

## Irving Elementary- 4/14/23

Start Time **7:50 am**; Dismissal **3:00 pm (2:00 pm on Wednesdays)**  
 500 West Clinton Avenue || 515-961-9560 || <http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us>



Please report all student absences, including the reason for the absence, by 8:00am. If emailing, please email both your child's teacher **AND** the Irving Secretary. Thank you!

**Irving Secretary:**  
 515-961-9560  
[joanne.thessen@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:joanne.thessen@indianola.k12.ia.us)

**As a courtesy, please call or email any changes to your child's pick-up arrangements for that day by 12:30 pm unless you have an emergency.**

Click on the link below to go directly to that section:

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Indianola Schools offer breakfast and lunch each day. [Irving Menus](#)

**Breakfast starts at 7:30am.** Students eating breakfast can enter through entrance 3 on the west side until 7:50 am. After 7:50 am, all students must enter through the main entrance.



The following options are offered daily:

- Breakfast: Assorted Fruit Juice, Cereals, and String Cheese
- Lunch: Yogurt, Cheese Stick, Goldfish, and Granola
- 1% White Milk, Chocolate Milk, and Water

Monday, 4/17	Tuesday, 4/18	Wednesday, 4/19	Thursday, 4/20	Friday, 4/21
Day 5	Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
<b>**Menus are subject to change without notice**</b>				
Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
Muffin Diced Pears	Breakfast Pizza Raisins	Pumpkin Bread Mixed Fruit	Chicken Biscuit Applesauce	Confetti Pancakes Diced Peaches
Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
Chicken Fries Dinner Roll Corn Baby Carrots Pineapple Tidbits	Walking Taco Shredded Cheddar Shredded Romaine Refried Beans Mixed Fruit	Choc. Chip Muffin Top Scrambled Eggs Hash Brown Rounds Baby Carrots Diced Pears	BBQ Pork Rib on Bun Green Beans Green Pepper Slices Diced Peaches	Three Cheese Calzone Marinara Sauce Steamed Broccoli Baby Carrots Applesauce

If you need assistance, the free and reduced application is available here: [Free and Reduced Meal Application Information](#). Indianola Schools is an equal opportunity provider.

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**fyi, Irving Events**

[2022-23-Year-Round-Calendar](#)

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May 1.....	PTO Meeting 7:00 pm Irving Library or on Zoom
May 12.....	Career Day
May 19.....	Field Day (Rain Date May 22)
May 29.....	No School (Memorial Day)
May 31.....	Last Day of School - <b>11:30 Dismissal</b>

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**-- Building Notes --**

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**Student Classroom Placement for 2023-2024**

**Assigning Students to Classrooms** - Elementary teachers will soon begin assigning students to classrooms for next school year. Students will be assigned to classes for next school year by their current teachers and administrator, who are in the best position to make these recommendations. The teachers have worked with the children throughout the year and are able to identify their strengths and areas of needed support. Teachers consider many factors as balanced classes are prepared. These factors include:

- academic abilities
- social skills
- gender balance
- individual learning styles and needs
- student personality and interactions
- combinations of students to avoid
- class size

**The Goal of the Classroom Assignment Process** - The goal of the class assignment process is to produce a diverse combination of student groups who will work well together in the academic setting. This important task is vital to the creation of a positive class environment, which enables students to function to the best of their abilities. Students are assigned to classes based upon the best possible match of teaching skills and interpersonal needs of students.

**Parent Input – We Need Your Support and Input!** - Parents who feel the need to provide input about their child’s placement should contact the building administrator and request the Elementary Parent Input form from the school office. It is important to note that a request for a specific teacher is not appropriate. When providing input, please share your child’s strengths or weaknesses in writing to the administrator. The information will be considered during the class placement process. However, the act of submitting written information or a request does not guarantee placement in a particular class.

Please respect the teachers’ and administrator’s professional judgment. It is important to note that the teachers and administrator hand place every child. We have each student’s best interests in mind as class selections are made. Please have your input into the school by Friday, May 5, 2023.

Thank you for your support and cooperation!

- Mr. Fitzpatrick, Emerson Elementary
- Mr. Morris, Irving Elementary
- Mrs. Mendoza, Whittier Elementary
- Mrs. Naughton, Laura Ingalls Wilder Elementary



Notes from the School Counselor - Mrs. Puckett  
[emily.puckett@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:emily.puckett@indianola.k12.ia.us) or 515-961-9560 ext. 6104



At Irving, we emphasize how knowledge learned in the classroom can help students be successful in the future. It is important for students to start deepening their understanding of themselves, their knowledge and skills, and what steps they need to take in order to reach their future goals. We believe that it is essential for students at an early age to begin learning about different types of career path opportunities so they may begin thinking about how they will plan for their future career. Therefore, we will be hosting our Second Annual Irving Elementary Career Day! We would love to have your assistance in helping our students have a rewarding Career Day.

Irving's Career Day will be held on Friday, May 12, 2023 and will have two parts:

\*Kindergarten, 1st, and 2nd grade students will participate in a Touch-a-Truck form of career day. This event will be held outside in the Irving parking lot from 8:30 - 11:00 am. If you have a vehicle for your career (ambulance, fire truck, tractor, crane, backhoe, plane, cement truck, etc.) that students could explore and would be available on May 12, please fill out this form: [GOOGLE FORM SIGN UP](#) (or email [emily.puckett@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:emily.puckett@indianola.k12.ia.us) with your contact information).

\*3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students will rotate between classrooms to listen to individual presenters from 1:15 to 2:50. Each presentation will be 15 minutes. If you are interested in presenting about your career and are available on May 12, please fill out this form: [GOOGLE FORM SIGN UP](#) (or email [emily.puckett@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:emily.puckett@indianola.k12.ia.us) with your contact information).

Please sign-up by April 14th if you are interested and available on May 12.



## -- PTO Information --

**Indianola Hy-Vee:** Save receipts from the Indianola Hy-Vee store and gas station. Hy-Vee makes a donation to the PTO after we collect a certain dollar amount in receipts. Send receipts in a marked envelope with your child to school, turn them in to the office, or bring them to a PTO meeting. Indianola Hy-Vee location only.

**Box Tops for Education:** Download the Box Tops app, choose "Irving Elementary School (Indianola, IA)" and scan receipts to earn money for our school. Receipts must be scanned within **14 days** of purchase.

**Irving PTO will run the concession stand** during the track meet on Monday, April 24 from 3:45-9pm (or end of meet), held at Indianola stadium. We will earn \$500 for Irving if we have enough volunteers! Please consider signing up for a shift here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70A0D44ABA722AAFA7-irving>

## -- District/Community Events--

**ICSD 23-24 Returning Student Re-enrollment began March 17th!** Parents/Guardians will use the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) to complete online re-enrollment. Instructions have been emailed to parents/guardians of current Preschool through 11th grade students. All students who plan to return to ICSD must be re-enrolled for 23-24. This is separate from course registration at the High School and Middle School.

**ICSD 23-24 New Student Enrollment began March 3rd!** Parents/Guardians must provide all required paperwork to Denise Moss, District Enrollment Coordinator to enroll a new student. Please see the [District Enrollment](#) page for more details.

Please contact Denise Moss, District Enrollment Coordinator, with any questions: [enrollment@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:enrollment@indianola.k12.ia.us) or 515-961-9500 x1506.

### **Join the Indianola High School Show Choirs**

### **in an all-intensive music camp to do some singing and dancing!**

**Who:** Session A (9am - 12pm) - Grades 1-3 (as of Fall 2023)

Session B (1pm-4pm) - Grade 4-6 (as of Fall 2023)

**What:** A singing, dancing, show choir camp for kids!

**When:** Monday-Friday, June 26th-June 30th with a performance for parents on Friday afternoon at 3 pm!

**Where:** Indianola High School Auditorium

**Why:** This camp is serving as a fundraiser to help the Indianola High School Show Choirs pay for costumes, choreography fees, travel expenses, etc, but more importantly, it's serving as a way to get elementary kids excited for show choir!!!

**Camp Fee:** \$100 per student (T-Shirt and snacks included)

**How to register:** Follow this link: <https://forms.gle/fU3j6QBX1ZjPbn6Q8>



You can search/subscribe to upcoming events in the District's Digital Backpack:  
[www.indianola.k12.ia.us/digital-backpack](http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/digital-backpack)

## **Change of Address**

Are you moving? Or have you recently moved? The parent/guardian needs to complete the Change of Address Form and provide acceptable proof of residency to the District Enrollment Coordinator. Please do so in a timely manner, as changes can take 2-3 business days to update. [Change of Address Form](#)

More information may be found here: [ICSD Change of Address](#)

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504 Coordinator  
Specials Programs Coordinator  
Sarah Baker  
1301 East Second Avenue  
Indianola, IA 50125  
515-961-9500 ext. 3114

Title XI  
HR Director  
1301 East Second Avenue  
Indianola, IA 50125  
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who has been designated by the school district to coordinate the school district's efforts to comply with the regulations implementing Title VI, Title VII, Title IX, the ADA, § 504 and Iowa Code 280.3 (2007).