

GENERAL INFORMATION:

RETURNING TO ON SITE INSTRUCTION: Last day to declare if your student will be returning back to on site instruction is Thursday, February 11.

PARKING ILLEGALLY: Yes, we know it's cold outside and you don't want to walk far, BUT you are still not allowed to park in the yellow lines in the parking lot. This causes several issues. We have let it go the last couple of days, but we are seeing more violations. Plan ahead and leave earlier from home, wear a coat and hat and you will be able to find a wonderful parking spot with a short jaunt to the attendance office.

If this continues we will begin handing out violations/tickets. It states on the parking/driving registration form you filled out: *"If a student is parked illegally anywhere on school grounds, the student will be issued a \$5 ticket for the first offense. On the second offense the student will be issued a \$10 ticket. The ticket will need to be paid in the main office. A third offense will result in the vehicle being towed immediately at the owner's expense."*

NO SCHOOL: Reminder there is no school on Friday, February 12 as it is a teacher workday.

Congratulations to our graphic design students whose final project was to develop menus for the local restaurant Pete's. Here is the article from the Indianola Advocate. <u>https://www.indianola-ia.com/news/pete-s-pizza-to-debut-new-signage-menus-and-swag-thanks-to-ihs-art-students/article_ac10e110-68e2-11eb-9e9e-2f019b24832e.html</u>

Masks: Our return to learn plan has not changed. Masks are still required to be worn by students and staff.

Parent Teacher Conferences for 9th-12th Grade

Spring conferences are open to schedule. We will again be utilizing an online conference scheduler for your convenience. **Conferences are Tuesday, February 16th from 4:00-8:00, Wednesday, February 17th from 2:20-4:00, and Thursday, February 18th from 1:00-8:00.** Each scheduled conference will be a 10 minute Zoom call. In order to be respectful of everyone's time, it is very important to maintain the schedule. To register for your child's Zoom conference call, please see the link and directions below. www.ptcscheduling.com/app/login.asp?HID=98796873

- 1. Click on the link above to access the Parent/Teacher Scheduling program.
- 2. Create your own personal registration by completing the information on the right hand side of the screen under "REGISTRATION," click here to "LOG IN."
- 3. Add/Edit children and choose the school "Indianola High School. This is important for Freshman parents as your student is still listed under "Indianola Middle School Schedule.
- 4. Select Conference Date.
- 5. Choose your student's teachers, click submit at the bottom.
- 6. Pick your student's Zoom conference time. It will either accept your time or deny it.
- 7. Click Home.
- 8. Click Schedule Conferences.

A document with all the Zoom links for each classroom teacher will be sent on February 15.

Parents are to log into the Zoom link at their assigned time. Once parents log in, they will be placed in a "waiting room" until the classroom teacher is ready to start the conference.

Remote students & parents:

In reference to course registration for next year. You can pick up a course packet in the vestibule outside the main office starting February 1st. There will be grade level instructions attached. Write in your courses for next year and either return to the main office or scan and email to your counselor. Please contact your counselor for questions or more information.

Deadlines for registrations are included with each packet. All must be completed by March 5th at the latest.

STUDENTS:

JUNIORS AND SENIORS: Check your school email for a survey regarding Prom. Deadline to respond is Friday, February 12 at 8:00 a.m.

JUNIORS: National Council of Youth Leadership (NCYL) is selecting 9 Juniors to represent Indianola High School at the annual Youth Seminar held at Drake University in September. To apply, you must have a cumulative GPA of 3.00 or higher and held a leadership position while in high school.

Applications were emailed to each of you and also can be found in the Guidance Office. All applications are due in the Counseling Office by 3:00 PM on Wednesday, Feb 24. NO LATE ACCEPTANCE.

If you have any questions, please see Mrs Coghlan.

Juniors: Deadline to turn in your 2021-2022 course registration on Thursday, February 11. MANY of you have not scheduled an appointment with your counselor yet. See the link in the announcement below to sign up.

2021-2022 Course Registration: Registration packets for next school year will be handed out last week.

Current Juniors - use these links to make appointments with your counselors for registration.

- 1. Click on your counselor's link
- 2. Choose a time slot that is during your open period
- 3. Book an appointment by putting your name in the "What" field.
- 4. Click Save

<u>Horstman Appointments</u> Google Calendar for Ms. Horstman (A-G) <u>Coghlan Appointments</u> to access Mrs. Coghlan's Appointment Calendar (H-N) <u>Schwery Appointments</u> to Ms. Schwery's Google Appointment Calendar (O-Z)

SENIORS:

SENIORS: When filling out your Dollars for Scholars application, you do NOT need to include a reference. Also, your ACT/SAT score is waived this year so it does not need to be included as it will not be scored.

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS: The Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Application is live and ready to be completed. <u>Dollars For Scholars - Indianola Area Dollars for Scholars</u> **Click on Students and Parents and make an account to begin the process.**

If you have any questions, please see your counselor.

PARENTS:

POST PROM COMMITTEE: If you are a Junior parent interested in helping with Post Prom, please join us at our meeting on **Wednesday, Feb 10 at 7:15 at Sports Page (banquet room).** We are looking for volunteers to help with the following sub-committees:

- 1. Food
- 2. Décor
- 3. Security / Parent Chaperones
- 4. Prizes
- 5. Event Organization / Logistics

If you are unable to attend but are interested in helping, please contact Julie Jordan at julieDJordan@msn.com

SCHOOL PERMIT: If you have a student who has finished Drivers Education and needs to fill out the DOT Affidavit for School license, here is the link to the form: <u>https://iowadot.seamlessdocs.com/f/AffidavitforSchoolLicense</u>

PARKING: If you have not filled out a vehicle registration, please have your student stop in the main office to pick one up or follow the link and fill out a form https://forms.gle/fb7ETUB7bEeBqWTcA
HY VEE RECEIPTS FOR POST PROM: The post prom committee is continuing to collect Hy-Vee receipts. For every \$100,000.00 collected we receive a donation from Hy-Vee for \$350.00. We are so close to our goal! Please send your receipts with your student or drop them off at the main office! Thank you!!

DATES TO REMEMBER:

February 12	NO SCHOOL	Teacher work day
February 16-18	Conferences	Parent Teacher Conferences
February 17	B Day: Periods 1-8	Change in schedule due to conferences
February 24	3:10 Dismissal	Change in schedule due to weather dismissals
February 18-19	NO SCHOOL	Parent Teacher Conferences
March 15-19	NO SCHOOL	SPRING BREAK
April 17	8:00-11:00 pm	PROM @ Adventureland Palace Theatre
April 19	11:30 Dismissal	Professional Development Day
May 23	1:00 pm	Graduation
May 27	1:30 pm Dismissal	Change in schedule due to weather dismissals

FINE ARTS:

MIDWINTER'S ENTERTAINMENT: Are you looking for something to brighten up the dark winter nights? Need a Valentine's date idea? Come see the MidWinter's Entertainment productions put on by the Indianola Theatre Department next Friday and Saturday. At 7:00 p.m. Friday, February 12th & Saturday, February 13th, IHS students will perform four student-directed one-act plays. Tickets are available at the door - \$5 for students and seniors/ \$7 for adults.

There is a little for everyone - comedy and drama, truths and lies, life and death. Please come support your Indianola High School Theatre Department and these wonderful student performers and crew as they show us what it is to be human in a crazy, mixed-up world.

SPORTS:

BOYS AND GIRLS BOWLING: Congratulations to Derrik Probasco and Halee McCormick for being individual Conference champs at the CIML Metro conference bowling meet. Both teams finished second. Both teams placed all 6 bowlers on the all-conference team.

First team: Derrik Probasco (Champion) Kyle Ahn Marcus Cross Nick Heisner Hailee McCormick (Champion) Chelsie Probasco Olivia Cook Second Team: Dominic Moyle Trey Lee Kiera Jors Callie Eckert Meghan Beener

STATE WRESTLING T-SHIRTS: Orders are due no later than NOON Monday, February 15. Turn orders into the Activities Office with checks payable to Indianola Schools. <u>Order Form</u>

SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEAM: IHS Special Olympics Team is having a fundraiser for new shirts. They will be selling Valentine Gifts until Feb. 11, 2021. They will have a table set up during the lunch periods in the hall near the library and in the mornings in room 333. They will be \$2.00 each or your choice of 3 items for \$5.00.

STUDENT CLUBS:

INTERACT CLUB: Interact Club will hold meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday every month at 7:15 a.m. in the study hall room (E336). All are welcome!!

D&D CLUB: The D & D Club is in the process of planning our first meeting. If you're interested, please fill out the survey at the following link. It will help us decide how to best manage things in the current situation.

CREATIVE WRITING CLUB: Creative Writing Club meets each Thursday at 3:15. You can either attend via Zoom at this link or in person in Mr. Bethards' room. Mr. Bethards and Mr. Whitaker hope to see you there!

SILVER CORD OPPORTUNITIES:

SILVER CORD- Due to COVID, all 9-11 graders will be required to earn 120 hours to receive their Silver Cord for Graduation. This is compared to the 150 hours originally set. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Coghlan.

GUIDANCE NEWS:

NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY: Northwest Missouri State University is open for in-person, on-campus tours and we would love to have students from Indianola HS come visit us! If students aren't able to come visit or do not feel comfortable due to the pandemic, we also still have multiple virtual visit options available for them to take advantage of. All of our visit options can be registered for online by going to https://www.nwmissouri.edu/admissions/campusvisits/index.htm.

SIMPSON COLLEGE: Are you interested in learning more about Simpson College? Do you have questions about how to even start your college search? I am here to help! I will be hosting a virtual visit on Friday, March 12th starting at 11:11 am. This session will provide you the opportunity to not only learn more about Simpson but how to go about looking for the college which will best fit your needs. You can join the Zoom meeting here, <u>https://simpson.zoom.us/j/95547214603</u>.

- o Dave Williams
- o 515-321-7339 (cell)
- o <u>Dave.williams@simpson.edu</u>

Northwest Missouri State: Alison Bagley (Northwest Missouri State University) is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting on Feb. 12th 11:00

Topic: NWMSU Information Join Zoom Meeting <u>https://zoom.us/j/5654168325?pwd=NWdpT21zcjl3M1c1amtUMlcxQTAwdz09</u>

Meeting ID: 565 416 8325 Passcode: KRUW6F

Other Announcements not school sponsored but are of interest to IHS students

HELPING HAND FOOD DISTRIBUTION: The Helping Hand will be giving away 1,000 food and milk boxes to all Warren County residents. Each food box contains dairy products, meat, fruit and vegetables and a gallon of milk. Pick up is TODAY, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10 AT 2:45 PM IN THE DOLLAR GENERAL PARKING LOT.

Please be patient and they are asking that you do not line up until 2:00 pm.

DRIVERS EDUCATION: If your student is interested in Driver's Education, please visit Street Smarts at https://streetsmartsdriversed.com/ for the class schedules and registration.