

Irving Elementary

Monday Mar 4	Tuesday Mar 5	Wednesday Mar 6	Thursday Mar 7	Friday Mar 8
Day # 3	Day #4	Day #5	Day #6	Day #1
Breakfast:	Breakfast:	Breakfast:	Breakfast:	Breakfast:
Cereal Toast Jelly Fresh Apples	French Toast Sticks Toast Applesauce Grape Juice Syrup Cup	Blueberry Muffin Toast Jelly Strawberries Apple Juice	Cereal Toast Jelly Raisins Orange Juice	Bagel Toast Cream Cheese Fresh Apples
Lunch:	Lunch:	Lunch:	Lunch:	Lunch:
Popcorn Chicken Dinner Roll Corn Applesauce Fresh Carrots	Chili Crispito Fresh Romaine Lettuce Mixed Fruit Fresh Carrots	Cheese Pizza Calico Beans Pears Fresh Broccoli	Ham & Cheese Sub. Green Beans Pineapple Celery Sticks	Fish Bun 1.25oz Oven Fries Peaches Fresh Cauliflower



The tardy bell rings at 8:10 AM. Your child will be counted tardy at **8:11 forward** either as **excused** for appointments, to accompany parents out of town, to attend funerals, etc.; or **unexcused with no note from the parent or for simply being late.**

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

As a courtesy, please call or email any changes to your child's pick-up arrangements for that day by 1:00 PM unless you have an emergency.

Absence from School

If your child needs to be absent or late to school for any reason, **please notify the school office by calling between 8:00-8:30.** If you do not have a telephone, please send a note with another student.

You only need to contact one person at Irving when reporting an absence—either your child's teacher, the nurse or main office (961.9560).

A Note from Your School Nurse regarding Influenza:

Influenza season is underway. With that in mind, I want to share the signs and symptoms of influenza and give recommendations for when to keep your child home from school. Influenza is a highly contagious viral infection that is spread by airborne droplets when an infected person sneezes or coughs. Influenza mainly affects the nose, throat, chest and lungs. Symptoms may include:

- fever (usually more than 100° F),
- headache,
- extreme tiredness,
- dry cough,
- runny or stuffy nose, and
- muscle aches.



Influenza typically lasts 3-7 days. People may be able to infect each other one day before symptoms occur and up to 10 days after being sick. The CDC suggests that you consult your doctor, as needed, if your child develops flu-like symptoms including fever and/or cough. Also, keep in mind that it is not too late for a flu shot.

Gastroenteritis (often called stomach flu although it is not influenza) is present this time of year, as well. People with this should not attend school or work until it's been 24 hours since vomiting or diarrhea have occurred. In order to prevent the spread of germs and the flu virus, the CDC recommends that your sick child stay home for at least 24 hours after his/her fever is gone, without the use of fever-reducing medicine like Tylenol or ibuprofen.

Regardless of the season, some healthy reminders are listed below:

- Wash hands often and use hand sanitizer when available.
- Avoid touching the face.
- Cough or sneeze into elbows.
- Hydrate, hydrate, hydrate! Keep drinking water, even when it is cold outside.
- Maintain good sleep patterns.
- Fuel the body with plenty of fruits and vegetables.
- When possible, avoid others who are ill.

Thank you for considering the health of your child and others in the classroom.



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- March 6.....Early Dismissal (2:00) for PLC
- March 8.....**YEARBOOK ORDER FORMS ARE DUE**
Purple Palooza—6:00 to 8:30 PM
- March 13.....4th Grade Field Trip to the Civic Center
Early Dismissal (2:00) for PLC
- March 14.....1st Grade Field Trip to the Civic Center
- March 18-22Spring Break
- March 20.....First Day of Spring
- March 27.....Early Dismissal (2:00) for PLC
- March 29.....Revised End of 3rd Quarter due to snow days
- April 4.....5th Grade Field Trip to Civic Center
- April 9.....4th Grade Field Trip to Hy-Vee Hall
- April 22KG Field Trip to Blank Park Zoo and Civic Center

**Parents—please, please, please label
your child’s personal items.**

District/Community Events

- **VOLLEYBALL ADVANTAGE INDIANOLA**

Indianola School Volleyball Coaching Staff to host Practices on the following dates for Girls in Grades 3 thru 8!

Location: North Gym at the High School

When: **3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th** grade practices will be held from 6:45 to 8:00 PM on the following dates:

Thursday, March 14
Thursday, April 4
Tuesday, April 9
Monday, April 15
Tuesday, April 23
Tuesday, April 30

6th, 7th and 8th grade practices will be held from 8:00 pm to 9:15 PM on the following dates:

Thursday, March 14
Thursday, April 4
Tuesday, April 9
Monday, April 15
Tuesday, April 23
Tuesday, April 30

6th graders can come to either practice!

- **2019 INDIANOLA BASEBALL CAMP, GRADES 3-8**

Camp Dates: Friday, **March 29**; Friday, **April 5**; and Friday, **April 12**.
Deadline is March 22.

Irving students: registration forms are available in the office.



- **KIWANIS TRIVIA—POSTPONED TO MARCH 16**

Saturday, March 16, beginning at 6:00 PM
Indianola Activity Center (2204 West 2nd Avenue)
\$10.00 per person (includes hot dogs, chips and drink)
Register by calling Susan Glick at 515.961.3081 or 515.442.6804 or by email at skcilg@hotmail.com

All proceeds go to help purchase all-inclusive playground equipment for Pickard Park.

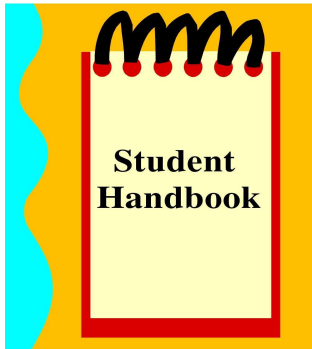
Welcome to the Digital Backpack!

If you are looking for Indianola school and community events and information, then you have come the right place! To cut down on paper usage and the volume of materials sent home with students each week, nonprofit organizations are asked to submit their events, announcements, and flyers to our digital backpack. In accordance with board policy, here you will find information from school sponsored, affiliated, and supported organizations; nonprofit community organizations, programs, camps; and more.

www.indianola.k12.ia.us

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Have questions about other Elementary School Policies? Check the Handbook for Students and Parents on the district website:

www.indianola.k12.ia.us, click on Students, then Handbooks.

Absence from School

If your child needs to be absent or late to school for any reason, please notify the school office by calling between 8:00-8:30. If you do not have a telephone, please send a note with another student. If you do not notify the school, you will be notified of your child's absence. This policy has been established for your child's safety. If you know your child will be gone for

more than 2 days, you may notify the office the first day and then it would not be necessary for you to call daily.

There are limitations to students being excused from classes. **Without exception, no student will be excused unless a telephone call is received or a note signed by the parent or guardian is presented to the teacher or principal**..... Reference: School Board Policies 501.9, 501.10

Attendance

The following procedures will be in effect as to when a child may be counted absent due to reasons such as dental appointments, excused to accompany parents out of town, funerals, etc.

It is the responsibility of the parent to notify the student's attendance center as soon as the parent knows the student will not be attending school that day. The principal may request evidence or written verification of the student's reason for absence..... Reference: School Board Policy 501.9

Students will be counted tardy, but not absent, if they arrive by 10:15am, providing an excuse accompanies them explaining the delay in arrival. Students will be counted for a half-day absence if they arrive after 10:15am or leave before 1:30pm. Reference: School Board Policy 501.3

The School Day

Instruction for Grades K-5 will occur from 8:10-3:00. ***The tardy bell will ring at 8:10 AM.***

Emergency Information

If your child is ill or has an accident at school, you will be notified immediately. It is important that the emergency information be kept up to date. Parents should notify the school of any change in emergency information. No child is ever sent home until prior arrangements have been made.

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. 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.

We also ask that party invitations not be distributed at school as it can cause hurt feelings for those not invited and disrupts the learning environment.

The Irving teachers and I greatly appreciate your understanding and support.

Derek Morris



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504 Coordinator
Indianola Community School District
1304 East 2nd Avenue
Indianola, IA 50125
515 961-9500

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).

Derek Morris, Principal

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