# **Indian Woods Middle School**

## News at a Glance

## January 29, 2021

## **IMPORTANT DATES**

#### Mon, 2/1

Hybrid A - In Person at IW Hybrid B - At Home – Check into Wolf Pack Remote - Attend All Remote Classes All Students - Winter MAP Testing

#### Tues, 2/2

Hybrid A - In Person at IW Hybrid A - Picture Day - Social Studies Class Hybrid B - At Home – Check into Wolf Pack Remote - Attend All Remote Classes Remote - Evening Pictures 5-7:30 PM Remote - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sem. Supply Pick-Up 5-7:30 PM All Students - Winter MAP Testing

#### Wed, 2/3

Hybrid A - At Home – Check into Wolf Pack Hybrid B - In Person at IW Hybrid B - Picture Day - Social Studies Class Remote - Attend All Remote Classes All Students - Winter MAP Testing

#### Thurs, 2/4

Hybrid A - At Home – Check into Wolf Pack Hybrid B - In Person at IW Remote - Attend All Remote Classes All Students – Winter MAP Testing

#### Fri, 2/5

Meal Pick-Up - 6:30-7:45 AM (Door #7) All Students – Remote Learning

## **UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES**

Mon, 2/15 - <u>NO SCHOOL</u> - Presidents' Day Tues, 2/16 – <u>NO SCHOOL</u> – Teacher Professional Day Wed, 2/17 to Fri, 2/19 –

**REMOTE LEARNING** – All Students

## SCHOOL NEWS

## MAP Testing – Feb. 1-4

Students will be taking the Winter MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) tests Monday, Feb. 1 to Thursday, Feb. 4. All students, regardless of learning model, will take these tests during Math & English classes each day. Please make every effort to have students attend these classes while at home and in-person.

## Remote Student Supply Pick-Up Feb. 2

Remote teachers will have 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter supplies for pickup in conjunction with picture night for remote students on Feb. 2 from 5-7:30 PM. Sign-Up for school/yearbook pictures <u>HERE</u> and students will pick up supplies in the front hall then proceed to pictures in the library.

## Yearbook/Student Picture Days - Feb. 2-3.

IW Picture Days will be Feb. 2-3 as follows:

Feb. 2 – Group A – Social Studies Classes

Feb. 2 – Remote Students – \*5-7:30 PM

• \*Remote Student Picture Sign-up

Required: Sign Up <u>HERE</u> Feb. 3 – Group B – Social Studies Classes

Orders are <u>only</u> available online directly with Inter-State Studios. No paper orders, checks, or cash will be accepted. <u>Order your school pictures today</u>:

- Please <u>CLICK HERE</u>.
- Enter IW order code: **56959CB**, then click NEXT.
- Follow the prompts that Inter-State requires in the ordering process.

Orders placed on or before picture day will be delivered to school in approximately 3 weeks.

Families who do not order pictures prior to Feb. 2 will receive an email from Inter-State Studio with a proof and given an opportunity to order after our picture days. These orders may include additional fees for shipping.

Please make sure your email address is accurate in skyward. Call the school office at 913-993-0600 if updates are needed or there are questions regarding this year's Picture Day.

## February 2021 – Celebrating Kindness

Indian Woods will be celebrating Kindness Week(s) during the month of February. The IW Student Council will help to coordinate school activities.

The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's (LLS) *Hero Squad* Program is working with thousands of schools across the country to raise funds for blood cancer research and patient support services. Our school has partnered with LLS to take on the mission of ending cancer once and for all.

Wolf Packs and individual students will compete to win prizes. To locate each Wolf Pack's donation site, go to the website below and enter the teacher's LAST NAME under "Find a classroom" on the lower left side of the page <u>HERE</u>. Click <u>HERE</u> for information about downloading the Hero Squad app!

Kindness month activities will continue with a Spirit Week the week of Feb. 8-12. Look for information in next week's newsletter.



## **IW Contest Winners**

Congratulations to Yasmeen Alghsein, 7th grader, for her winning essay in the PTA Citizenship Contest. This year's theme was "Caring for My Community Looks Like". Yasmeen's essay will move on to the District competition, which will take place in February.

Congratulations to Landon Bonnett, 7<sup>th</sup> grader, who was the Indian Woods Spelling Bee winner and represented our school at the Johnson County Bee this week.

#### **Hybrid Learning**

For families that have selected In Person/Hybrid Model, <u>Click HERE for Hybrid Learning Reminders</u>. The alternate schedule for the week will be as follows:

 <u>HYBRID Bell Schedule</u> (Includes Lunch Schedule)

#### **In-Person COVID-19 Guidelines**

As students are back in the building, each day parents and their students are to do a <u>Daily Covid-19</u> <u>Assessment</u> that monitors for possible signs/symptoms. In addition to the Daily Covid-19 Assessment, please make sure students have a wellfitting mask that follows <u>SMSD Mask Guidelines</u>. Please feel free to call the nurse office if you have any questions – 913-993-0607.

#### **Remote Learning**

Families that have selected the **Remote Only** options will continue with their current schedule: <u>Remote Bell Schedule</u>

## IW PTA Fundraiser Virtual Jingle Bell Jog

A special THANK YOU to the 42 students who participated to raise \$4,029.85 of our \$8,000.00 goal through this this year's fundraiser! Congratulations to Kingston Savich, Josie Elsenraat, and Creed Myers who took home 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place respectively as the top 3 earners. Dr. Caresio's class took home the honors for raising the most money as a Wolf Pack. Thank you to everyone who supported the PTA. Donations are used by the PTA to support the students, teachers, school, and community.

#### IW Spirit Wear is Back! Order Today -

Click the memberhub link below to join PTA or show your school spirit and pride by purchasing IW Spirit Wear or the new Yard Sign! Check out the t-shirt and sweatshirt designs on this <u>FLYER</u> and order here:

#### https://indianwoods.new.memberhub.store/store

Contact Erin Emley at 913-231-6030 or <u>peacock.print1@gmail.com</u> if you have any questions about spirit wear.

## Indian Woods Sports

Indian Woods now has a new one-stop place to get answers about sports! The <u>Indian Woods</u> <u>athletics website</u> is where you can access all of the health forms, and get specific information regarding each sport, including the sign up form.

The district has partnered with Balderston Chiropractic Clinic to offer sports physicals for \$20 tomorrow Saturday, Jan. 30 from 9-11:30 AM, first come, first served. (Cash & Check only) See the flyer for more information, if you are interested. <u>Sports Physical Flyer</u>

Our first clinic will be boys' basketball on Feb. 1. Please refer to the website for clinic instructions and guidelines. The sign up for this clinic has closed.

## Revised Calendar For 2020-21

On Monday, Jan. 25, the Shawnee Mission Board of Education approved a revised calendar for the remainder of the 2020-2021 school year. <u>Click HERE for</u> <u>the REVISED Calendar</u>. Barring any unforeseen circumstances that would prevent SMSD from holding classes, here are highlights of the current calendar for IW students:

- Friday, Mar. 19 No school, Professional Learning
- Spring Break Remained the Same:
  - Friday, Apr. 2 NO SCHOOL, Teacher Workday
  - Week of Apr. 5 9: NO SCHOOL, Spring Break
- Thursday, May 27 LAST DAY K-11 (Early Release)

## **Food Service**

Did you know that physical activity and nutrition work together for better health? Regular physical activity can produce long-term health benefits. People of all ages, shapes, sizes, and abilities can benefit from being physically active. The more physical activity you do, the greater the health benefits. Children and adolescents ages 6-17 years should do 60 minutes or more of moderate-to-vigorous intensity physical activity each day. This includes aerobic activities that strengthen bones (like running or jumping) and activities that build muscles (like climbing or doing push-ups). For more information, <u>Click HERE</u>.

The school breakfast menus, lunch menus, and other nutrition information are available on the district's website <u>HERE</u>.