuse this spring. If parents are attending separately, please leave the portfolio contents/envelope in the crate for the other parent. If you need copies, please go to the office. Eighth graders will have an electronic portfolio to view.

- 6<sup>th</sup> and 7th grade families will start in the cafeteria to review portfolios.
- 8th grade families will start in the library to review electronic portfolios.
- Families can then move to the core wings to see the core teachers. Industrial Technology, music, health, PE, Family and Consumer Science, and art teachers will be in their individual classrooms.

Next steps:

- The core teachers will be located in the language arts classroom of each grade level wing.
- There will be five parent/student stations spaced apart in order to provide privacy.
- When one group leaves the room, another family will enter.

Please keep your conferences with each teacher to 10 minutes, and schedule a follow-up meeting if necessary. Teachers will have a scheduled break for dinner. They will post their breaks in the team newsletter, which is linked to each teacher's Power School Welcome page. If you do not have a Parent Power School Account, please call the district's technology department at 961-9590 ext. 2550.

### Conference Format for Teachers

- Present student "I Can" learning statements
- Present data related to learning (grades, portfolio work, skill checklists, etc.)
- Discuss work habits (work completion, participation, on-task behavior, etc.)
- Discuss how to improve learning (goals, work habits, etc.)
- Answer parent questions

If the student-led conference format does not meet your needs, you can schedule a team meeting with many of the core teachers before school, after school, or during their team planning time.

We look forward to seeing you at conferences.

Annette Jauron, Principal

## Middle School Dance

The first dance of the year will be on Friday, November 10, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the Blake Fieldhouse. The admission is \$1. There will also be an optional canned food drive.

Please click here for all the dance details: <http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/middle-school/pdfs/2015/WebsiteSchoolDancesDescription.pdf>

If you would like to volunteer, please click here: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044ba4aa28a1f85-indianola1>



## Internet Safety Parent Meeting and Student Assembly

**\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE—THESE PRESENTATIONS HAVE BEEN CANCELLED. WE WILL UPDATE YOU IF/WHEN THEY ARE RESCHEDULED.\*\*\***

Karen Gale, FBI Victims Specialist, will be hosting a parent/community presentation addressing Internet safety. Specific topics she will be discussing are sexting, cyber bullying, identity theft, online predators, and safeguards. She will also be showing a 20-minute human trafficking video about Iowa girls. The presentation will take place on Wednesday, November 15, in the high school auditorium at 7 p.m. This meeting is for parents/adults only.

Gale will be touching upon cyber bullying and appropriate use of technology earlier that day with students during grade-level assemblies at the middle school.

To see an overview of Gale's presentation, click [here](#) and select *Internet Safety*.

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## ACTIVITY INFO...

### 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Girls' Basketball

**Reminder:** There is a parent meeting after practice this Tuesday in the Blake Fieldhouse.

#### **7th grade Practices 3:30-5:00**

Coaches Stacy Evans & Rita Bunting

**Start date: October 19**

Parent meeting October 24, 4:45

Apparel: basketball shoes or athletic shoes, shorts and t-shirt. Water bottle optional.

Where: the Blake Fieldhouse \*we will provide an area for the meeting.

#### **8th grade practices 3:30-5:30**

Coaches Mindy Percy & Kevin Huss

**Start date: October 19**

Parent meeting October 24, 5:30

Apparel: basketball shoes or athletic shoes, shorts and t-shirt. Water bottle optional.

Where: the Blake Fieldhouse \*we will provide an area for the meeting.

### Indianola Volleyball Club Clinics

Please click [here](#) and select *Indianola Volleyball Clinics* for information on upcoming clinics. If you have questions, please send an email to [parkerjam5@yahoo.com](mailto:parkerjam5@yahoo.com).

### Basketball Fan Gear Online Store Now Open

Shop now until October 30 for t-shirts, sweatshirts, and polo shirts.

[https://www.bsnteamsports.com/v3/shop/team\\_shop/KhDCxsjrhX#/#/](https://www.bsnteamsports.com/v3/shop/team_shop/KhDCxsjrhX#/)

### Indianola High School Drama

Before Peter met Wendy, there was another story...*Peter and the Star-Catcher*. The IHS drama department will present their fall play on October 26, 27, and 28 at 7 p.m. in high school auditorium. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$7 for students, and senior citizens are free. Please click [here](#) and select *Peter and the Star-Catcher* to see the flyer.

### Indianola Youth Wrestling

Please click [here](#) and select Indianola Mat Tribe for details on Indianola's youth wrestling club.

### Show Your Support for Indianola Wrestling

If you would like to order this season's wrestling apparel, follow this link: <https://www.ironside-apparel.com/SearchResults.asp?Cat=1871>

Orders will be accepted through October 31.

### Indianola Athletic Boosters

We started the year with a lofty goal of 600 Indianola Athletic Booster members. We are so close to meeting that! Currently, we are at 577 members—just 23 more and we make our goal. Are you a member yet? It's 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.

## Athletics

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

## Watch School Events Online!

<http://www.nfhsnetwork.com/>

## Check Out the District Event Calendar

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

## Athletic Fundraising Cards

Are you looking for a way to get great deals and support Indianola athletics? The Indianola fundraising card is the answer! For just \$20, you will get discounts at restaurants and retailers such as Applebee's, Pizza Ranch, Jethro's, Outback Steakhouse, Downey Tire Pros, Indy 66, Fareway, and many more. There are cards still available at the middle school. You may pay with cash or check (made out to Indianola Schools). Please click [here](#) and select *Athletic Fundraising Card* to see all the deals.



## GENERAL INFORMATION...

## 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 and volunteers in 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 04E2, along with additional bullying and harassment policy information can be obtained from the district website or from the main office.