



# INDIANOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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## New the Week of February 12, 2024

### 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Band Concert Tonight

The 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade bands will be performing tonight! The concert starts at 7:00 in the high school auditorium. Students need to arrive by 6:35 to warm up.

### Conference Week

Just a reminder that the deadline to sign up for conferences is 10:00 a.m. today. Parents, please click this [link](#) for details.

### MS Girls Track and Field

Athletes and parents: This season's informational meeting will be held on **Monday, March 4th @ 5:30 pm** in the MS cafeteria. See you there!

### The Zone

There will be no Zone this Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> or next Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>.

### Boys State Wrestling Shirts Link

Deadline is noon today!

### Tutoring

There will be no tutoring this week due to conferences.

## NO SCHOOL THIS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH

### Iowa Book Awards

It is time to vote for Iowa Book Awards! If you have read two or more Iowa Children's Choice Award books and/or two or more Iowa Teen Award books, you are eligible to vote.

Voting will end February 26. See links below.

[IMS Iowa Children's Choice Voting](#)

[IMS Iowa Teen Voting](#)

**This week's 6<sup>th</sup> grade field trip has been cancelled.**

### **Chess Club**

Chess Club is starting soon. It will be in Ms. Bienemann's room (810) after school until 4:00 on Tuesdays. Here is the link to sign up:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1B4Bu4C7jZ03qJw5mvzENviuX6mGC9NaJOU5CjpbmKE>

## **Reminders**

**Students, remember to bring your headphones or earbuds each day.**

### **Lost & Found**

If you have lost a sweatshirt, book, water bottle, shoes, etc., be sure to check the Lost & Found closet by this Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. Unclaimed items will be donated to Helping Hand that morning. Only take what is yours.

### **Attention 8<sup>th</sup> Graders**

If you were unable to attend orientation and have not received the registration packet, please email Mrs. Cochran at [Tiffany.cochran@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:Tiffany.cochran@indianola.k12.ia.us).

Course registration will end at 7:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. If you do not complete your registration by that time, the counselors will begin to assign classes for you.

## **School Info**

### **After School Tutoring**

Free tutoring is being offered once again at IMS on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Parents must sign their child up before they attend. Please see the registration form for details.

[23-24 Tutoring Sign-Up](#)

[District Website Link](#)  
[Information Technology Link](#)  
[IMS Link](#)  
[Food Service Link](#)  
[Transportation Link](#)  
[Student Handbook](#)

### **Food Service**

For information regarding menus, free/reduced lunches/online payments/account information, please click:

[Food Service](#)

### **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.

**Indianola Class of 2028** (8<sup>th</sup> Grade): <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1386800961472755/>

**Indianola Class of 2029** (7<sup>th</sup> Grade): <https://www.facebook.com/groups/509461217003504/>

**Indianola Class of 2030** (6<sup>th</sup> Grade): <https://m.facebook.com/groups/238233144858449>

### **Dates to Remember:**

February 13-15 – Conferences

February 16 – No School

March 11- 15 – Spring Break

March 29 – End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter

### **Yearbook Order Deadline Nearing!**

IMS yearbooks are now on sale! The cost is \$30. You can order online at [Jostens](#), or you can bring a check (made payable to IMS) or exact cash to Mr. Damman in room 507.

Parents, there was not an option to pay online with your school fees at the beginning of the year, so if you believe you purchased one then, you did not.

**School Activities...**

### **Indianola Music Boosters**

Stay up to date on all the district's music events by joining the Indianola Music Boosters Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/IndianolaMusicBoosters?mibextid=LQQJ4d>

## **Check Out the District Event Calendar**

Below is a link to the district's event calendar. You'll find dates, times, and locations for sports, music, and various other events in which our students are participating on this site.

[Event Calendar](#)

## **This and That...**

### **Safe and Sound**

Reporting a safety concern is quick and easy when using the anonymous statewide reporting system, Safe + Sound. Click on this [link](#) to learn more.

### **Backpacks 4 Hunger**

Backpacks 4 Hunger feeds Indianola kids over the weekend by providing a sack of individually packaged non-perishable food items. The food is placed discreetly in students' lockers on every Friday.

Call 515.961.5755 or Text 515.808.3498. Leave your name and number, and you will be contacted regarding food allergies and school details.

### **Tech News**

Parents and students, check out [Smart Social](#) for ways to stay safe online.



All IMS students are invited to join the fun after school on Mondays and Thursdays during the school year from 3:20 to 5:00. Click [here](#) for more information.

**There will be no Zone on these dates:**

**February 15, 19; March 11, 14; April 1**

**The last day of the Zone for this year will be April 18<sup>th</sup>.**

## WeLift Events

Here is information about 2 events WeLIFT is hosting for our community.

The Poverty Simulation on Thursday, February 29th 9:30-12:00pm is for anyone you think would be interested in learning and understanding the foundational blocks and gaps of Poverty and how as a community we can start to make system change.

**Registration Link** - <https://forms.gle/1G96e3JS622w4xEx9>

# Register Today!

## A NIGHT TO LEARN AND LEAD: A COMMUNITY EVENT

Hosted by WeLIFT Job Search Center and Lighthouse Community Center

- **MONDAY, MARCH 4TH**
- **5:30 PM - 8:30 PM**
- **LIGHTHOUSE COMMUNITY CENTER,  
109 W. BOSTON AVE INDIANOLA,  
50125**



### PRESENTATIONS:

#### "NAMI IN YOUR OWN VOICE"

A UNIQUE AND IMPACTFUL PRESENTATION THAT OFFERS INSIGHT INTO THE HOPE AND RECOVERY THAT IS POSSIBLE FOR PEOPLE LIVING WITH BRAIN HEALTH CONDITIONS.

-ERIK GUSTAFSON, NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS

#### "IS MY KID VAPING?"

LEARN HOW TO TALK TO YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT VAPING AND HEALTH EFFECTS OF E-CIGARETTES

-JOSIE REDMAN, AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION

#### "DON'T SEND IT"

A CONVERSATION ABOUT THE DANGERS OF SOCIAL MEDIA HARASSMENT AND SEXTING

-JUSTIN KELLER & SUNDI SMITH, INDIANOLA POLICE DEPARTMENT

