NDIANOLA MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

403 S 15th Street, Indianola, IA 50125 PHONE 515.961.9530 FAX 515.961.9535 <u>https://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/school/indianol</u> <u>a-middle-school/</u>

New the Week of January 29, 2024

Attention 8th Graders & Parents/Guardians

Freshmen Orientation will be held tonight, January 29th, in the high school auditorium from 7:00 to 8:00.

If you are unable to attend orientation, please email our 8th grade counselor, Mrs. Cochran, to receive a packet. <u>Tiffany.cochran@indianola.k12.ia.us</u>

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

The Wizard of Oz Auditions

Middle School students are invited to audition for the HIGH SCHOOL musical, *The Wizard of Oz.* Auditions for middle school students will be held in the high school choir room on Wednesday, January 31, and Thursday, February 1. Middle school students who are interested in auditioning should email Mr. Finn at <u>myles.finn@indianola.k12.ia.us</u> to coordinate an audition time.

Audition materials are located in the chorus Schoology page.

Middle School Dance

Our next IMS dance will be held this Friday night, February 2, from 7:00 to 9:00. Admission is \$1.

Wear your favorite jersey!

6th Grade Field Trip February 15th

The 6th graders will be heading to the Des Moines Civic Center on February 15th 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.

Youth Art Month Art Show Results!

Congrats to 6th grade artists: Avery Shipman, Lea Chadwick and Casen Nelsen!

Casen's and Lea's artwork won a special award...Casen's art will be photographed and will be the Iowa flag at the NAEA Conference, and Lea's artwork will be displayed at the Governor's offices at the Iowa Capitol Building in March.

All are invited to visit this state-wide art show throughout March at Jordan Creek Mall.







Lea

Casen



Girls State Wrestling Apparel

Here is the link to the state wrestling apparel. <u>https://embarkink9.square.site/</u>

It will be open until noon today!

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 (8th Grade): https://www.facebook.com/groups/1386800961472755/

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

Indianola Class of 2030 (6th 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 3rd 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 <u>exact</u> 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/IndianolaMusicBoost ers?mibextid=LQQJ4d

Impulse Kid's Clinic

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

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. <u>Event Calendar</u>

The IHS Girls Track and Field Apparel Store Now Open!

It will close on February 5th at midnight. Link: <u>https://indygtf24.itemorder.com/shop/sale/</u>

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

Backpacks 4 Hunger

Reporting a safety concern is quick and easy when using the anonymous statewide reporting system, Safe + Sound. Click on this <u>link</u> to learn more. 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 <u>Smart Social</u> for ways to stay safe online.

London Trip for Current 8th Graders

From Mrs. Birkland and Mrs. Strable: Current 8th graders, if you are interested in joining Educational Tours on an overseas STEM trip to London, England during the 2025 spring break, plan on attending an informational meeting in the MS cafeteria on Thursday, January 25, at 6 pm (a parent/guardian should be present with you). Information about the itinerary is linked below. Please see Mrs. Strable or Mrs. Birkland for additional details. This is not a school-sponsored trip.

Link to Itinerary Link to RSVP for Informational Meeting



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 <u>here</u> for more information.

There will be <u>no Zone</u> on these dates:

February 15, 19 March 11, 14 April 1

The last day of the Zone for this year will be April 18th.