



INDIANOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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NEW THE WEEK OF October 31, 2022...

Award Recipients

The students listed below were nominated by a teacher for showing Personal Responsibility in Daily Effort through their outstanding work, great effort, exceptional behavior, or good citizenship. They were recognized during our P.R.I.D.E. Plus ceremony last week.

Averi Beck, Justice Bowen, Lucy Howe, Tyler Hoyla, Jude Kellow, Williams Ransom, Ryen Sadler, Kaiden Smith, Aaliyah Tieszen, Blake Allen, Brogan Boswell, Jack Brown, Raegan Burrows, Isabella Carroll, Hunter Criger, Kash Downard, Nathan Hawn, Kaelee Holter, Ava Koch, Chase Martinez, Gracie Ritchie, Charli Sadler, Alena Woosley, Thomas Blanchard, Hadley Erickson, Mea Fehrer, Mia Fleury, Olivia Graf, Leia Graham, Sam Gripp, Lucy Hanika, Jackson Johnson, Carson Keller, Liam McWilliams, Grady Nelsen, Haley New, Owen Welling, Joviee Wilson

We'd like to thank People's State Bank for sponsoring this quarter's award ceremony.

Picture Retake Day - Tuesday, November 1st

- If your student took their picture on the original date, but you are requesting a retake: Student should return the original pictures to the photographer tomorrow.
- If your student did not get their picture taken on the original date, but you completed an order form already: Student will just go at the designated time.
- If your student did not get their picture taken on the original date, and you have not filled out an order form: We have some order forms in the office. Or, you can order after you receive a proof.

Wrestling Apparel

Please visit the link below for the 2022-23 Wrestling Apparel online store:
[2022-23 INDY Wrestling Online Store](#)

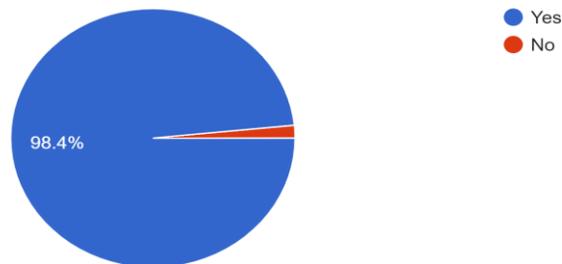
Seatbelts are for Everyone (SAFE)

The SAFE ([Seatbelts Are For Everyone](#)) program is a DCCCA initiative developed in 2008 which is focused on increasing teen restraint compliance through education, positive rewards, and enforcement. This teen-run peer-to-peer program is designed to reduce the number of motor vehicle-related injuries and fatalities among teens. For more than a decade, the SAFE program has been a part of KTSRO. In 2014, the program was added in [Oklahoma](#). In 2016, we brought the program to [Missouri](#), and SAFE expanded to [Iowa](#) in 2021.

Indianola Middle School Student Council is supporting the SAFE program this year. Students were surveyed recently on their habits and driver's habits. Information gathered from the survey is below:

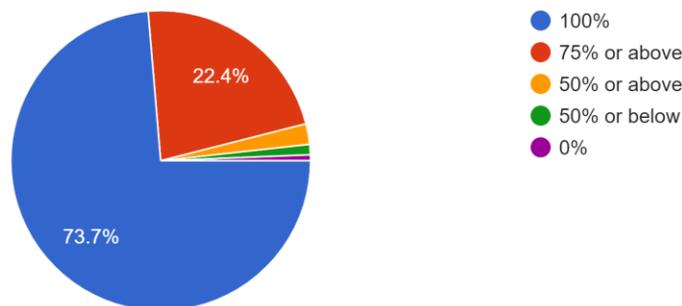
Please select: The last time you rode in a vehicle was the driver wearing a seatbelt?

630 responses



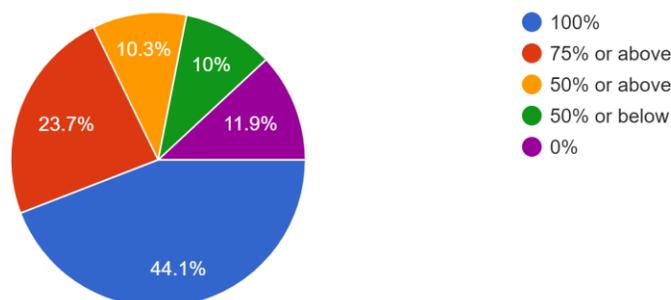
Please check the choice: What percentage of the time are the Drivers Belted when you are a passenger?

630 responses



Please check the choice: What percentage of the time are you encouraging parents, friends, others to wear seatbelts while you are the passenger?

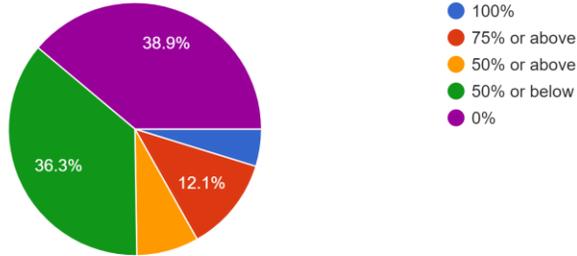
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SAFE Survey Info Contd...

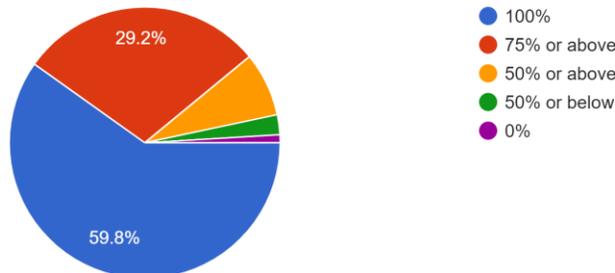
Please check the choice: What percentage of the time is the Driver Distracted when you are a passenger? Distractions include the following: eating while driving, using their cell phone, make-up, music, distracted by friends.

630 responses



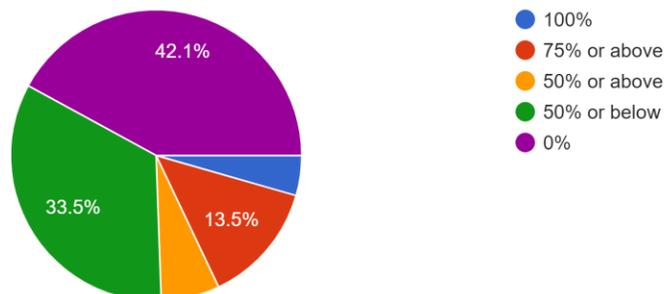
Please check the choice: What percentage of the time are the Passengers Belted when you are a passenger?

630 responses



Please check the choice: What percentage of the time is the Driver Distracted when you are a passenger? Distractions include the following: Eating while driving, using the cell phone, impaired driving, anything that can distract.

630 responses



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 in the announcements. The club will start next Tuesday November 1, for anyone that is interested. 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](#)

*****Middle School Dance*****

The first dance of the year will take place Friday, November 11th from 7-9pm in the fieldhouse! Admission is \$1. Students are encouraged to donate canned goods which will go to Helping Hand.

Girls Basketball Players *Read This*

Girls Basketball Picture Day is this Wednesday, November 2. As a reminder, Wednesday is a scheduled early-out. All Girls Basketball Athletes will need to stay after school, regardless if they are signed up for study tables or FCA. They will meet in the Blake Fieldhouse. After pictures, athletes will go to practice which will end at its regular scheduled time.



Veterans Day Assembly Invite a Special Veteran

The Veterans Day Assembly will be held this year at 9:30 am on Thursday, November 10, in the IMS Fieldhouse. Copies of the [invitation](#) are available in the Communication Center outside the office. Students are encouraged to take one to give to each veteran in their lives so that we can honor their service. The assembly will be streamed into classrooms, and that's how most students will view it this year. However, if a veteran invited by a student attends the assembly, then that student will be excused from class at 9:20 to meet that veteran and any guests in room 303. Students just need to let their teacher know that they're leaving class to join their veteran at the assembly.



POSTED PREVIOUSLY...

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.

News from the YMCA

Youth Strength Fall Sessions begin Oct 31st. Registration is open for kids looking to improve strength or gain more confidence as they progress to the weight room and enhance athletic performance. This is for athletes and non-athletes alike! For more information contact: Rebecca Verwers, 515.777.7746 or at Rebecca.verwers@dmymca.org

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.

Driver Education Instructors Needed

Indianola Community School District partners with StreetSmarts to provide drivers education to students in our district, and they are currently looking for local instructors.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact Ed Jennings at 515.210.8355 or streetsmartsiowa@gmail.com.

Yearbook Orders

You can now order your 22-23 IMS yearbook through [Jostens](#). The cost is \$25. 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.

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/>

Battle of the Books

The Battle of the Books (BOB) 2022-23 competition will be online this spring. All interested IMS students are encouraged to read as many BOB books as possible from [this list](#). The books on this list are the Iowa Teen Awards books. This year's competition guest author has yet to be announced, but an extra book will be added to the BOB reading list once this is determined. Further announcements will be made when the guest author's book title is released.

A test will be held this winter to determine which six students will be chosen to represent IMS at the regional Battle of the Books online competition. Feel free to visit the [BOB website](#). Contact Mrs. Asell with any questions at stacy.asell@indianola.k12.ia.us.

Happy Reading!

We Want our Students to be Involved!

There are many ways for students to get involved at school. Just a few of the groups and clubs offered are Mock Trial, DAA, Yearbook Staff, Art Club, MathCounts, and many more!

Here is a link to the Activities section of the IMS webpage:

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

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.aeallearningonline.org/course/2204419999/catalog>