

INDIANOLA HIGH SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2025

GENERAL INFORMATION:

*All new items will be in purple

BOYS WRESTLING: Congrats to our state qualifiers who are competing at the state wrestling tournament this week.



DECA: IHS DECA had 30 students competing in 18 different events at the State DECA competition on February 16th in Des Moines. Indianola DECA had 4 students qualify for the International Competition in Orlando, Florida in April!

CONGRATULATIONS TO:

The following students qualified by placing in the top 3 in their respective role-play events:

- Nick Fehl & Brady Meyers-Sports and Entertainment Marketing Team Decision Making (1st)
- Sully Downey-Human Resource Management (1st)

The following students qualified by placing in the top 2 in their written & presentation events:

Maci Darr-Business Growth Plan (1st)

PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES: You will have to reach out to your students' teachers after today if you want to schedule a conference. Conferences are Tuesday, February 18th from 3:35-7:35, Wednesday, February 19th from 2:35-3:35, and Thursday, February 20th from 3:35-7:35

2025 YEARBOOK ORDER: Order your yearbook today! 2025 yearbooks are on sale now and can be purchased at https://yearbookordercenter.com/job/25500 Yearbooks are \$70 through the end of October, then the price increases to \$75.

ATTENDANCE: Attendance email: ihsattendance@indianola.k12.ia.us



FUTURE PLANS: Seniors just a reminder to fill out your future plans in the red binder found in the main office if you didn't fill it out with your counselor. Deadline is Friday, April 25 for it to appear in the graduation program.

SENIORS FEES: Never too early to check PowerSchool to make sure your fees are paid prior to graduation.

STUDENTS:

AP GOVERNMENT EXAM REGISTRATION: Registration will start on Monday and the deadline is Friday, February 28th. Link to form

JUNIORS - check your email to see if you and your parents received an email reminding you to pay the \$40 Junior Fundraiser fee (IF YOU HAVE ALREADY PAID, YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE AN EMAIL). If you are planning to attend this year's Prom (April 5th), your \$40 Junior Fundraiser fee must be paid by Friday, February 28th. Tickets for the dance will begin on Monday, March 24th after school and the \$40 fee MUST be paid prior to ticket sales. If you have any questions, email kimberly.marchant@indianola.k12.ia.us.

25-26 ONLINE COURSE REGISTRATION: Online class registration through PowerSchool is now working. If you have any questions please work with your parents/teachers/counselor/registrar to complete your registration. The directions provided in this email give a step by step process to complete the registration process. Please follow the process and refer to the instructions if you need help. Some reminders when looking at courses and when they are offered keep in mind a course that is offered in the 1st Semester will end in the number 0 and a course offered in the 2nd semester will end in a 5. You can also refer to the course handbook and see these numbers on the first page in each section that lists all the courses offered in each department. This page will also tell you if a course is a year long course or a semester course. Remember for year long courses you must select both semesters. This process should be completed by Thursday 2/20/25.

Here are the course registration Instructions for 2025-2026 which can also be found on our <u>High School Homepage</u> --- Courseling Corner---Course Handbook/Registration---2025-2026 Student Registration Instructions .

PARENTS:

Parents/Guardians Must "Opt in" to Receive Text Messages Notifications: To receive text messages through BrightArrow, you need to opt in. You can opt in to text messaging anytime by sending the word "Yes" or "Sí" to the short code 79041. Once you opt in, BrightArrow will send you a confirmation that your phone number is opted in. Note: You must have your mobile phone number on file in PowerSchool to receive text messages.

POST PROM PARENT MEETINGS: Will held at the BrickHouse upstairs, 7pm on:

Feb. 25th

March 11th

March 25th

All junior parents are welcome! Stop by to see how you can help during the event after prom!

POST PROM DONATIONS: Junior and senior parents, the Post Prom Committee is gathering gift card donations to be used as prizes for the Las Vegas-themed festivities and we need your help!

Gift cards can be mailed to Lori Meyer - 400 E 13th PI, Indianola, Iowa 50125 or dropped off to Kim Marchant in the HS office, before March 14. Thank you for your consideration and support!

Check out the sign up genius below to see how you can donate.

https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/10C0E44AAAF2BA6FEC43-54555605-gift

SENIOR PARENTS/FAMILIES: Do you want to have a personalized message for your senior in the yearbook? Senior Ads may be purchased and designed though our yearbook order center page! https://yearbookordercenter.com/job/25500

*This feature will be available later this week as we upload our student list into the system.

VEHICLE REGISTRATION: If you have not filled out a parking tag application, please <u>CLICK HERE</u> to fill out the Google Form. Your student will receive an email when they can come pick up the parking tag in the HS main office. If at any time you need to update your students vehicle information, you can go back into the form and make any changes.

SCHOOL PERMIT FORM: If you have a student who has completed driver's education and needs a DOT Affidavit form for a school permit CLICK HERE

PAYING FEES/FINES: You should now be aware that all student fees/fines are documented in PowerSchool. We encourage you to pay directly through PowerSchool. <u>SEE LINK FOR INSTRUCTIONS</u>. You must be logged on through a computer in order to pay. This does not work through the app.

FINE ARTS:

SPORTS:

BOYS TRACK AND FIELD: HS Boys T&F begins next Monday, February 25 at 3:30 in the east end of the Blake Fieldhouse. Please check the teams SportsYou account for more information or details. The access code is CUHP8L9E.

GIRLS TENNIS: Interested in playing girls tennis this spring and missed the meeting? Stop by Coach Liston's room (315) to get information and sign up. If you attended the meeting, make sure to turn in your form from the information packet. **Deadline is 2/28.**

GIRLS GOLF: Any girl interested in going out for golf, please email Coach Doane at Rita.doane@indianola.k12.ia.us

GIRLS SOCCER APPAREL: Show your support for the IHS Girls Soccer program by purchasing apparel from our team store. The team store closes Wed. Feb. 26. https://indygirlssoccer25.itemorder.com/shop/sale/

FRESHMAN BOYS BASKETBALL: Congrats to the 9th grade boys basketball team on their win over East last night. Keep it up finish strong!

BOYS TENNIS: Mark your calendars for our preseason meeting on Wednesday, March 5th immediately after school in the PD room. First practice is at 3:30pm on Monday, March 24th.

GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD: Don't forget to sign up for girls track and field! Sign Up Link here: https://forms.gle/UC4tNeRy8QaArn8aA

Open T&F Workouts will be on Mondays at 3:45 on the Upper Track of the Blake Fieldhouse. First day of practice will be Monday, February 24th.

LIBRARY NEWS

STUDENT CLUBS: click the link for complete list and explanation of all clubs)

CHESS CLUB Chess Club Days:

Tuesday Mr. Nettleton's room 117 at 3:15 - 4 Thursday Mr. Schou's room 121 at 3:15 - 4

ROBOTICS CLUB: Are you interested in robotics, programming, or engineering? Come join us every Tuesday after school to learn more about our Robotics Club! Tuesdays, right after school in room 206A

All levels of experience are welcome!

Come see if robotics is the right fit for you. We hope to see you there!

If you cannot make it but are still interested in joining, please email Mrs. Tracy lexi.tracy@indianola.k12.ia.us

GUIDANCE OFFICE NEWS:

COLLEGE FAIR: On Wednesday, Feb. 26th the counselors will take students to the ACAC college fair hosted by Simpson College. There will be over 61 organizations including colleges, universities, trades schools and military.

We will leave school at 9:30 and return by 11:15. Please fill out the below form to reserve your spot. Sign Up Priority sign up goes to juniors, but others are still welcome to sign up if spots are available. Contact Ms. Schwery with questions.

The ACT is a standardized test used for college admissions in the US. It is administered by ACT and offered at several testing locations in the area. To learn more ACT, when to take it, deadlines and how to register. students should see their school counselor and or reference ACT link.

The next ACT test offered at IHS will be April 5th. Registration deadline is February 26th.

JUNIORS AND SENIORS: The lowa Insurance Division is excited to offer a paid, summer internship experience for a junior or senior high school student in lowa. We would greatly appreciate it if you could share this valuable opportunity with your students. More details about the internship, including information on how to apply, can be found in the attached document.

SILVER CORD: The Silver Cord Program recognizes students for community service during their high school years. Students volunteering 150 hours by April 30 of their senior year will have the distinct honor of wearing a silver cord during their graduation ceremony. Details on the webpage. Silver Cord Webpage

VINTAGE HILLS: We would love to see if you have students that would come out for opportunities such as sing carols at Christmas, to play music for the residents, help us do various activities(we have bingo twice a week!), help with spring cleaning projects/gardening projects or if they have something special they would like to bring or do, it would be very welcome!

Sunny Huisman, Assistant Director; Office: 515-961-1924

THE ZONE: We are looking for more Juniors and Seniors to volunteer at The Zone for Silver Cord hours. The Zone is the afterschool program at the Middle School held in the cafeteria on Mondays and Thursdays from 3:20-5:00pm. We need volunteers for Mondays starting January 13. Students can sign up to volunteer by following this link, https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084CA9A623A3F4C16-51387614-thezone.

Many Hands Thrift Market in Indianola is looking for volunteers. Click on the following link for more information. **Many Hands Volunteer site**

COLLEGE/MILITARY VISITS:

See Halee in the Guidance Office for a pass to visit with any representatives (other than cafeteria visits)

University of Missouri-February 24 during lunch Northwest Missouri State University-March 10 during lunch Iowa State University-March 25

DATES TO REMEMBER:

February 18-20		Spring Conferences
February 21	NO SCHOOL	
March 17-21	NO SCHOOL	Spring Break
March 24-31	After school	Prom ticket sales in the PD room
April 5	7:00-10:00 pm	PROM @ Adventureland Palace Theater
April 7	NO SCHOOL	PD Day for Staff
May 25	1:00 pm	Graduation, Blake Fieldhouse
May 26	NO SCHOOL	Memorial Day
May 30	1 hr early dismissal	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

Are you moving? Or have you recently moved? When a student has a change of address, residency must be verified. The parent/guardian needs to complete the Change of Address form and provide acceptable proof of residency prior to the district updating the information.

Change of Address Form

Please do so in a timely manner. All mail will be sent to the previous address and transportation will not be arranged until the Change of Address form and proper proof of residency are received by the District Enrollment Coordinator.

Additional information may be found here: ICSD Change of Address Please contact Denise Moss, ICSD Enrollment Coordinator, with any questions. enrollment@indianola.k12.ia.us

NON SCHOOL SPONSORED EVENTS

PARKS AND RECREATION SEASONAL JOB OPPORTUNITIES: Indianola Parks and Recreation is now accepting applications for 2025 Seasonal Job Opportunities at the Indianola Veterans Memorial Aquatic Center and Pickard Sports Complex. You can apply online at indianolaiowa.gov/jobs.

DRIVERS EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES: Street Smarts at https://streetsmartsdriversed.com/ for the class schedules and registration OR Parent Led Program through the DOT. DRIVE RIGHT is another option.