

GENERAL INFORMATION:

STATE WRESTLING T-SHIRTS: The remainder of the state wrestling t-shirts will be handed out today after school, 2;10 p.m., in the north gym lobby.

NO SCHOOL THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18 AND FRIDAY FEBRUARY 19.

The bell schedule beginning on Monday, February 22nd can be found <u>by clicking here.</u> With Wednesday, February 24 being a 3:10 p.m. dismissal, we will use the same bell schedule as we use on Thursday's, **except it will be ODD classes meeting**.

NOT RECEIVING ICSD TEXT MESSAGES?: If you are not receiving text messages from the Indianola Community School District and would like to, you can opt-in by texting YES to 87569. (Standard message and data rates apply.)

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."

Parent Teacher Conferences for 9th-12th Grade

Conferences are 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. <u>www.ptcscheduling.com/app/login.asp?HID=98796873</u>

- 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 was sent on 2/15. You may <u>Click here f</u>or the pdf.

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.

STUDENTS:

ID'S FOR LUNCH: Students are still strongly encouraged to have their cards when they go through the serving line. We are running into issues of people not bringing their cards and then having to say their number to my staff and it holds up the line.

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.

2021-2022 Course Registration Deadlines:

Sophomores, your registration forms are due in the guidance office by Wednesday, February 17. Freshman, your registration forms are due in the guidance office by Friday, February 26. Remote learners, your registration forms are due in the guidance office by Friday, March 5. There are still packets in the vestibule outside the main office that haven't been picked up yet.

If you would like to meet with your counselor, click on your counselor's link

- 1. Choose a time slot that is during your open period
- 2. Book an appointment by putting your name in the "What" field.
- 3. 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:

POST GRADUATION PLANS: Stop in at the main office and fill out your post graduation plans in the red binder. Remote students and early graduates can email Stacey at stacey.johnson@indianola.k12.ia.us

SENIOR T-SHIRTS: Embark lnk will be here after school in the north gym lobby on Tuesday, February 23 to hand out your senior t-shirts.

GRADUATION SPEAKER: Any senior interested in speaking at graduation, please stop into the main office to sign up. Remote learners, you can email Stacey at <u>stacey.johnson@indianola.k12.ia.us</u>. Deadline is Friday, February 26 with voting taking place the first week of March.

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 FUNDRAISER: Please support our Post Prom fundraiser this Saturday, Feb. 20. BnB Family Boutique is going to donate 10% of their in-store and online sales to Post Prom. If you've never shopped at BnB Family Boutique, this is the time to check it out! Indianola, Iowa State and Iowa apparel galore, plus clothes and accessories for the entire family! https://www.shopbnbfamily.com/

SCHOOL PERMIT FORM: 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: https://iowadot.seamlessdocs.com/f/AffidavitforSchoolLicense

PARKING: We have many cars that are still not registered. 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 24	3:10 Dismissal	Change in schedule due to weather dismissals
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:

Congratulations to our IHS singers who were selected from a state-wide search for National Anthem singers for the upcoming IHSAA state wrestling and basketball tournaments! We had FOUR soloists chosen this year! This is a record number of soloists for Indianola! They will sing for the following sessions:

State Wrestling Tournament: Casey Daughenbaugh (11) - Thursday, Feb. 18 - 9am Erica Knupp (11) - Thursday, Feb. 18 - 1:30pm Kayden Carter (11) - Friday, Feb. 19 - 2:30 pm Ruthie Duey (12) - Friday, Feb. 19 - 7:30 pm State Boys' Basketball Tournament: Quartet - Erica Knupp, Jessica Anderson, Casey Daughenbaugh, and Brad Voigts - Friday, March 12 - 12 noon

SPORTS:

GIRLS TENNIS PLAYERS: Any 9-12 Girl that is interested in playing tennis this spring; please stop by Room #109 (Coach Huss's Room) and sign up. A copy of our meet schedule will be available for you to pick up as well at this time. You have until March 5, 2021 to sign up.

GIRLS TRACK: There will be a short meeting for all girls planning on participating in track and field this spring. We will meet after school on **Monday February 22nd** near Mrs Arndt's office by the east gym.

IMPULSE TRYOUTS: Hello everyone! It's that time of year again, and we hope you'll join us!

If you are currently an 8th grader- current 11th grader we would love to have you tryout for the 2021-2022 Impulse Dance Team! All practices are as follows on the <u>FLYER</u>! If you have any questions in regards to tryouts, or are unavailable for the day of tryouts please email coach Taylor at tpaskorz@gmail.com. We hope to see you there!

BOYS TRACK: There will be a HS Boys Track and Field meeting in Mr. Oliver's Room on **Tuesday, February 23rd at 3:20** for anyone who is going out for track and field. Please make every attempt to be there. Also, please follow @ihstrackfield on Twitter, and for Remind, please text the number 81010 with "@74gek4g" as the message. These will be the best sources of information and announcements.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS TEAM: The IHS Special Olympics Team will be collecting donations for Kiya Koda Humane Society **February 15- February 26, 2021.** Donations can be put in the designated donations boxes that will be located by the front office, behind the library, and room 333 (Life Skills room). They have not been able to participate in their sporting events so help them spread kindness with a donation for Indianola's local animal shelter.

STUDENT CLUBS:

GSA: GSA is meeting again. **Our first meeting will be Monday, February 22** after school in Mr. Whitaker's room. We'll meet each Monday going forward. Everyone is welcome; we hope to see you there!

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: Children's Cancer Connection has numerous opportunities to volunteer and earn Silver Cord Hours. Go to https://signup.com/Group/497691562029/

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:

DMACC Questions?: Berenice Real Rodriguez (Academic Advisor) is happy to meet with students virtually regarding any questions you may have! Students can reach me at blrealrodriguez@dmacc.edu or 515-229-6448. I also have a Calendly link that students may utilize to schedule a virtual appointment on my calendar: https://calendly.com/blrealrodriguez. Let me know if you have any questions.

Planning on going to earn a 2 year degree at a Community College in Iowa? If so, you could qualify for scholarship through the Last Dollar Scholarship from Future Ready Iowa. To find out more https://iowacollegeaid.gov/LastDollar

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>

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

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.