

INDIANOLA HIGH SCHOOL DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*new items are in purple

GENERAL INFORMATION:

WINTER DRIVING: As we continue to progress into the winter months, road conditions are often unpredictable. Please provide extra time to travel to school in the mornings to ensure you will be to class on time and avoid disrupting instruction by arriving late.

Winter Vocal Concert - Tuesday, December 20th.

Concert 1 - 6:30 pm - IHS Auditorium Apollo Chorus, Cantare, Bel Canto, A Cappella, and Indianola Singers

Concert 2 - 8:30 pm - Simpson Smith Chapel Address: 701 N C St, Indianola, IA 50125 Indianola Singers and A Cappella

Student Council Holiday Drive -

The Indianola High School Student Council is trying to make a merrier holiday for a few Indianola families this year by sponsoring a Holiday Gift Drive.

If you would like to donate, a tree with ornaments that are labeled with gifts will be placed in the library for high school students to access during the day. Please take an ornament (our gift to you) and bring back the gift labeled on the ornament, and place it in the correct basket from the ornament label:

- Jingle Bells
- Here comes Santa Claus
- Frosty the Snowman

We are also accepting donations of wrapping paper, tape, gift tags, gift bags, boxes and non-perishable food items. Items will be accepted until noon on December 21, 2022.

STUDENTS:

2ND Semester Schedule changes: Students should be making any schedule changes to their second semester schedules before winter break! Email your counselor if needed!

Winter INformal will be Saturday, December 17th at the Simpson College Black Box Theatre. Wear your best festive pajamas and catch your favorite DJ, Mr. Rodgers Rocks. 8:30-11pm! You can purchase your tickets before school all week, \$10 per ticket.



JUNIOR BOYS: All Junior boys are invited to apply to attend the American Legion Hawkeye Boys State to be held June June 11th – June 16th 2023 at Camp Dodge.

Boys State is an American Legion program held by each state across the entire nation. It is a dynamic six-day course in which participants learn about the functioning and role of government at the city, county, and state level. This is a total "hands-on" program in which participants actively take part in government activities and programs as part of a fully self-governing society. These activities include participation in government at the Executive, Legislative, and Judicial level and include elections, law enforcement, and press participation among other opportunities.

Those participants selected will be given a unique opportunity to prepare them for the leadership positions of tomorrow. Former Boys' Staters nationwide are and have been leaders in many facets of government, military, business, and professional life.

The Indianola American Legion will be selecting two highly qualified Junior boys to attend this very popular and high profile event. Applications are available from Dawn in the counseling office. The deadline for the application to be handed in to Dawn will be the 10th of January. Selected participants will be notified by the end of February.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Whitesitt at the Middle School at ryan.whitesitt@indianola.k12.ia.us or leave a message with Dawn.

To view an informational brochure on the Boys State program, please click on the following link: https://www.ialegion.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/139ACY0618-Boys-State-Brochure.pdf

SEAL OF BILITERACY: Any student interested in testing for the Seal of Biliteracy please see the information below. You can sign up with the principal by emailing him at jeff.siebersma@indianola.k12.ia.us. When emailing please let him know which language you will be testing on and he will verify it is an option. **The cost for taking the test which is due at the time of testing (February) is \$39.90. All students interested need to be signed up before we leave for winter break on 12/22/22.** Note that once the tests are ordered (by January 15th) students will be charged for the test. If you have any questions you can email the principal or speak with one of our World Language instructors.

Letter to Parents for Seal of Biliteracy

Iowa Seal of Biliteracy Introduction

SNOWCOMING is next week! With nearly forty percent of the vote, *Home Alone* is our movie choice! Following dodgeball, we'll watch *Home Alone* in the East Gym.

Additionally, please bring a canned good or two to the East Gym, as we'll be donating them to Helping Hand! We'll keep track of donations by grade level, with the level donating the most being recognized as the most holiday spirited at the Snowcoming assembly.

	Friday, December 16	Saturday, December 17	Monday, December 19	Tuesday, December 20	Wednesday, December 21	Thursday, December 22
Theme	Whiteout: Wear all white. Preferably IHS gear so you can cheer on our basketball teams against Norwalk!		Pajama Day Roll out of bed in your cozy PJs on everyone's favorite spirit week day.	Freshmen & Sophomores - Green Juniors & Seniors - Red Staff - Gold & White	Dress Like a Holiday Tree Wear ornaments, beads, lights, anything you'd use to decorate a tree that won't disrupt school.	Ugly Sweater & Santa Hat Day Wear your tackiest sweater and favorite Santa hat as we say goodbye to IHS for 2022.
Activity	Home Varsity Basketball Game vs. Norwalk - @ North Gym 6:15 pm	Winter INformal Dance - Black Box @ Simpson College 8:30 - 11:00 pm		Snowball Fight Dodgeball Tournament & Holiday Movie - 7:30 pm @ East Gym Vocal Concerts 6:30 pm - Auditorium 8:30 pm - Simpson Smith Chapel		Snowcoming Assembly

SENIORS:

VERIFY SPELLING OF NAME: Seniors, the deadline to verify that your name is spelled correctly for your diploma is **December 22nd**. If you haven't stopped into the main office yet, please do so at your earliest convenience. Look for the red binder!

SENIOR IMPORTANT DATES: CLICK HERE for a calendar of important dates for your senior year.

PARENTS:

PARKING: If you have not filled out a vehicle registration form, please have your student stop in at the main office to pick up a form or <u>CLICK HERE</u> to fill out the Google Form.

SCHOOL PERMIT FORM: If you have a student who has completed driver's education and needs a DOT Affidavit form for a school permit, <u>CLICK HERE</u>

DATES TO REMEMBER:

December 17	8:30-11:00 PM	Winter INformal at SImpson College Black Box Theater
December 22	1 hr early dismissal	Winter Break
December 23-Jan 3	No School	Winter Break
January 10-12		1st Semester Finals
January 13	No School	Teacher Work Day
January 16	No School	Professional Development Day (teachers)
February 14-16		Spring Conferences
March 13-17	No School	Spring Break
March 24	11:15-1:00	Jostens Delivery Day
April 3	No School	Professional Development Day
April 22	8:00-11:00 pm	Prom-Adventureland Palace Theater

FINE ARTS:

ART CLUB Members:

NEW DATE: Holiday Party moved to Monday, December 19th from 6-8PM in the 2D Art Room. Wear your UGLY SWEATER and bring a wrapped gift for the exchange! (\$15 price limit)

SPORTS:

BASEBALL: Please complete this Google Form, https://forms.gle/g2qxh1hcwBVXMskv5, if you are interested in playing high school baseball this summer. More information about off-season workouts will be sent once responses are received. Coach Fitzpatrick

STUDENT CLUBS:

TURNING POINT USA will be meeting Thursday, Dec. 15th after school in Mrs. Percy's room.

MOCK TRIAL: High School Mock Trial season begins after winter break. If you like to act, like to argue or just like the law, mock trial is for you. We meet twice a week from 5:30 to 7 PM (days TBD). Regional competition is just before Spring Break. We will have an informational meeting Thursday December 15, 2022 from 5:30 to 7 PM in the professional development room by the office. Signups start now through January 6, 2023, https://forms.gle/GkmfiiSJtmQd6MFC9. If you have questions please contact Cami at ceslick410@gmail.com

SILVER CORD OPPORTUNITIES:

TUTOR: Looking for a tutor for Spanish I. Times would be after school, a couple of days a week. Contact Ms. Schwery if interested. <u>Emily.schwery@indianola.k12.ia.us</u>

Here are some wonderful volunteer opportunities for high schoolers needing silver cord hours at Indianola Parks and Recreation for upcoming events. Click on the link, check it out, and sign up if you're interested.

Daddy Daughter Dance (Light up the night- glow dance): Friday, February 24, 2023 at the Indianola Activity Center (2204 West 2nd Ave. (Hwy 92 West) Indianola, Iowa) from 5:30pm-8:45pm https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F48ADAB22A7FB6-volunteers34

Family Fun Night: Friday, February 3, 2023 at the Indianola YMCA from 5:15 pm-8:45 pm https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F48ADAB22A7FB6-volunteers36

Family Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt: Friday, March 31, 2023 (if rained out: Saturday, April 1) from 7:45pm-9:15 pm at Indianola Activity Center (2204 West 2nd Ave. (Hwy 92 West) Indianola, Iowa) https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F48ADAB22A7FB6-volunteers31

Special Friends Valentine's Dance: Friday, February 17, 2023 from 5:30 pm – 8 pm at the Indianola Activity Center (2204 West 2nd Ave. (Hwy 92 West next to All Creatures and Small Vet Clinic) Indianola, lowa)

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F48ADAB22A7FB6-volunteers39

Special Friends Let's Glow Crazy Dance: Friday, April 21, 2023 from 5:30 pm – 8 pm at the Indianola Activity Center (2204 West 2nd Ave. (Hwy 92 West) Indianola, Iowa) https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F48ADAB22A7FB6-volunteers38

Special Friends Luau Dance: Friday, June 23 from 5:30 pm – 8 pm at the Indianola Activity Center (2204 West 2nd Ave. (Hwy 92 West) Indianola, Iowa) https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0F48ADAB22A7FB6-volunteers11

Carousel Theatre of Indianola needs 4-5 strong helpers to carry large pieces for their play. The job would start at La Vida Loca Winery on Sunday, March 19th at 4 p.m. and be finished about 9 p.m. See Randy Stone for more details.

GUIDANCE NEWS:

ACT: The deadline to register for the February ACT Test is January 6. The February 11 ACT Test will be given at Indianola High School. To register please go to www.act.org and make an account and register.

COLLEGE/MILITARY VISITS:

(See Dawn in the Guidance Office for a pass if interested in visiting with any of the following)

Jan 5 in the cafeteria during lunches - US Army Feb 2 in the cafeteria during lunches - US Army

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.