

# NDIANOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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https://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/school/indianolamiddle-school/



**WEEK OF April 18, 2022...** 

## **IndyBoys Baseball Apparel**

Please click <a href="here">here</a> to view the IndyBoys apparel available this year.

Orders due this Wednesday!

#### **Color Guard**

Any 8th Grader NOT IN BAND who likes to dance and is interested in trying out for High School Color Guard (dancing with flags) with the marching band next year should see Mrs. Kinman for more information before Tuesday (4/19) morning about upcoming practices and tryouts.



SCHOOL NEWS...

Parents/Guardians: VERY IMPORTANT
Time to Re-Enroll Students for Next Year
Deadline is June 1st

Returning Student Annual Enrollment Instructions

## **Change of Address?**

Parents, if you have a change of address, please click here for details.

#### **District Website:**

https://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/

#### **Information Technology Department:**

https://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/departments/information-technology/

#### Middle School Website Page

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

#### **Dates to Remember:**

Friday, May 27: Last Day of School (1:50 Dismissal for IMS)

#### Office Information

**Phone Numbers:** 515.961.9530 Main Office 515.961.9535 Fax

**Attendance Line:** 515.961.9530 x3162

Principal: Mrs. Kristy Ellis
Asst. Principal: Mr. Mike O'Meara

6th Grade Counselor: Mrs. Tiffany Cochran 7th Grade Counselor: Mrs. Lacey Cherniss 8th Grade Counselor: Ms. Tina Chaplin

**Office Hours:** 7:00am – 4:00 (3:30 on Fridays)

# Free Tutoring Available on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Parents, if your middle school child is in need of some extra help, you can sign them up for tutoring. IMS teachers are available on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:40-4:30 in the library.

Please email or call your child's teacher in the subject where assistance is needed. Let them know that you would like your child to attend tutoring. Include the day(s) that your child will attend, and the date that they'll be starting. Also, include a phone number where you can be reached.

Our teachers are ready to help!

## From the ICSD Food Service Department:

As schools across the country work diligently to finish last minute preparations for the new school year, we are being faced with unprecedented supply chain challenges. These issues are forcing us to alter our posted menus, at times with little to no notice. While our intention is to serve the posted menu each day at every building throughout the district, supply concerns will not make this possible throughout the year. We will attempt to substitute the original menu item with an item that is similar in nature, and still meets State and Federal requirements. We appreciate your patience and understanding!

Please continue to check our online menus often at: <a href="https://indianola.nutrislice.com/menu/">https://indianola.nutrislice.com/menu/</a>

And, Reminder: Meals are free to all students again this year! https://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/departments/food-service/



## High School Volleyball

There will be a meeting for girls going into  $9^{th}$  –  $12^{th}$  grades who are interested in joining Indianola High School Volleyball in the fall.

The meeting is for players only. It will be held on Sunday, May 8th at 8:00 p.m. at the Indianola High School North Gym.

Summer practice and competition dates will be a focus of the conversation, along with some presentations by Coach K and returning players!

Contact Coach Halstead if you have questions: kent.halstead@indianola.k12.ia.us

## IMS 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Book Worms Club

Sixth graders, a new club called Book Worms is starting! Please see these slides for more details.

#### Volleyball Advantage Indianola

The Indianola High School Volleyball coaching staff is inviting girls in 3<sup>rd</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> grade to come join the fun of the sport during open gyms in March and April. Check out the <a href="Advantage flyer">Advantage flyer</a> on the district website for all the times and details.

## Veterinary Camp at Kindness Pet Clinic for 6th - 8th Graders

Kindness Pet Clinic is hosting 2-hour veterinary camps for students in grades 6-8. The first three camp dates are March 27, April 10, and May 22. The camp will allow students to interact with veterinarians and staff while getting to do hands-on activities. Each student may attend one camp session.

Attendees must fill out an application. These are available, along with a more in-depth description of the camp and requirements for participation, at the Kindness Pet Clinic (1007 E 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue). A parent will be required to sign a waiver and attend with their student.

KPC is excited to meet the next generation of veterinarians and scientists of all disciplines!

## **IMS Gender and Sexuality Alliance**

The IMS GSA - Gender and Sexuality Alliance is a social and support group for members or allies of the LGBTQ+ community. We will meet the first and third Tuesday of each month in room 411 to share experiences, support one another, and participate in various activities and volunteer opportunities within the community

If you are interested in attending a GSA meeting or have questions, please reach out to Ms. Cohen.

#### Future 22-23 9th Graders, Student Assistants Wanted for Volleyball!

As a Team Player you will get to:

- \*Prepare the equipment
- \*Coordinate the music at our practices with songs like *Got my Name Changed* back by the Pistol Annies, *SIgn of the Times* by Harry Styles, *Misty Mountain Hop* by Led Zeppelin, and *We Gotta Get out of This Place* by the Animals.
- \*Provide coaches and players with feedback at practices and matches.

\*Coordinate











Welcome our opponents into our gyms.

Dress up for matches and be a huge part of our TEAM!

Contact Coach Kent Halstead if interested at kent.halstead@indianola.k12.ia.us.



#### Volunteer Opportunity for Girls Cross Country Families & Friends

Volunteer to help man an aid station at the DSM Ironman Triathlon on June 12, 2022 from 10:30 am-5:30pm (or a chunk of time in between)

To sign up to volunteer, please visit:

https://ironman.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/?id=58027

At the very top there is a place to enter a password: IndyXC22 Scroll down to:

#### + Run Aid Station #7 - Indianola Girls XC/Des Moines Derby Brats Booster Club

Click on the 10:30am - 5:30pm time slot and then scroll down and complete the information to sign up. If you are unable to attend the entire time, we can discuss splitting shifts as we get closer to the date, but please sign up now.

## **Live Online Homework Help**

The community libraries in lowa are providing access to a live online homework help site called Brainfuse HelpNow. Through the website, students can access live tutors for help, upload writing assignments to be analyzed and to obtain helpful comments, ask a quick question, and more. Live help is available from 2pm-11pm every day. Brainfuse also offers a "skills surfer" to reinforce concepts, as well as targeted lessons, quizzes, and online tutoring for ACT, SAT, and GED tests. Go to the public library website at

https://www.brainfuse.com/highed/helpNow.asp?a\_id=DAE9AC12&ss=&r=. Click Brainfuse HelpNow, Login, then Sign up.

For more information, see <a href="https://www.brainfuse.com/jsp/company/faq.jsp">https://www.brainfuse.com/jsp/company/faq.jsp</a>, or ask your local or school librarian.