



# INDIANOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

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## New the Week of February 5, 2024

### 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.

### FCS Club

After school FCS Club with Mrs. Wright will begin soon. Only 30 people will be accepted. Applications are outside Mrs. Wright's room (416). They are due Wednesday.

### Teddy Bear Concert

Grades 7-12 Orchestra students will be performing in the annual Teddy Bear Concert on Thursday, February 8 in the HS auditorium. Students should plan to arrive by 6:20pm to tune. Doors will open at 6:30, and the concert starts at 7:00.

Admission is a free will raffle, but bring cash for the Teddy Bear Raffle fundraiser! Raffle tickets are \$1/ticket, or \$5/6 tickets. See you there!

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip February 15<sup>th</sup>

The 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be heading to the Des Moines Civic Center on February 15<sup>th</sup> to experience the Peking Acrobats. They'll be leaving school at 11:05 that day, and returning around 2:00.

Parents, watch for an email for details.

### **Lunch Reminder**

Lunch deliveries from outside vendors are not allowed. Parents may purchase the food and bring it to the school for their child, but we will not accept orders directly from a business.

### **Lost & Found**

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

### **P.R.I.D.E Plus Recipients**

The students listed below were nominated by a teacher for showing Personal Responsibility in Daily Effort through their outstanding work, great effort, exceptional behavior, or good citizenship. They were recognized during our P.R.I.D.E. Plus ceremony last week.

Kirsten Anderson, Kolton Ballard, Averi Beck, Emily Benge, Joseph Biehn, Quintin Bradley, Leyna Brown, Makaiya Chada, Oliver Chadwick, Liana Chilton, Hayden Clemons, Darrack Clingman, Olivia Cross, Natalie Curtis, Reese Darrah, Wyatt Ewurs, Ian Foland, Lukas Graham, Emma Gray, Michelle Hartford, Stella Harwood, Cooper Heath, Kaeyleigh Howes, Viola Kappelman, Emmaline Kappelman, Graham King, Aisley Kissner, Ava Koch, Mia Krizmanic, Cael Kruthoff, Elliot Lampman, Campbell Lanning, Cooper McCullough, Hudson Offenburger, Grace Phillips, Nolan Schulte, Remington Stamper, Ellisann Stockberger, Norah Strong, Andrew Ugarte, Brett Van Dam, Samuel VanRoekel, Audrey Vaughn, Aerie Vaughn, Stella VerMeer, Jesse White, Lauren White, Abram Wickham, Sophia Wilson

We'd like to thank the Indianola Community Youth Foundation (ICYF) for sponsoring our 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter awards ceremony.

### **Reminders**

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

## 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>

### **Impulse Kid's Clinic**

For details regarding the Impulse Spring Show Kid's Clinic, check out the flyer in the [Digital Backpack](#) on the ICSD website. The annual spring show will be held on February 18<sup>th</sup>.

### **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](#)

### **HS Baseball Apparel**

The HS Baseball Apparel Store is open until Tuesday, February 6, at 11:59 pm. Orders will ship to your house 3-4 weeks after the store closes.

<https://indybaseball24.itemorder.com/shop/sale/>

## 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 29<sup>th</sup> 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

