

Independence District



Newsletter

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Valedictorian and Salutatorian Named for Class of 2019



Valedictorian
Jorgiann Gierok

Valedictorian of the Class of 2019 is Jorgiann Gierok, daughter of George and Mary Gierok. Jorgiann’s accomplishments include Dairyland Band/Choir, Dorian Band/Choir, WSMA State Choir, State Solo and Ensemble, Basketball, UWEC Rugby, FFA Dairy Judging Team, FFA officer team, UWEC ROTC, Badger Girls State, and Student Council. Jorgiann plans to attend WTC for Industrial Machine Controls. She will be moving to Las Vegas in 2020 where she will be enlisting in the U.S. Air Force.



Salutatorian
Amy Marie Lien

Salutatorian of the Class of 2019 is Amy Lien, daughter of John and Susan Lien. Amy’s accomplishments include Forensics, Drama, Quiz Bowl, National Honor Society, POPS, Cross Country, and Band. Amy plans to attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison to major in Chemical Engineering.

Class of 2019 Graduation

The Class of 2019 will graduate Saturday, May 25, 2019 at 1:00 PM in the high school gymnasium.

Class Motto: “There are far, far better things ahead than any we leave behind.”

Lemony Snicket

Class Colors: Purple and Silver

Class Flower: White Rose

Class Song: “The Ones Who Got Me Here”—Cole Swindell

Class Advisors: Corey Comero, Jeff Ruhland, Barry Schmitt



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The Class of 2019 Recognizes Four Students for Academic Achievement

Besides the valedictorian and the salutatorian, there are an additional four students from the Class of 2019 being recognized for their academic accomplishments. Academic Achievement is based on a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 and above.

Congratulations



Nicole Filla



Alyssa Kulig



Daniella Warner



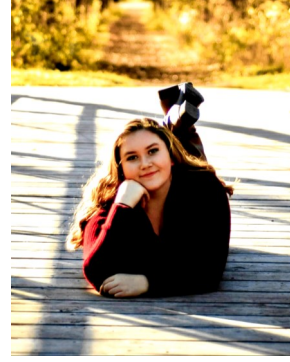
Geri Fredrickson



Ethan Bautch



Brennon Campbell



Destiny Campbell



Chase Cooper



Logan Dahl Abramczak



Elaina Gamroth



Isaak Gierok



Rylie Guza



Samuel Killian



Matthew Kingsbury



Carter Koval



Ashley Lundgren



Jordan Matchey



Oscar Montalvo



Taylor Nerby



Melanie Ovale

Class of 2019



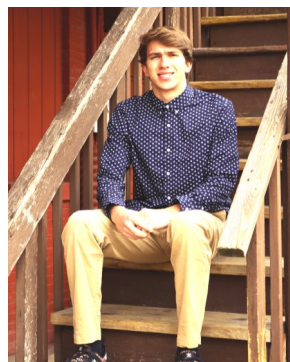
Matthew Pyka



Gipsy Rodriguez



Jennifer Salazar



Justin Samson



Nevaeh Scow



Bethany Skroch



Zachary Taylor



Lynnsey Tuschner



Albin Woychik



Andrew Woychik



From the Desk of Mr. Schmitt

CO-OP Update

It has been awhile since I have written about the status of the Trempealeau Valley Co-op 2.0 (TVC 2.0). If you are not familiar with TVC 2.0, it is essentially a re-birth of the model that was part of the local educational system from the 1980's through the early 2000's. Currently only Independence, Arcadia, Whitehall, and Blair-Taylor are part of TVC 2.0. It's

mission is "We will be a world-class collaborative educational system in a rural setting." What this essentially means is we want to give all students in this region the opportunities of a large high school, but keep the small school environment and atmosphere.

As with any new organization, or change to an existing one, there are growing pains. The initial purpose of the co-op was to give the students in the schools opportunities to take classes that may be unavailable on their campus, but available on another. For example, the Family Consumer Education program was cut in Independence many years ago, but it is still available at Whitehall and the other Districts in the co-op. In exchange, Independence is the only school in the co-op that offers a Machining course and an International Business course. This coordination between the schools allows students to have much more choice in scheduling classes and many more opportunities to take courses they are interested in. It also addresses the teacher shortage in many subject areas such as technical education.

The TVC 2.0 formed a Governing Board about one and a half years ago which is composed of two School Board members from each District. In addition to the Mission, the Governing Board has a list of seven Key Components to help direct its Mission. One of them is, "Regional stability and growth must become the primary perspective as we plan at all levels

inside our schools and communities coupled with recruiting and retaining staff and using all resources in the most cost-effective way." The interpretation of this component is that schools must be in tune with the local economy and local labor market projections to help sustain and grow the businesses and industry in the area. This will then also sustain the quality of our schools and the number of students attending them. Employment opportunities and quality schools work hand-in-hand in maintaining a vibrant local economy. This is why the Districts in TVC 2.0 are currently meeting with representatives of local business and industry to gather perspectives on their future employment needs. The Districts are also studying data on labor market projections for Trempealeau County and the region. All of this research is a basis for the Districts to develop career pathways and curriculums to meet the needs of the area and of the global marketplace. It may be surprising for some, but the reality is that many of our largest employers in this area not only do business locally, but also nationally and all over the world. A common phrase within the co-op is "It is our job to prepare students to go anywhere in the world, it's industry's job to keep them here."

Although the co-op model has been used before, this co-op is definitely dealing with a different society than before. Information and technology is growing at an exponential rate, and it is not only necessary to educate our students for the opportunities currently available, but we must also emphasize the ability for them to learn and adapt, as many of the jobs they will perform in the future aren't currently created. Although this is an exciting time it is also challenging. As the old cliché goes, "Two heads are better than one", I then hypothesize that four "heads" are much better than one or two. This is the whole premise behind our cooperation.

Barry Schmitt
District Administrator

Vanderloop Scoop

Ready to Lift Off!

As I reflect upon another year in the Independence School District, I value the relationships I've built with students, staff and families. By working together we are truly making some wonderful things happen for our students. Our staff continues to amaze with their efforts and focus on creating the best learning experience for each student. As a district, we may not always see great success right away, but our trajectory is pointing up as we are continuously improving with each day. We are ready for lift off!



The summer months are fast approaching. This is building a sense of urgency within our staff. Instead of a mindset of shutting down and getting ready for the summer break, our staff continue to challenge students with teaching of the power standards. Teachers want to make sure they are exposing each student to the standards they have identified as power standards before moving them onto the next grade level. It may not sound urgent for someone outside of a classroom, but it is a big deal to us. It is like taking a blueprint and seeing if the plan actually worked. This will be our second full year using our standard-based report card. When this year does come to a conclusion, we will analyze our student data and determine if the blueprint was followed, or if an adjustment is needed before the start of next school year. We do all of this to increase the rigor of our programming which will give each student the best opportunity to succeed beyond our school walls. There is great power having a common vision across our district that we can all aspire to attain.

We need to be proud of the great work that is happening. Our students are earning higher marks in the eye of our state. At the elementary

level, we are seeing a closure of our achievement gap when comparing different subgroups of students. Our elementary has been identified as a top school in the state in this area. We have recently earned a Title I Award for "Beating the Odds." This accomplishment is identified by the success our students have had on the state test (Forward Exam). Although we are seeing incremental success, we recognize there is still room for improvement. The arrow is pointing in the right direction and we hope to build capacity at each grade level so the knowledge of our entire district continues to grow. That is why efforts of teaching to the standard(s) and student learning is so important at every grade level.

Summer is fast approaching and soon our children will be out of our school walls and into the walls of our community. Although we would like as many students as possible to attend our summer programming, we know our students will be visiting the library, beaches, playgrounds, and even JoJo's Drive-In. When you see them around town, tell them you are proud of what you are hearing about your school. Tell them they matter and are important to their own success and the success of the district. Ask them about their day. Ask them what they are reading this summer. Even though we are small, we come together to do some amazing things. We would not be as successful without the support of our community. Be proud of your school district, we are ready to take flight! Thank you for being a positive, active community member for our children!

Robert Vanderloop
Principal/Director of Special Education

Go Indies!



End of the Year Device Check In Families of Independence Students Grades 6-12



TO: Families of Independence Students Grades 6-12

We would like to acknowledge students for taking exceptional care of the laptops again this year. The District leases these devices from Apple, and in the summer District Technology Staff will be going over the laptops to make upgrades to the software and your laptop will be reimaged. As a result, students will be “checking” the laptops back in prior to the end of the school year. Below is a summary of the process.

All students in grade 6-11 will be returning their laptop to school for **Summer Check In on June 6, 2019**. **Seniors will be checking in their device on May 23, 2019**.

Prior to May 23, 2019 (for Seniors), all students should make sure any files saved to Documents or on the Desktop are moved to Google Drive and that you have Synced Google Drive. Anything not saved to Google Drive will be erased when we reimage the laptop. Please see Mrs. Pientok or Mr. Xiong if you need assistance with moving your files. **You can also use a Google Service called Google TakeOut to move all of your documents and files to a zip drive to store on a separate flashdrive or external hard drive. All seniors will have access to their Independence Google account for up to 1 year after their graduation.**

On May 23, 2019 and June 6, 2019, each laptop will be collected and checked in by the student to Mrs. Pientok and Mr. Xiong. Students will be called from class by grade level to bring their laptop, case, and charger to the Cafetorium or other designated areas. This allows the tech staff to look over the laptop and accessories to determine if there is any damage and/or if the student will be charged a fee associated with any damage that is found.

Damage resulting from negligence will be a charge of at least 40% of the cost for a first offense. Students should be reporting any damages on their laptop as soon as they occur so that our staff can determine if the damage is a result of negligence and determine whether or not a fee will be assessed.

When students check in their laptop, they will need the following:

- Macbook Air
- Case
- Macbook Charger, Extension Cord and Duck Head

If the student does not return the Apple approved charger at the time of check-in, they will have until the end of the last day of school to check it in or will they be charged in full for the Macbook charger. **Cost of a charger is \$80.00.**

Students, if you are using a charger that is not Apple approved you are at risk at causing damages to your laptop. Any damage that may occur as a result of using a charger that is not Apple approved will be determined as negligence and you will be charged a fee as stated in the Digital Learning Plan.

During the check in time the Technology staff will be looking for the following things:

- Dents and Dropped Damage
- Missing or Damaged Keys
- Trackpad Issues
- Cracked screen, Pixel Issues
- Case Condition
- Functionality of Device

Any damage that is found on the laptop that results in the laptop not working to optimal functionality and is the result of negligence will be assessed a fee. All fees will need to be paid prior to the start of the 2019-2020 school year or your child will not be able to pick up their laptop at Family Learning Day. In the event of damage caused by negligence (failure to take proper care), the student and parent may be billed a fee according to the following schedule and payment must be in full within 3 months of the billing:

- First incident -- 40% of the cost to repair the device
- Second incident -- 80% of the cost to repair the device
- Third incident -- full cost of repair or replacement of the device

Some examples of damages that have occurred and the cost associated to fix the device include:

- Crack Screen: Replace screen cost \$500
- Dead Pixels: Replace screen cost \$500
- Missing Keys: \$15- \$150
- Damage to Charging Cord: \$80

We would like to thank you again for your support with the laptop 1:1 initiative and for your efforts in keeping the laptops in good care. We look forward to a smooth check-in process that will allow us to keep these laptops in the best possible shape for future educational use. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact Mrs. Pientok or Mr. Xiong

Thank You,
Independence Tech Department

As a reminder:

Students in grade 6-12 will be able to pick up their computer on August 28, 2019, which is the first day of school for the 2019-2020 school year.

Clipart Sources Throughout Newsletter

- <http://www.google.com>
- <https://www.facebook.com/>



College for Kids

Thirteen fifth grade students were able to attend College for Kids that was sponsored by the MVGTN (Mississippi Valley Gifted and Talented Network) on April 12th at the University of Wisconsin La Crosse. Students were selected to attend the event by writing an essay explaining why they would be a good candidate to attend the event.

The day included a variety of different sessions that were offered by university staff and students. Indeed students enjoyed sessions about cooking, engineering, rock climbing, anthropology, art and what it would be like to be a college student.

All of the students that attended had a great time and enjoyed seeing the campus and learning what a university has to offer. Many positive comments about the day were heard during lunch and on the ride home.



Owen Gierok, James Carrillo Taylor, Gunner Nelson, Jacob Pieper, Preston Solberg, Jose Cantu Lucio Marení Xochicale, Nancy Maldonado Ortiz, Naydi Morales Cervantes, Cristal Sandoval Lopez, Makiyah Scow, Nayeli Ortiz Hernandez, Serena Greenwold

Use of Our School

The following are Adult/Community Opportunities to use our school:

- Walking and community exercise 5:45am-10:00pm
- Meeting Areas/Rooms available on request by calling the office
- Athletic facilities can be reserved by filling a Facilities Use form available at the school.
- Weight room with a membership (see Patti Klimek in Student Services).

Heritage Fair

Talon Sobczak, Danika Ekern, Evelyn Lopez Cano and Emily Hovey were selected to represent our school on April 25th at the Regional Heritage Fair that is sponsored by the MVGTN. All of the fourth grade students selected a topic about Wisconsin to research for their project. After completing their research, students wrote an essay, constructed a display board and gave a presentation to their classmates. The students that were selected to attend the Regional Heritage Fair were selected based on the quality of their work and presentation. Each of the projects selected were unique and the students did a fine job with their presentations. Talon Sobczak did his project on the badger, Evelyn Lopez Cano did her project on the Ojibwe, Emily Hovey did her project on Holstein cattle, and Danika Ekern did her project on Ekern Dairy Supply.



L to R: Evelyn Lopez Cano, Talon Sobczak, Danika Ekern, and Emily Hovey

Announcements on TCC Station

Viewers can tune into 18-84 or HD channel 884 to view school announcements.

Hands on Health

On Tuesday, February 19th, six students from Independence joined several other schools for a Hands on Health Day through Scenic Rivers Area Health Education Center (AHEC) and Gundersen Health System. Students prepared with training on confidentiality and also learned about expectations within the medical field including dress code and technology policies. Students were able to



participate in job shadows with various departments, including gastroenterology, OB/GYN, child life, neuroscience, phlebotomy, and nursing. After shadowing professionals in real-life settings, students walked over to Gundersen's Integrated Center for Education (ICE House). While there, they rotated through several simulations including laparoscopic surgery, vaccinations, ultrasound, and anatomy challenges. All of the students thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to see what a day in the healthcare field is like. Many had their future plans confirmed or saw new areas they'd like to learn more about. We'd like to extend a heartfelt thank you to Bob Matysik from Scenic Rivers AHEC for coordinating the event and to Gundersen Health System for providing such a wonderful opportunity.

Left to right, bottom to top: Destiny Campbell, Yael Xochicale, Grace Pyka, Madisyn Conrad, Adaelyn Kalk, and Melanie Ovalle.



Bottom Row: ICE House student worker, Madisyn Conrad
Top Row: Yael Xochicale, Destiny Campbell, Adaelyn Kalk, ICE House student worker, Melanie Ovalle, Grace Pyka



Adaelyn Kalk and Yael Xochicale work on a vaccination simulation.

Young Writers Workshop

Four students from the Independence Middle School attended the Young Writer's Workshop on February 26th at the Arcadia Middle School. Those that attended included Teresa Najera, Alanna Crebo, Kiley Przybilla and Ahnna Bautch. Students were selected to attend based on recommendations of their classroom teachers.

The day was highlighted by a presentation and writing workshop with published author Amanda Zieba of Holmen, Wisconsin. The workshop also offered the students the opportunity to read a piece of writing of their choice amongst a group of peers from different schools and receive feedback.

All those that attended found the workshop helpful to their personal writing and enjoyed learning about the trade of writing from a published author.



Bianca Najera, Ahnna Bautch,
Alanna Crebo, and Kiley Przybilla

Intro to Machine and Metal Fab

On Thursday, April 18th, the Intro to Machine and Metal Fabrication students took a manufacturing tour through Plank Enterprises, Inc. in Eau Claire, WI. There they got to see first-hand what goes into making specialty industrial lighting and personnel lifts, as well as doing contract manufacturing for customers in the field of oil, rail, defense, and agriculture, just to name a few.



In the picture, Dan Low, Director of Manufacturing Operations, explains to the students how a CNC bender takes flat cut outs of metal and shapes them into industrial light troffers. Later he let each student take a turn operating a personnel scissor lift that they constructed there.



Spelling Bee

Students from the Independence Elementary School and Middle School participated in the MVGTN (Mississippi Valley Gifted and Talented Network) Spelling Bee on March 19th. Jacob Hubbell of the 5th grade and Damon Connor of the 8th grade traveled to Westby to compete against other schools from the north and south regions of the MVGTN. Jacob and Damon claimed their spots to compete in Westby by competing in our local spelling bee. Damon Connor was our Indee Spelling Bee Champion and Jacob Hubbell was our runner-up. Each of our Indee students did a great job representing our school and had fun while doing it.



EMT Completion

Congratulations to the Indee students who completed their EMT coursework this spring: Melanie Ovalle, Neveah Scow, Geri Fredrickson, Carter Koval, and Lynnsey Tuschner.

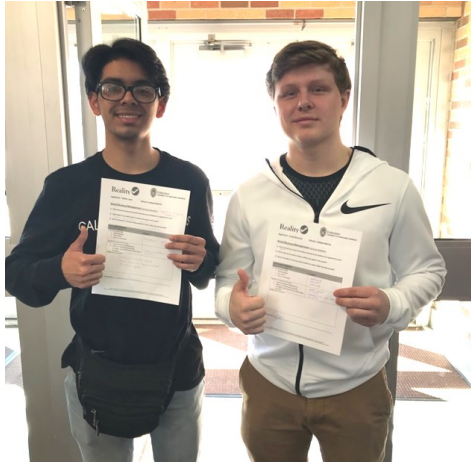


Reality Check 2019

Independence Juniors and Seniors participated in UW-Extension's annual Reality Check Event on Thursday, March 21st at Mondovi High School. The event is a simulation of the real-world decisions students will need to make in their mid-20's. Students examined their choices and consequences of decisions related to education, careers, earning, budgeting, borrowing, credit, alcohol and substance use, and child care.

Prior to the event, students worked with UW-Extension to research a career, earnings, educational requirements, educational costs, and benefits that they may encounter as a 25-year-old. Students started the Reality Check event by participating in a mock employment interview. Participants were assigned a wage and a description of their life (married/divorced, number of children, etc). Volunteers at the event helped students understand their paycheck, including taxes and withholdings. Students were then able to open a checking account using their monthly

paycheck, then use blank checks and a register to keep track of their spending. Participants were required to visit a total of 30 different stations to make financial decisions. These stations included housing, credit, human services, insurance, veteran's benefits, automotive, investments, and many more.



Fabian Leon and Creed Brenner are ready to start working after their employment interviews.

Once students visited all of the stations, they worked with an adult volunteer to review their checking account. If they had money left they discussed what could be done with the money on a monthly basis such as saving or investing. If they had a negative balance for the month, they had to go back to some of the stations and adjust their spending habits.

While almost all of the money used during Reality Check was pretend, a few Independence students were awarded real money. Creed Brenner, Nicole Filla, Rebecca Heiden, and Fabian Leon submitted business plans they created in their Entrepreneurship class, which earned them awards at the event. Congratulations on a job well done!

At the end of the day, students were tired and a



Dylan Marsolek, Carter Koval, and Sam Killian impress the interviewers.

bit overwhelmed; but, the general consensus was that there was a wealth of information to learn and it was a successful event. There were over 130 local volunteers from various businesses and agencies that helped with the day. A special thank you to UW-Extension for planning the event and all of the volunteers that made the day a huge success. We look forward to Reality Check 2020!



Chase Cooper had a run in with the law.



Welcome to parenting, Alex Risler, Matt Kingsbury, Wyatt Suhr, and Logan Dahl-Abramczak!



Ashley Career Day

On Wednesday, March 19th, the 8th graders participated in a Career Day hosted by Ashley Furniture. Students split into four groups to see different career clusters, including an engineering cluster, business cluster, machine and maintenance cluster, and a creative cluster.

Prior to the event, students were able to rank their preference on which cluster they were most interested in to make the event more meaningful to them.



Students who participated in the business cluster were able to present their business plans.

diesel maintenance, facility maintenance, welding fabrication, machine maintenance, tooling, and CNC programming. Students were also able to tour the tool and dye room, see two machines that are programmed by CNC and see the inside of a semi.



Students show off their foam animals that were made with machines they learned about.

The last option was the creative cluster, which heard from professionals from areas such as product design, public relations, digital media, graphic design, interior design, and product photography. After hearing from the panel, students were able to use a green screen, read a teleprompter, edit photos, and explore product design.

Thank you to Ashley Furniture for hosting our students and providing lunch!



Students heard from an interior designer.



Students toured the maintenance shop and learned about how machines are kept in proper working order.

Students in the engineering cluster heard from professionals in several different engineering departments, such as automation engineering, manufacturing engineering, facility engineering, product engineering, quality engineering, and packaging engineering. After hearing from the panel, students toured research and development, product engineering, saw automation in the factory, visited the quality lab where products are tested, and watched a SolidWorks class.

The second cluster was the business cluster, which heard from professionals in various departments, such as human resources, recruiting, business intelligence, imports, supply chain, customer service, accounting, and IT. After hearing from professionals in those areas, students created their own mock business plans.



Students toured the production floor.

Students in the machine and maintenance cluster heard from professionals in areas such as

Bike Helmets Distributed

The Independence Lions Club distributed bike helmets to 31 third graders from both Independence Public School and Saints Peter and Paul School on Thursday, March 28, 2019. Lion Paul Tobiason, an avid biker himself, reviewed principles of bike safety before the helmets were distributed and stressed the importance of always wearing a helmet when riding.



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ATTENDANCE POLICY

All parents are reminded to call the school by 9:00 a.m. on the day of your child's absence. Failure to notify the school by 9:00 a.m. may result in a disciplinary action for the student. We appreciate your cooperation on this. Again, if parents do not call, then we will call to confirm the fact that parents know where their children are (either at home or school), and that our children are safe. Thanks for your cooperation.

Students Visit The Salon Professional Academy

On Monday, February 18th, eight students from Independence High School visited The Salon Professional Academy in Onalaska. The academy offers several program options, including cosmetology, esthetics, massage therapy, and a beauty essentials makeup course. During the visit,



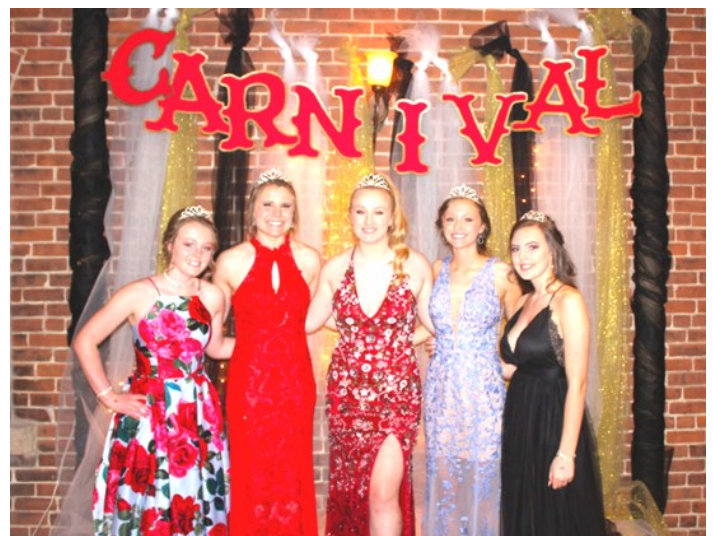
Front Row: Adaelyn Kalk, Elvecia Najera; Second Row: Lydia Peterson, Melanie Ovalle, Gypsy Rodriguez, Ashley Badillo Basillo.

students were able to tour the facility and learn about the program. They were also treated to makeovers and participated as models in the school's hair show. This was a great opportunity for our students to meet with, ask questions of, and learn from aspiring cosmetologists. Being involved in the afternoon also allowed our students to get a feel for what attending the school would be like. Thank you to The Salon Professional Academy for hosting us!



Mardi Gras Carnival Junior PROM 2019

This year's prom was based on the Mardi Gras! Because of state testing, the juniors were able to take a whole day to decorate and spend time together as a class. They decorated the historic opera house in red, gold, black, and white with masks, beads, and glittering lights. A giant mask and PROM letters adorned center stage for the grand march. The big surprise was the return of Ian Wright, last year's King, who had moved to the east coast shortly after prom last year. He and Daniella Warner crowned the new King and Queen. Court members were: Creed Brenner, John Halama, Fabian Leon, Alex Risler, Yael Xochicale, Krystal Johnson, Hailey Proctor, Grace Pyka, Lauren Sylla, and Brianna Truog. The newly crowned Prom King and Queen were Creed Brenner and Grace Pyka. The Juniors would like to thank all of the parents/grandparents and the organizations that made this memorable night possible!



Post Prom 2019

On April 27th, many of our students were in fancy suits and dresses and on their way to restaurants with their friends. From there, they attended Prom, then changed out of their formal clothes and attended Post Prom. The event has past, but hopefully there are a lot of fun and joyful moments to cherish from the evening.

The Post Prom event started at midnight, with several high school students attending. The Junior Class planned activities for the evening with the main request being the large inflatable. This year it was a 70-foot obstacle course. It was new to the students and everyone enjoyed it. Students also played basketball, bean bag toss and other activities in the gym. Some students enjoyed movies in the choir room, or card and boards games in the cafeteria. You could also see random blankets around the school with students getting naps. We had plenty of pizzas, hot dogs, ice cream and snacks for everyone to enjoy.

Again this year, we had a large amount of support from the community. Local and out of town businesses donated prizes and gifts for the students. Parents also contributed snacks for the students as well as helping out during the evening.

We want to acknowledge the following parents and teachers that took time out of their schedule to stay awake during Post Prom. Those helping this year are: Heather Back, Michelle Brenner, Kim Halama, Todd Matchey, Jill Scow, Tyler Sherry, Ms. Hruza and Mr. Evenson. Thank you for all your help! A special thanks to Tracy Halama and Keith Pronschinske for the extra work that was asked of them. This event would not be possible without the help and generosity from everyone! Thank you all so much!! The list shown is of those that donated to our event.

Rainbow Community Club
Arcadia Credit Union
Waldera Farms, LLC. Tom Waldera
Northern Investment, Inc.
Truog Plumbing Mike Truog
Pehler Oil
Nelson Straightline
Edison Funeral Home
Pehler & Sons
Compeer Financial
TCC
Donatell & Co., LLC
Wegman Construction, Inc.
WHTL Radio
Independence State Bank
Independence Lions Club
Piggy's Restaurant, La Crosse
Wal-Mart Onalaska
Scheel's
RCU
Monk's Bar & Grill
Mancino's
JoJo's Drive-In
Panera
Rocky Rococo /Eau Claire
Cold Stone Creamery
Olde Mill Hair Salon
LaCrosse Loggers
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Troy's Gas & Grub
Metropolis Resort
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Kwik Trip - Arcadia
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LaCrosse Fairgrounds Speedway
Cave of the Mounds
Nestle Food, Eau Claire
Trempealeau County Times
Whitehall Specialties
Bushy's Meat Market
Liberty Floral
Ella's Floral and More
Dave & Kelly Witte, East End Bar
JP Enterprises
Michelle Brenner
Darin & Jen Pape
Jamie & Heather Back
Kim Halama

Seniors Give Back

Sleep in Heavenly Peace is a nationwide, non-profit organization dedicated to building, assembling, and delivering beds to children and families in need. The Trempealeau County Chapter of Sleep In Heavenly Peace is one of only three chapters in Wisconsin. Since September of 2018, this chapter alone has built and distributed over 100 beds in our area. More information about the program, including how to request a bed, can be found at www.shpbeds.org.

The senior class worked in conjunction with Sleep In Heavenly Peace on Wednesday, April 24th to build 20 beds that will be distributed locally. Prior to the build, Mr. Hovell's classes prepared the lumber by cutting it to the exact sizes needed. Senior students were mentored by adult volunteers to learn the steps involved with building a bed, which included using drills, sanders,

stain, and branding tools. Even students who did not have any experience with woodworking prior to the event were able to be valuable members of the team. This was a wonderful way for our students to learn more about civic responsibility and let our Indee pride shine throughout our community. There will be 20 or more children in our community who no longer have to sleep on the couch, floor, or with family members. Children who receive the beds will also get blankets, pillows, and a mattress. For some, this may be the first time in their lives that they had their own bed.

A very special thank you to the Rainbow Community Club, for their monetary donation to fund this event and for organizing a bedding/pillow drive. To Starwood Rafter's for their discount on the wood and Central Builders Supply donating the screws and bolts. Thank you to Larry Guthrie, the SHP Trempealeau County Chapter President, for coordinating the event and for the SHP volunteers for helping with the build. Thank you to Mr. Hovell and the students at Independence High School for preparing and assembling the beds. This event showcased the impact we can make in our community when we work together.



Indee Powerlifters Go Back-To-Back at State Championships!

For the last two years Indee Powerlifting has brought home silver in the girl's team rankings. Well this year was the same, as the first weekend in March we traveled to Appleton, WI for the Wisconsin High School Powerlifting Association state championships. Independence had six ladies represent the team, and with the fierce competition they managed to bring home some hardware. New comer and first time state participant Rebecca Heiden placed 17th, in a very tough weight class. Next up, we had freshman, and last year's youth national champion, Chloe Cooper bring home bronze, as well as junior Elvecia Najera found herself a third place finish. Senior Jenni Salazar



L to R: Elvecia Najera, Bethany Skroch, Chloe Cooper, Jennifer Salazar, Geri Fredrickson, Rebecca Heiden, and Andi Laehn.

fought through some adversity, and also brought home the bronze medal. Finishing up, we had two seniors win the gold medal. Geri Fredrickson and Bethany Skroch ended up in the top spot of their weight classes. Congrats to all who competed at state.

Three weeks later Indee Powerlifting had five girls compete at the USA Powerlifting national championships in Alexandria, Louisiana. Freshman Chloe Cooper continued her success and took 2nd for Indee Powerlifting. Junior Elvecia Najera came from way back in the rankings, and finished with a fifth place medal. Our seniors, who are going to be hard to replace, Bethany Skroch had an unbelievably competitive class and finished with an 11th place. Geri Fredrickson and Jenni Salazar lifted great as well and each brought home silver in their weight classes.

On May 10th and 11th, Geri Fredrickson and Jenni Salazar will be competing in the USA Powerlifting women's open nationals in Chicago, (Lombard) IL. They will be trying to make either of the national teams that will be competing at the world championships in either Regina, Saskatoon Canada or San Jose, Costa Rica. Finally a few short weeks after that, Geri Fredrickson will represent TEAM USA at the world bench press championships in Tokyo, Japan on May 22nd. This is the first time in the 15 year history of Indee Powerlifting that we have had a lifter compete on the world level. Congratulations to all, and best of luck to the girls going on to compete. Special thanks to all the parents and coaching staff for their never ending support of Indee Powerlifting!

Spring Sports Banquet

The spring sports banquet is scheduled for Monday, June 10th at 6:30 PM in the high school cafeteria **(We will change this to June**

17th if we have late spring tournament success in Baseball). We will honor all spring sports athletes from baseball, softball, track, and golf as well as Academic all-conference recipients.

2019 High School Forensics

The 2019 High School Forensics season has drawn to a close and the Independence team has had another successful year! We battled against many school cancellations due to inclement weather, which resulted in many several missed practices and team meetings. Even with such hurdles (and Subdistrict being re-scheduled three times!), our team persevered.

Despite the many cancellations and date changes, we were finally able to attend our first real contest at Subdistrict, held in Arcadia on March 4. Team members needed to score 16 or higher (out of 25) in two of three rounds to earn the right to go on to District Contest. All students who performed that night went on to District.

District was held at UW-LaCrosse on March 16, just twelve short days after our initial competition instead of the usual full month. Unfortunately, Agustina Romero Alejo (Prose) and Lorraina Kalk (Poetry) were not able to perform at District due to family activities and illness. Those competing were Amy Lien, Poetry; Gipsy Rodriguez, Poetry; Kevin Halvorson and Kaci Kahler, Play Acting. At District, members needed to score 20 or higher [out of 25] to earn the right to go on to State. The entire team scored highly enough to go on to State.

The team traveled to UW-Madison for State Contest on Saturday, April 13. At State, all performers won silver medals! Congratulations, team!

Coach Holly Knudtson is very proud of you!



Attending State Forensics:
L to R: Amy Lien, Kevin Halvorson, Kaci Kahler, and Gipsy Rodriguez

Ashley for the Arts

The annual Ashley For the Arts will occur August 8-10 this year. This is the one of the biggest fundraisers of the year for the Independence Booster Club and athletic teams. There will be a sign-up located on the school website (Check back for updates) Please help us by donating your time and this will also give you access to the whole event for the weekend.

Additional Days for 4K Friends

Due to the snow days, we added some educational and fun experience for our 4K friends.

- Friday, April 26nd: Afternoon Only 4K students will have a full day of school (students will eat lunch in the cafeteria)
- Friday, May 17th: All 4K students will be traveling to Gierok Family Farm for a day of farm learning and fun.
- Friday, May 24th: All 4K students will be traveling to Irvine Park and Zoo in Chippewa Falls with 5K.
- Tuesday, May 28th: Morning Only 4K students will have a full day of school (students will eat lunch in the cafeteria).
- Wednesday, May 29th: Morning Only 4K students will have a full day of school for their 5K preview day (students will eat lunch in the cafeteria).
- Thursday, May 30th: Afternoon Only 4K students will have a full day of school (students will eat lunch in the cafeteria).
- Friday, May 31st: Afternoon Only 4K students will have a full day of school for their 5K preview day (students will eat lunch in the cafeteria).

More information about each day will be shared by Mrs. Schultz as the events get closer. **We will send bus slips home for parents to sign as full days will adjust transportation.**

Please reach out to Ms. Schultz or Mr. Vanderloop if you have any questions.

K-8th Grade Summer School Offered at Independence School District

The Independence School District will once again offer summer school to it's students. **Classes will run each day, Monday-Thursday, from 8:00 am - 2:15 pm for two sessions:**

July 8-11, 15-18, 22-25, 29-Aug. 1st

8am-2:15pm

Class size will be kept low to provide for small group instruction. Students in most need will be given priority to attend through a personal invitation.

Curriculum will focus on Math and Reading remediation to provide students with specific skills they need to become more successful in those areas. Most students lose two months of grade level equivalency in Math and Reading skills during the summer months! We are excited to continue enrichment classes as a part of the summer school offerings. We are looking to offer a cycle of Music, Physical Education and other enrichment activities.

We are working with Pape Bus, Inc to arrange pick-up and drop off points in town to help with transportation to and from summer school.

We will again be offering an optional **FREE breakfast** program to any student in our community, regardless of income eligibility, from 8:00am-8:30am. Please have your child to school by 8:00am if they intend to eat breakfast. A **FREE sack lunch** will also be offered to any student in our community at the end of morning instruction, before our afternoon session begins. **Lunch will be served from 11:00am-11:30am for anyone in the district under the age of 18 regardless if they attend summer school or not.**

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Summer Office Hours

**Monday – Thursday
8:00am – 3:00pm**

High School Awards Ceremony

Friday, May 17, 2019

1:30 pm

Independence Public School Cafetorium



Families are invited and encouraged to join us to celebrate student academic, scholarship, and co-curricular accomplishments.

Senior Scholarships
Senior Academic Achievement
Badger Boys' and Girls' State
Perfect Attendance
High Quiz Bowl
National Honor Society
Student Council
Instrumental and Vocal Music
Drama
Forensics
Yearbook

Did you Know?

Did you ever find yourself not being able to attend a concert or event that one of your family members are a part of? Well, don't miss another event! Many of the events, including concerts, special presentations and graduation, are live streamed using the school's Polycom camera. On the day of the event, log into the school's website (www.indps.k12.wi.us) and on the left side of the page there is a link called Indee TV Live. If you are not available to watch it live, you can also click on the link Indee TV and there are archived events listed.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE

www.indps.k12.wi.us is the web address for our dynamic website which is changing and evolving. We are hoping to make our website a 1 stop place where parents find information on school, school events, forms, the school calendar, lunch menu, and more. Where students find resources. And where anyone can go to find information on our district, where you can access our community link and find information on our Indee Booster Club, the Fitness Center, a link to our Volunteer page, current and past newsletters, School Board minutes, videos, and more.

8th Grade Promotion Ceremony

Friday, May 24, 2019

9:00-10:00 am

Independence Public School Cafetorium

Independence Public School

Families are invited and encouraged to join us for this celebration.



Middle School Awards Ceremony

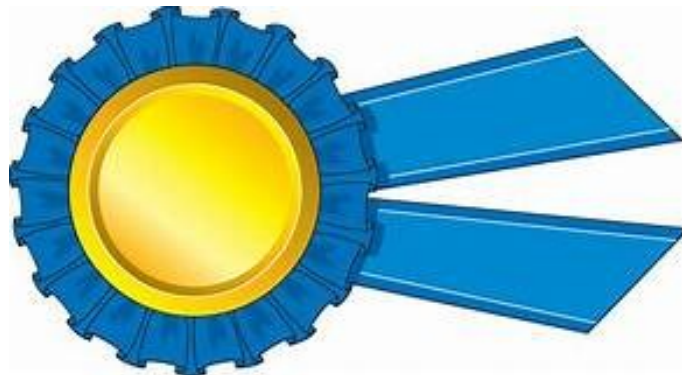
Friday, May 24, 2018

10:00-11:45 am

Independence Public School Cafetorium

Students will be recognized for academic, citizenship,
co-curricular, and athletic achievement.

Families are invited and encouraged to join us for this celebration.



**2019
INDEPENDENCE DAYS
RUN/WALK**



JUNE 8th, 2019
Pre-Register 7:00 a.m.-7:45 a.m.
8:00 a.m. 5K Run/Walk

2017 EVENT SPONSORS:

- Olde' Mill Hair Salon and Tanning
- Pronschinske Welding
- Pehler Oil, LLC
- Jolo's Drive-In
- Elk Rod & Gun club
- Pietrek's Service Station
- Marsolek Excavating
- Hi-Crush
- Starwood Rafters
- Independence State Bank
- Everin Tax Service
- Central Builder's Supply
- Northern Investment
- Troy's Gas & Grub
- Dascher Design
- WHTL Radio
- Indee Metal Works LLC
- Pape School Bus
- Bushy's Meat Market
- Buff's Bake Shop
- Olde Creamery Antiques & Refinishing
- Miemietz Construction
- Tri-County Communications Co-op
- Napa Parts & Performance
- Baxa Dental
- Edison Funeral Home
- Truog Plumbing LLC
- State Bank of Arcadia
- New City Cattle Company
- The Zoo Bar
- Liberty Floral & Gifts
- Sylvor's Bar
- East End Bar
- Indee Mini-Mart
- Independence Ready Mix



Proceeds will go to the
**Independence Athletic
 Booster Club**

Waiver must be signed for entry acceptance

In consideration of this entry, I the undersigned, intending to be legally bound hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against the Independence Days Celebration, committee, and the City of Independence for any and all injuries, suffered by me in the said event. I attest and verify that I am physically fit and have sufficiently trained for the completion of this event. I understand there are inherent risks in events of this nature held and I assume all such risks. I hereby grant full permission to any and all of the foregoing to use any photographs, readings, or any other record of this event for any purpose whatsoever.

Participant's Signature	Date
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If Under 18, Parent's Signature	Date
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Refund Policy

Entry fees are non-refundable; race numbers and entries cannot be transferred to another person. Refunds will not be given once your entry has been received.



INDEPENDENCE DAYS RUN/WALK

Packet pick-up

Packets may be picked up on Friday, June 7th, under the tent or race day, Saturday, June 9th, from 7:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m. under the pavilion next to the bridge.

Race day registration

Registration will be available on race day, June 8th, in front of the food stand tent from 7:00 until 7:45 a.m.

Course

Course begins at the bridge in downtown Independence and heads out on County Road Q and back to town.

Awards and Prizes

Awards are given to the overall top male and female. Individual awards also given to the top 2 male and top 2 female finishers in each age group.

Door prizes will be given out after the awards.



ENTRY FORM

First Name: _____ Mi: _____
 Last Name: _____
 D.O.B: _____
 Address: _____
 City/Town: _____
 State: _____ Zip Code: _____
 Phone Number: (____)____-____
 Email: _____

Make checks payable to:

Independence Booster Club

Send completed form to:

Lynette Speltz

N36794 Gierok Road

Independence, WI 54747

Entries can also be dropped off at

Independence High School

ENTRY FEES

14 and over \$20.00

13 and under \$10.00

T-SHIRT SIZE

- Small Medium Large
 X-Large XX-Large

5K Run/Walk

Male Female

13 and under 14-19 20-29

30-39 40-49 50-59 60-69

70 and over

**PLEASE put bib #'s on the
FRONT of your shirt**



Independence School District

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Welcome to Independence!

If you, or someone you know, has children ages 0-21 please complete and return the attached form so that we can better plan for the educational needs of students in our community.

Why Independence Public School?

Students come first

State of the art technology

Small class sizes on a 4K-12 campus

Progressive practices in curriculum and instruction

Most students graduate with 6 or more transferable college credits

And much more!

If you have questions about our district please feel free to contact any of our administrators:

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Children 0-21 years of age residing in your home:

Name of Child (first and last name)	Age	Date of Birth	Gender M F

Parents or Guardians (list only those living in household)

Parents'/Guardians' Full Names: _____ Date: _____

Address (street, city): _____ Phone Number: _____

Do you know of families that have pre-school or school-age children not in school: Yes No (If you mark yes we will contact you for more information)

Please return via postal mail OR in drop box outside public school main doors.

Censo del Distrito Escolar de Independence (Cuenta de Estudiantes).

Esto es solo para propósitos escolares. Su respuesta es muy apreciada!

El Distrito Escolar de Independence está recopilando datos del censo (cuenta de estudiantes) para niños de 21 años de edad o menores.

Su(s) hijo(s) asistirán a la escuela en Independence? Sí No Si es No, ¿a donde irán a la escuela? _____

Niños con 0 a 21 años de edad que viven con usted:

Nombre del niño (nombre y apellido)	Edad	Fecha de Nacimiento	Género M F

Padres o Tutores (Enumerar sólo a los que viven en el hogar)

Nombre Completo de Padres/Tutores: _____ Fecha: _____

Dirección (calle, ciudad): _____ Teléfono: _____

¿Sabe usted de familias que tienen niños en edad preescolar o en edad escolar que no están en la escuela?: Sí No

(Si marca Sí, nos pondremos en contacto con usted para obtener más información.)

Por favor regrese vía correo postal o dejar en la caja que está afuera de las puertas principales de la escuela pública.

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Independence School District
23786 Indee Blvd
Independence, WI 54747

Postage
Required

Independence School District
Attn: Patti Klimek
23786 Indee Blvd
Independence, WI 54747

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Indees Booster Order Form

 <p>1 Black/White STC16 Sport-Tek Flexfit Performance Colorblock Cap Size XS 5.5-7.18 S/M 6.34-7.14 L/XL 7.18-7.56</p>	 <p>2 Black/White STC16 Sport-Tek Flexfit Performance Colorblock Cap Size XS 5.5-7.18 S/M 6.34-7.14 L/XL 7.18-7.56</p>	 <p>3 Purple/White STC16 Sport-Tek Flexfit Performance Colorblock Cap Size XS 5.5-7.18 S/M 6.34-7.14 L/XL 7.18-7.56</p>	 <p>4 Black/White STC16 Sport-Tek Flexfit Performance Colorblock Cap Size XS 5.5-7.18 S/M 6.34-7.14 L/XL 7.18-7.56</p>	 <p>5 Black/White STC16 Sport-Tek Flexfit Performance Colorblock Cap Size XS 5.5-7.18 S/M 6.34-7.14 L/XL 7.18-7.56</p>	 <p>6 Black/White STC16 Sport-Tek Flexfit Performance Colorblock Cap Size XS 5.5-7.18 S/M 6.34-7.14 L/XL 7.18-7.56</p>	 <p>7 Black 8712 Alpine Piece - Picnic Blanket</p>	 <p>8 Black 8712 Alpine Piece - Micro Mink Sherpa Blanket</p>
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May 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Happy Memorial Day!</p>			<p>1 2:30 DISMISSAL 7:00pm School Board Meeting</p>	<p>2 GSB vs E-S 5:00pm BBB vs E-S 5:00pm Golf @ WHTL 4:30pm Track @ WHTL 5:00pm</p>	<p>3 Golf @ Viking Golf Course 4:30pm GSB @ Bangor 5:00pm BBB @ Bangor 5:00pm</p>	<p>4 GSB @ Poynette 9:00am BBB @ Mondovi 10:00am</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>6 JV BBB @ Pepin 5:00pm GSB @ Lincoln 5:00pm</p>	<p>7 Track @ Trempe Mtn 1:00pm MS Track @ BRF 4:00pm GSB @ WHTL 5:00 BBB vs WHTL 5:00</p>	<p>8 2:30 DISMISSAL</p>	<p>9 Track @ E-S 4:00p BBB vs Lincoln 5:00pm</p>	<p>10 Golf @ Walnut Gr Fountain City 4:30 MS Track 4:45pm DOUBLE HEADER GSB vs Augusta 5p BBB vs Augusta 5p</p>	<p>11 BBB Invite (H) 9:30am GSB Invite (H) 10:00am Robin Hood Presented by Drama Club 7:00pm</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Robin Hood Presented by Drama Club 2:00pm</p>	<p>13 Conf Track @ E-S Golf @ Valley Golf Mondovi 4:30pm GSB vs WHTL 5:00 Fr/Soph Conf Track (H) 5:00pm</p>	<p>14 Golf @ Wabasha 1:00pm MS Track (H) 4:30pm GSB vs MM 5:00pm BBB vs MM 5:00pm</p>	<p>15 2:30 DISMISSAL SENIOR INTERVIEWS</p>	<p>16 GSB Regionals TBD</p>	<p>17 BBB vs B-T 5:00pm HS Awards Program 1:30pm</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20 Track Regionals @ Mondovi 4:00pm</p>	<p>21 Golf @ Drugan's TBD BBB @ C-FC 5:00p GSB Reg TBD</p>	<p>22 3:33pm DISMISSAL SCRIBBLE PARTY 7-8pm</p>	<p>23 BBB Reg TBD Track Sect @ Boscobel 4:00pm GSB Reg TBD</p>	<p>24 8th Grade Promotion 9-10 MS Awards 10:00-11:45am</p>	<p>25 Graduation 1:00pm</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27 NO SCHOOL MEMORIAL DAY Honor the BRAVE</p>	<p>28 BBB Reg TBD Golf Sect @ Oaks Golf TBD GSB Sect TBD</p>	<p>29 3:33pm DISMISSAL</p>	<p>30 GSB Sect @ B-T</p>	<p>31 STATE Track @ UW-LaCrosse</p>	



















June 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>Summer Office Hours</i> Monday-Thursday 8:00am - 3:00pm</p>						1 State Track at UWL
2	3 State Golf TBD	4 BBB Sect @ Riverdale	5 3:33 Dismissal 7:00pm School Board Meeting 	6 GSB State TBD	7 Last day of School! 	8
9	10 	11 BBB State Fox Cities Stadium	12 BBB State Fox Cities Stadium	13	14	15
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July 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Independence 2019/20 Calendar

Approved 3/06/19

2019

July						
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- 4 Independence Day
- July 8 - Summer School
- Aug. 1 Summer School

August						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

- 5 Athletic Code Meeting
- 5-6 New Teacher Inservice
- 7 Registration Day
- 12-14 TVC 2.0 Co-op Institute
- 15, 26, 27 Inservice
- 28 Family Learning Day (5K - 5) and First Day of School (6-12)

September						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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29	30					

- 2 Labor Day
- 3 First Day of Co-op Classes
- 16 Inservice

October						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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- 17 PT Conferences 11- 7pm
- 18 Vacation

November						
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30

- 1 End of 1st Quarter
- 27 Vacation
- 28-29 Thanksgiving Vacation

December						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
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29	30	31				

- 23-24 Vacation
- 25 Christmas
- 26-31 Vacation

2020

January						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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- 1 New Year's Day
- 2 School Resumes
- 17 End of 2nd Quarter
- 20 Inservice

February						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

- 13 PT Conferences 11- 7pm
- 14 Vacation
- ?? ACT Date

March						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

- 12 Inservice (6th Snow Make-up)
- 13 Vacation (7th Snow Make-up)
- 27 End of 3rd Quarter

April						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

- 10 Vacation
- 13 Vacation (8th Snow Make-up)

May						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

- 19 Last Day of Co-op
- 23 Graduation
- 25 Memorial Day
- 29 Last Student Day

June						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

- 1 Inservice (1st Snow Make-up)
- 2 (2nd Snow Make-up)
- 3 (3rd Snow Make-up)
- 4 (4th Snow Make-up)
- 5 (5th Snow Make-up)

Legend

	Holiday		Inservice		Parent/Teacher Conference
	Orientation/Registration		Vacation Day		End of Quarter
	1:00 Dismissal		Summer School		Summer PD
	ACT Dates		2:30 Dismissal for Collaboration Time		

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PT Conferences would be scheduled individually by teachers each semester and they would be given credit for 2 teacher days.

175 Student	1st Quarter	44	
192 Teacher	2nd Quarter	44	1st Semester Co-op 85
194 New Teacher	3rd Quarter	45	
	4th Quarter	42	2nd Semester Co-op 78

Post at home



We look forward to seeing
ALL 4K-12 INDEE STUDENTS AND PARENTS at
 If you cannot attend please contact us at 715-985-3172

Registration Day

Wednesday August 7, 2019 11:00-7:00 pm

for **ALL 4K-12 INDEE STUDENTS AND PARENTS**

Handbooks, Meal Payment, Athletic and Organization Information,
 Schedule and Locker Information for grades 6-12, Indee Wear Shop, Fall Conference Set Up,
 Transportation Information, Indee Pride Yard Sign Pick Up

4K and New Family Welcome-2:00 pm and 6:00pm in cafetorium

Family Learning Day 4K-5

Wednesday, August 28, 2019 11:00-7:00pm

Drop in only for elementary students (4K-5) and parents

Dejar todos los suministros solo para estudiantes de (4K-5) y padres

Meet your teachers, School photos for 4K-5, See your classrooms and bring your supplies, medication drop off

First Day of School

Wednesday August 28, 2019 8:00-3:30 (full day for 6-12)

Pick up computers (6-12) if all forms are submitted, medication drop off, school photos for 6-12

It's going to be the Best Year Ever!



Independence School District 23786 Indee Blvd. Independence, WI 54747
 Phone: 715-985-3172 Fax: 715-985-2303 Drop Box located outside main door
 School Office Hours: 7:30-4:00 Monday-Friday (Summer Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:00-3:00)

2019-2020 Independence Public School Supply (updated 3-9-19)

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ELEMENTARY-Grades 4K-5

SHOES: 1 pair of non-marking shoes. This pair will remain at school and will be labeled by their teachers as "Inside" shoes. The "Inside" pair should be a "sneaker" shoe with a soft rubber non-marking sole that is easy to take on and off. Upon entering the school each morning, every child will change their "Outside" pair for their "Inside" pair. The shoes/boots worn to school each day should be a sneaker or other closed toe/heel shoe that can be worn in the playground wood chips.

4 Year-Old Kindergarten

- 1 paint shirt (adult T-shirt)
- 1 FULL SIZE BACKPACK (NO small size backpacks)
- 1 box of (24 count) *Crayola crayons*
- 1 box of *Crayola* washable markers (8 basic colors)
- 1 plastic supply/pencil box with latch (8-1/2"x5)
- 2 glue sticks & 2 bottles of white glue
- 1 box of crackers for class snack (monthly)
- 1 change of clothing in a plastic bag (socks, underwear, shirt, pants)
- 1 folder
- 1 wide ruled spiral notebook
- 1 box of baby wipes OR gallon Ziploc bags OR 1 box Kleenex
- 2 pair of athletic shoes (1 for inside, 1 for outside)

5 Year-Old Kindergarten

- 1 full size Backpack
- 3 boxes of 24 count *Crayola Crayons*
- 2 large pink erasers
- 1 bottle of white glue
- 1 pencil box
- Boys: 1 box gallon Ziploc freezer bags (20)
- Girls: 1 box quart Ziploc freezer bags (20)
- 1 box facial tissue 100 count box
- 1 box of crackers for class snack monthly
- 1 change of clothing in a plastic bag (socks, underwear, shirt, pants)
- 4 glue sticks
- 2 pair of athletic shoes (1 for inside, 1 for outside)
- 1 set of headphones for computers/ipads (no ear buds)

Grade 1

- 1 full size backpack
- 1 small supply box
- 1 yellow highlighter
- #2 pencils (about 48)
- 3 large erasers
- 1 box of 24 count *Crayola crayons*
- 1 box of *Crayola* washable markers (8 basic colors)
- 3-4 *Elmer's* glue sticks
- 1 folder
- 1 wide-ruled notebook
- 1 box of snack crackers per quarter
- 1 box *Kleenex*
- Boys: 1 box gallon ZipLoc freezer bags (20ct)
- Girls: 1 box sandwich ZipLoc freezer bags (20ct)
- 1 set of headphones for computers/ipads (no ear buds)
- 2 pair of athletic shoes (1 for inside, 1 for outside)

Grade 2

- 1 full-size backpack
- #2 pencils (about 48)
- 1 large eraser
- 1 wide ruled spiral notebooks
- 2 2-pocket folders
- 1 box of snack crackers per quarter

- 1 box Kleenex
- 1 set of headphones to be used with computers/ iPads (NO Earbuds)
- 1 **small plastic pencil box**
- 1 box of snack or quart Ziploc bags
- 2 pair of athletic shoes (1 for inside, 1 for outside)

Grade 3

- 1 full size backpack
- 1-1 inch 3 ring binder
- 24- #2 pencils (about 24). (Not mechanical. Do not label them)
- 1 box of colored pencils
- 1 plastic 2-pocket folder
- Scissors
- 1 wide-ruled spiral notebook
- 1 pkg wide-ruled loose leaf paper
- 2 large pink erasers
- 1 box of *Kleenex*
- 1 small supply box
- 4 *Elmer's* glue sticks
- 1 box of markers
- 1 ruler with metric
- 1 set of earbuds to be used w/computer/iPads
- 2 pair of athletic shoes (1 for inside, 1 for outside)

Grade 4

- 1 full size backpack
- 1 inch 3-ring binders (no trapper keepers)
- 2 pocket plastic folders with three ring center
- 2 wide-rule spiral notebooks
- 4 *Elmers* glue sticks
- 20 yellow #2 pencils (Not mechanical. Do not label them)
- 2 yellow highlighters
- 1 box of *Kleenex* for classroom
- 1 small supply box
- 1 8-pack of markers
- 1 pack of colored pencils
- 1 pack of loose leaf paper wide-rule
- 1 set of earbuds for computers
- scissors
- 2 pair of athletic shoes (1 for inside, 1 for outside)

Grade 5

- 1 full size backpack
- 1 (2 inch) 3-ring binder
- Dividers and paper for binders
- 4 spiral plastic notebooks (red, purple, green, blue)
- 4 plastic folders (red, purple, green, blue)
- 1 set of colored pencils
- Pencils No. 2 and extra erasers (no mechanical pencils)
- Highlighters
- 1 box of *Kleenex*
- 2 pairs of athletic shoes (1 for inside, 1 for outside)
- 1 **set of earbuds for computers**

Independence School District
School Supply List
MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6, 7, 8)

ALL students will need:

****If you are experiencing financial hardship and need assistance with school supplies please contact your child's principal.***

- (Optional) Large binder or Trapper Keeper for all folders and notebooks with a pencil pouch
- Planner/Calendar of choice (however, use of Google Calendar on your MacBook is preferred)
- Earbuds or headphones
- 4-8 packs of pencils
- Several blue/black pens
- Red pens; One box of colored pencils
- 3 Highlighters
- Extra erasers

PLUS:

Math

- 1 RED plastic folder
- 2 RED spiral notebooks
- TI-30X scientific calculator (Grades 8) We will supply calculators to use at school, but you may buy a calculator if you want your own.

English

- 1 BLUE folder
- 1 BLUE notebook
- 1 WHITE 1 ½ Binder (**6th GRADE Only** - that stays with them through middle school)
- 1 pack of binder tabs (**6th GRADE Only** - that stays with them through middle school)

Social Studies

- 1 PURPLE plastic folder
- 2 PURPLE spiral notebooks
- 1 PURPLE 1 ½" Binder (**6th Grade Only** - that stay with them through middle school)
- Loose leaf paper

Science

- 1 Green 1 ½" Binder (**6th GRADE Only** - that stays with them through middle school)
- 1 GREEN plastic folder
- 1 GREEN notebook

Physical Education

- 1 pair of non-marking athletic shoes
- Shorts
- Sweats
- T-Shirt
- Socks

General Music/Choir

Grades 6, 7 and 8

- Black Pants (NO Blue Jeans!)
- Dark Shoes and Socks

Band 6, 7, 8

- 1 ½" Black binder for Band Music only
- Metronome/Tuner (available online or at local music stores)
- Pencils
- For Concerts: Black Shoes & Black Socks
- ***Music Stand for home practice is highly recommended



*A positive attitude and a willingness to learn!



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HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)

ALL students will need:

- (Optional) Large binder or Trapper Keeper for all folders and notebooks with a pencil pouch
- Planner/Calendar of choice (however, use of Google Calendar on your MacBook is preferred)
- Earbuds/headphones
- Several boxes of pencils
- Several black/blue pens
- Several red marking pens
- Extra erasers
- Folder and notebook for EACH class (buy extra to have/replace throughout the year as needed)
- 2-3 Highlighters

PLUS:

Mathematics: We will supply calculators to use at school, but you may buy a calculator if you want your own.

- 1 Binder
- 2 Notebooks
- 1 Folder
- Pencils (prefer no pens)
- 1 Calculator (scientific or graphing calculator)

English 10

Notebook for journaling (can be a composition notebook)

Science

- Loose leaf paper
- Colored pencils

Social Studies

Agricultural Science & Tech Ed

- 1- Notebook
- 1- Folder
- 1-Basic function calculator (+,-,etc.)
- Appropriate clothing for shop classes

Careers

- 1 Package plastic page protectors
- 1 Folder

Health

- 3 Ring binder with loose-leaf paper

Physical Education

- Non-marking athletic shoes
- Extra change of clothes: shorts, t-shirt, socks, sweats

Spanish

- 1-2"- 3-Ring binder, loose leaf paper/notebook
- 2-3 Dry erase markers

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Choir

- Black Pants and Black Dress Shoes
- Pencils
- Highlighter

Band

- 1 ½" Black binder with pocket folder & notebook for lessons & class
- Pencils





- Independence Public School
- Independence K-12 Art
- 3rd Grade at Independence
- 4th Grade Independence Elementary
- Independence Athletic Booster Club
- Indees Volleyball
- Independence Indees Girls Basketball
- Independence Indees Boys Basketball
- Independence Indees Music Dept
- Independence Gilmanton-Football

- Independence-Gilmanton Track & Field
- Independence High School Powerlifting
- Indees Fastpitch Softball
- Indee Drama Club
- Independence FFA
- Independence Indees Baseball
- Independence Post Prom
- Independence Prom 2016
- Indees Themes

BOXTOPS 4 EDUCATION

Thank you to everyone that sent Boxtops in this year! We will continue to collect Boxtops for the 2018-2019 school year. Our goal for this year is \$2,000. Please help us reach our goal by sending Boxtops to school. They can be sent with a student or dropped off in the main office. Last year the money raised was used to support field trips. Again, thank you for your efforts.

Don't Forget to Collect BOX TOPS!



and send them to your school



Independence Public School Memorial Scholarship Fund

The purpose of the Independence Memorial Scholarship Fund is to support and encourage students to continue their education by granting yearly scholarship awards.

The Independence Public School Memorial Scholarship is a fund of the Eau Claire Community Foundation.



DONATE TODAY >>>

Send your donations to Eau Claire Community Foundation, 306 S. Barstow St. Suite 104, Eau Claire, WI 54701 or donate online at www.indps.k12.wi.us, the School District of Independence. Please note the Independence Public School Memorial Scholarship Fund on your check.

Everyone, Every Day

We Appreciate your Support!

Please continue collecting for our school. The money earned goes towards field trips for our students in grades 4K through 8th grade. Items that you can collect and bring to our school include:

- Box Tops
- Pop Tabs
- Cans 4 Kids (aluminum cans)
cans can be put in fence by football field





Due to the excessive amount of snow and cold days this school year, the Independence School District has needed to do numerous revisions to its [school calendar](#). There will be school on June 6 and 7. In addition to this, starting on Wednesday, May 22nd there will be no more 2:35 dismissals on Wednesdays. All school days from that day on will end at 3:33. Thank you for your patience during a very trying weather year. **JUNE 7th is the LAST SCHOOL DAY!**

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