

## Irving Elementary

**Start Time 7:50 AM; Dismissal 3:00 PM**  
 500 West Clinton Avenue || 515.961.9560 || <http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us>

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Please call or email your student's absence as soon as possible. If emailing, send your email to **both the teacher and me** since the teacher may be gone. Include your student's reason for an absence when calling or emailing the office.

I also need the absence reason so I can correctly enter an attendance code. --Thank You!

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### Irving Strong--Neighborly

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Our guideline-for-success focus for the month of March will continue to be Neighborly.

### At Irving We Are...

- S** Safe
- T** Trustworthy
- R** Respectful & Responsible
- O** On Time & On Task
- N** Neighborly
- G** Growing




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Indianola Schools offers lunch and breakfast each day. Menus are available here: [Irving Menu](#).

The following options are offered daily:

- Breakfast: Assorted Cereals and Mozzarella Stick
- Lunch: Yogurt, Cheese Stick, Goldfish and Granola

Monday March 7	Tuesday March 8	Wednesday March 9	Thursday March 10	Friday March 11
Day 6	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	
<b>*** Menus are subject to change without notice. ***</b>				
<b>Breakfast</b>	<b>Breakfast</b>	<b>Breakfast</b>	<b>Breakfast</b>	
Assorted Cereal Mozzarella Cheese Sticks Fruit	Cinnamon Pretzel Stick Fruit	Chocolate Breakfast Bread Fruit	Lil' John Donut Fruit	
<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	
Breaded Chicken w/Bun Cheesy Potatoes Fruit Fresh Carrots	Frito Pie Refried Beans Romaine Lettuce Fruit	Turkey and Swiss Sandwich Hummus Cup Carrots, Celery Sour Cherry Sidekick	Pancake Little Smokies Hash Brown Rounds Fruit Fresh Carrots	

1% white milk, chocolate milk and water are always offered with lunches.

If you need assistance, the free and reduced meal application is available here: [Free-and-Reduced-Meal-Application-Information](#). Indianola Schools is an equal opportunity provider. || **\*\*\* Menus are subject to change without notice. \*\*\***

*FREE  
LUNCH  
ANY ONE?*

The USDA recently extended the Summer Food Program guidelines for emergency COVID meals for all school-aged children. Breakfast and lunch meals will be FREE TO ALL students **until funds run out**.


 Not receiving text messages from the Indianola Community School District? You can opt-in by texting YES to 87569. (Standard message and data rates apply.) **If you still aren't receiving ICSD text messages, please contact your building secretary to confirm we have the correct contact information on file.**

# fyi, Irving Events

Link to the Year-Round Calendar: [2021-22 Year-Round Calendar](#)

Newly added to the district website: [2022-23 Year-Round Calendar](#)



**Every Wednesday..... Early Dismissal (2:00 for bus riders/2:05 for pick up/walkers.)**

- March 4..... **Purple Palooza 2022**, 5:30-8:00, Blake Fieldhouse
- March 7..... PTO Meeting, 7 p.m. (in-person at Irving library and on Zoom)
- March 10..... End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter
- March 11-18..... Spring Break**
- March 21-25..... Intersession [Spring 2022 Intersession](#)**
- March 28..... Beginning of 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter
- April 4..... PTO Meeting, 7 p.m. (in-person at Irving library and on Zoom)
- May 2..... PTO Meeting, 7 p.m. (in-person at Irving library and on Zoom)
- May 10..... 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, Orchestra and Chorus Concert; 6:00 PM; IHS.



Join the Irving PTO at the **Blake Fieldhouse** on **Friday, March 4 (5:30-8 pm)** for **Purple Palooza 2022!**

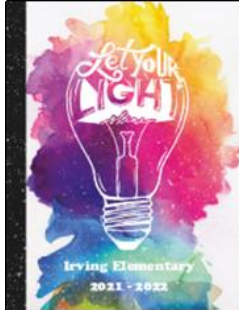
- Free admission to bid on silent auction baskets donated by each classroom.
- **Wristbands cost \$10 for unlimited bounce houses.**
- **Tickets cost \$1/ticket to use on food, drinks, glow items, bug exploration, and balloon animals.**
- Food available: donuts, pizza, chips, candy, water, and sports drinks.
- Various Glow items available for 1-3 tickets.
- We will accept cash, credit card, and checks.
- End of online silent auction through Putney and basket pick-up at end of event.
- Early admission at 5 pm for those who qualified during Fall Fundraiser (you will be contacted by the PTO).

Come enjoy a fun night out for all Irving students and families! All proceeds benefit Irving Elementary.

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## 2021-22 Irving Yearbook

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All orders are due by Friday, March 4.

The cost of a yearbook is \$17.00.

[www.memorybook.com/parentpay](http://www.memorybook.com/parentpay)

School Code: 095621

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## District/Community Events

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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)

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## Change of Address

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**Are you moving?** Or have you moved recently? If so, please complete and return the Change of Address Form

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1q6EheQfjlaTyXZoa9iM2FVXFfe1HQvhKpss9-SA26LQ/export?format=pdf> with your proof of residence, as outlined below, as soon as possible to Denise Moss, District Enrollment Coordinator. You may drop them off at the District Office, email them to [enrollment@indianola.k12.ia.us](mailto:enrollment@indianola.k12.ia.us), or fax them to 515-961-9505.



A copy of one of the following documents will suffice as proof of residence, as long as it is complete, and lists the custodial parent/guardian's current address:

- Printed Verification Page from the [Warren County Assessor site](http://www.warrencountyassessor.com)
- Current Mortgage Statement or Current Property Tax Document
- Lease Agreement with Term Listed, signed by Landlord and Parent/Guardian
- Settlement Statement or Warranty Deed from New Home Closing
- Purchase Contract with Possession/Closing Date, signed by All Parties; or
- Current Utility Bill or Utility Deposit Receipt with Service Address and Service Dates shown.

Please allow **at least three business days** for transportation changes, and contact Denise with any questions. Thank you!

## Volleyball Advantage Indianola

What: Indianola School Volleyball Coaching Staff to provide experiences during open gyms for girls in Grades 3rd thru 8th! See the district's Digital Backpack for more information:

[Volleyball Advantage Indianola](#)

## Building Notes

**The bell rings at 7:50 AM.** Your child will be counted tardy starting at **7:51** either as excused:

- illness,
- family emergencies,
- recognized religious observances,
- to accompany parents out of town, to attend funerals, etc.;
- appointments that cannot be scheduled outside the school day,
- school-sponsored or approved activities;

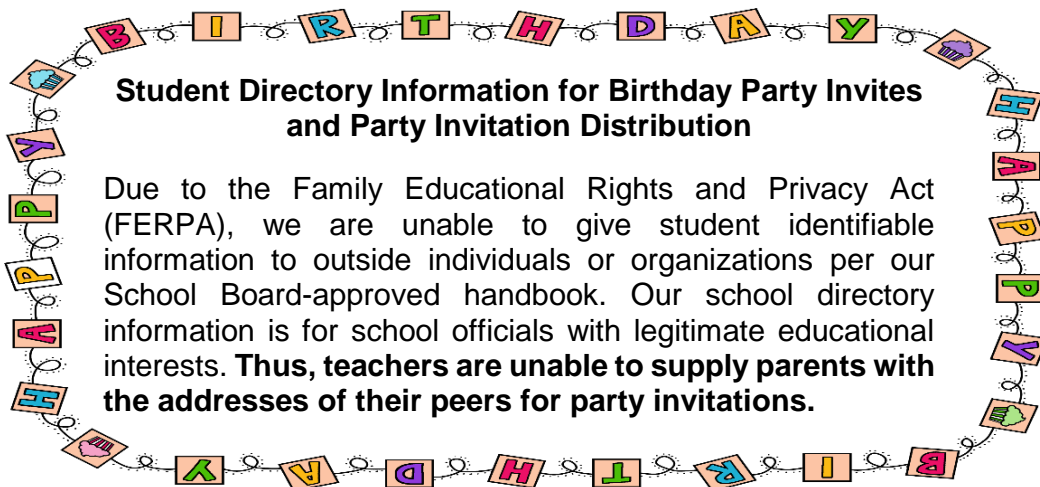
**or unexcused with no note from the parent or for simply being late.** Unexcused absences also include, but are not limited to:

- shopping,
- hunting,
- concerts,
- preparation/participation in parties/celebrations,
- and employment.

Truancy will not be tolerated by the board. .... Ref.: **School Board Policies 501.3, 501.9, 501.10**

**You are now able to view absences and tardies by accessing your PowerSchool portal account.**

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.



**Student Directory Information for Birthday Party Invites and Party Invitation Distribution**

Due to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), we are unable to give student identifiable information to outside individuals or organizations per our School Board-approved handbook. Our school directory information is for school officials with legitimate educational interests. **Thus, teachers are unable to supply parents with the addresses of their peers for party invitations.**



## Student Drop-Off/Pick-Up Information

Our student drop-off/pick-up procedures are designed to maintain a safe and orderly arrival and dismissal for you, our students, and our staff. The following link provides a general awareness to all involved as well as provide information that will help expedite the process: [Student Drop-Off/Pick-Up Information](#)



Our Lost and Found rack is now in the hallway across from the gym for parents to check out.

Please put your child's name on the labels of coats, sweatshirts, lunch boxes, etc., so we can return the lost items—even if you only put the first name.

### Exiting the Building:

- **Kindergarten, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grades** will enter/exit through the **southwest doors**.
- **1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades** will enter/exit through the **north door**.

Families with children in multiple grade levels may decide on one designated pick-up area. Please notify the classroom teachers of your decision.

### Guidelines for Indoor Recess:

If the temperature and/or feels-like temperature is 10° or below or 100° and above, students stay inside for recess.

Students will also come into the building starting at 7:30 in the morning.

## Recess and Lunch Time Reminders:

### AM Recess

K	9:25-9:40
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	9:50-10:05

### PM Recess

3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup>	2:00-2:15
1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	2:25-2:40
K	2:40-2:55

Lunch	Time	Recess
1 <sup>st</sup>	11:05-11:25	11:25-11:50
2 <sup>nd</sup>	11:20-11:40	11:40-12:05
3 <sup>rd</sup>	11:35-11:55	11:55-12:20
4 <sup>th</sup>	11:50-12:10	12:10-12:35
5 <sup>th</sup>	12:05-12:25	12:25-12:55

### Cell Phones/Electronic Communication Devices

Students may possess a cellular telephone or other electronic communication devices (ECD) in school and at school related functions provided that **during school hours and on school vehicles the cell phone or ECD is powered off, concealed and not in use.**

Students are prohibited from using a cell phone or having it powered on during the school day.

**Notes from the Transportation Department:**

All bus students are expected to wear their seat belt during their bus route. If your child is having trouble with the seat belt, please ask the bus driver for help.

The middle school is a transfer point **only** for before and after school. Parents should be dropping off and picking up their children at their attendance center if they have plans other than their typical bussing needs.

According to the Student Transportation Handbook (found on the Indianola website): ‘ . . . *Elementary parents cannot pick up or drop off elementary students at the Middle School for transportation.*’

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..... **Code No. 102.E2**

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Title IX  
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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).