


Emerson Elementary



February/March Lunch Menu

Student \$2.80 Adult \$3.55 Extra Milk \$0.40	2/26 Day 6 Hot Ham & Cheese Bun 1.25oz Calico Beans Pineapple Fresh Broccoli	2/27 Day 1 Popcorn Chicken Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes Gravy Pears Celery Sticks	2/28 Day 2 Breaded Chicken Bun 1.25oz Sweet Potato Fries Mixed Fruit Fresh Cauliflower	3/1 Day 3 Cavatelli Green Beans Applesauce Fresh Carrots Ranch Veggie Dip	3/2 Day 4 Cheese Pizza Romaine Lettuce Peaches Cherry Tomatoes Ranch Dressing
		3/5 Day 5 Pancake Sausage Patty Peaches Tater Tots Fresh Cauliflower Heinz Ketchup Ranch Veggie Dip Syrup Cup	3/6 Day 6 Turkey Burger Bun 1.25oz Green Beans Pineapple Fresh Carrots Heinz Ketchup Mustard Ranch Veggie Dip	3/7 Day 1 Hot Dog Hot Dog Bun Calico Beans Fresh Broccoli Mixed Fruit Ranch Veggie Dip Heinz Ketchup Mustard	3/8 Day 2 Chicken Nuggets Dinner Roll Corn Pears Celery Sticks BBQ Sauce Cup Margarine Tub Ranch Veggie Dip

Upcoming Events

- Feb. 27 - Flashlight Free Read February (wear your pj's)
- Feb. 28 - Hearing Screenings re-test
- Feb. 28 - March 2 - Rescheduled dates for sealants
- March 1, 2 & 5 - KG Concerts at 2:15pm
- March 2 - 5th Grade Field Trip to the Civic Center
- March 6 - PTO 7:00pm Emerson Library
- March 6 - Food Pantry 4-6 @ Emerson
- March 9 - Culture Day
- March 12 - 16 Spring Break
- March 23 - 5th Grade Wax Museum Parent Presentation

Looking Ahead

- April 10 - Food Pantry 4-6 @ Emerson
- April 16 - No School



Show off
your smile



Healthy smiles can give Iowa's children the confidence they need to conquer the day. Without painful cavities, kids can focus on bigger and better things like succeeding at school, playing with friends and dreaming of their bright futures. A healthy, show-off smile is obtainable. Along with drinking fluoridated water, children can help keep their smiles healthy and bright by brushing twice a day and having regular dental visits starting at age 1. The i-Smile™ Dental Home Initiative welcomes you to celebrate February's National Children's Dental Health Month and the importance of a young, healthy smile. i-Smile™ is a statewide program that helps children prevent cavities, access dental care and grow up healthy. For more information, find us at ismile.idph.iowagov or www.facebook.com/iSmileDentalHomeInitiative.



MUSIC CONNECTS US
Music In Our Schools Month®



What is **Music In Our Schools Month®**
(MIOSM®)?

Music In Our Schools Month® or "MIOSM®" is NAfME's annual celebration during March which engages music educators, students, and communities from around the country in promoting the benefits of high quality music education programs in schools.

Music In Our Schools Month® began as a single statewide Advocacy Day and celebration in New York in 1973 and grew over the decades to become a month-long celebration of school music in 1985.

Emerson Activities:

March 1-5: KG Informances in the music room
March 9: Culture Day (experience music from another culture!)
March 21: 4th Des Moines Symphony Field trip to the Civic Center
March 27: 1st/2nd Grade Music Concert at the High School
There will be other fun celebrations of music throughout the month in music class!! I'm looking forward to some amazing March Musical Madness!!
~Mrs. Hansen

Emerson Art Show

The Emerson art show was a huge success! If you are still interested in purchasing your child's framed artwork, you still have time! After the art show, the artwork that was not sold was sent back with the Artome company. The company is charging two dollars extra to cover the shipping cost; the total is 27 dollars per frame. If you would like your child's artwork to come back to school framed, I will need a cash or check by **Wednesday 21**. If you are writing a check, please write the check to the: Indianola Community School District.

If you are not interested in purchasing your child's framed work, their artwork will return to the school in about two weeks, unframed.

Thank you to the parents, grandparents, students, and Emerson staff for supporting the Emerson Art Show and the Emerson Art program. So far, we have raised over 600 dollars to purchase more materials that we can use in the art room. A HUGE thank you to all of the volunteers. We couldn't do it without them!

Mrs. May
Emerson Art Teacher



2018-2019 Purple & Gold Registration

The district is pleased to offer online registration for all preschool and kindergarten students. Online registration will be available in early March via our website by clicking on the Enrollment link under District.

If you have a child who will be four years of age (preschool) or five years of age (Kindergarten) on or before September 15, 2018, please register beginning early March. The Indianola Community School District has four elementary attendance centers: Emerson, Irving, Whittier and Wilder. The district offers a full-day kindergarten program. Please see our [informational flyer](#) for more information.

Please continue to send your Hy-Vee receipts and Box Tops to school for PTO!!!
Please be sure to send Box Tops in before March !!!

LITTLE LEAGUE SIGN UP:

Signups are now available at
www.indianolalittleleague.org. See
LittleLeagueSignup Flyer or email
Bobbyshepherd51@gmail.com or Facebook
@IndianolaLittleLeague. Tryouts will be Sunday,
March 4th



Emerson Book Fair News

The Emerson Book Fair was a huge success! We sold almost \$8300 in books and products online and at the Book Fair during the first week of February. We will take some of the profit in Scholastic Dollars and some of it in cash for a total of \$2600. We were able to use \$508 of our Scholastic Dollars to purchase books directly from the fair to put in our Emerson Library. We plan to purchase more books for the library with the funds. We had 18 students win a free book and 18 students win a free poster from the Book Fair. Thank you to our generous Emerson PTO for donating gift certificates to our student Readathon winners and to every teacher. Thank you to the parents, grandparents, students, and Emerson staff for supporting the Emerson Book Fair and the Emerson Library. A HUGE thank you to all of the volunteers. We couldn't do it without them!!!
Mrs. Burris
Emerson Teacher Librarian

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Please Bring Your License when you Visit the School

If you have been a visitor to any of our Indianola schools during a typical day, you have been asked to show your license the first time so that a sticker could be given to you before you walk around the building.

We will be getting an upgrade to this security screening system, which is a good thing. However, we will not have access to past visitor records, so we will need to scan every person's license/ID as if it were their first visit. This upgrade will take place over winter break, so, beginning January 3, 2018, every visitor will be required to show their license. Please keep in mind, if you are just coming into the main office you will not need to show your ID. If you are going anywhere else in the building during school hours, however, you will. Thank you for your cooperation.

Winter weather is here and we want to be sure your child stays warm. Please be sure they are dressed appropriately and have coats, hats and gloves. If the windchill is 0 or below students will have inside recess.



From the Health Office:
With cold and flu season upon us, you may want to check out the Student Health Services handbook <http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/handbooks.php>
You will find information on the duties of the health associate, symptoms that will require a student to go home/stay home, medication administration and much more.

We are pleased to announce our new district website. Please check out the new site by visiting the same address - <http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us>. You should notice the new site is a considerable improvement over our old one. We've spent a lot of time on it and we hope you enjoy the new look.

Note: If you click the link above and still see the same old site, you may need to [clear your web browser cache](#) and/or click your web browser's refresh button multiple times in succession to get the old/cached pages cleared off of your computer.



Important Announcement Regarding School Alerts:

Indianola Schools will no longer utilize Iowa School Alerts for emergency notifications. To learn more about this change and ensure you get alerts during the 2017-18 school year, please go to
HYPERLINK
"<http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/emergency-announcements.php>"
<http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/emergency-announcements.php> OR HYPERLINK
"<http://goo.gl/EEu52B>" <http://goo.gl/EEu52B>

Parents - Please review the 2017-2018 Indianola Community Schools Elementary Handbook available on the Indianola Community Schools website. HYPERLINK
"<http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/handbooks.php>" <http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/handbooks.php> We hope that it will answer many of your questions about our educational policies and procedures. If you would like a hard copy of the handbook please contact Mrs. Menke in the office at 461-9550

Visitor Information to enter Emerson Elementary School

- * **Driver's License** - Bring your driver's license to the office when you visit. It will be scanned in order to issue a visitor's badge. This is a required step.
- * **Check out** - You are required to check out of the building when your visit is over and return your visitor's badge to the office. The secretary will sign you out at that time.
- * **Allow Extra Time** - The checking in process does take a few extra minutes, so if you want to be able to be in the building at a specific time, allow 10 extra minutes just to be sure. We don't want you to miss a classroom event or a visit with your child.

All Food Service menus are now accessible through the district website. Here are the direct links. The latest breakfast menus are available here-
HYPERLINK "<http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/breakfastmenu.php>" <http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/breakfastmenu.php> The latest lunch menus are available here HYPERLINK "<http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/lunchmenu.php>" <http://www.indianola.k12.ia.us/lunchmenu.php> Please note that the online menus now allow you to view nutritional information for breakfast and lunch items.

Indianola Community Backpacks for Hunger

The Ministerial Association of Indianola is implementing a new outreach to families in our community. It is our desire to help meet some of the needs of children easing the burden parents are dealing with during these tough economic times. We are offering a backpack of food for children to be sent home with them on Friday afternoon and returned to the school empty on Monday so that it can be prepared to be sent home again the following Friday. The backpacks will be filled with six entrees and two snacks that are child friendly and easy to prepare. If this is something that would be a benefit to your child, please contact us at 515-961-5755 so that we can get your child's information and get them started in the program. All information will be kept confidential.

The Indianola Ministerial Association