

Mustang Minute



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Principal's Message

Welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! We are excited to welcome back all of our students back for in-person learning, but must follow mandated protocols for safety.

Starting Tuesday, September 7:

- All visitors, including parents, volunteers, college interns, etc... are required to show proof of full Covid-19 vaccination or a negative Covid-19 test result dated within the prior 7 days. There are no exceptions.
- All school staff are required to be fully vaccinated or test weekly for Covid-19.
- These protocols will be in place until the Governor's Executive Order expires.

District 87 follows Illinois Department of Public Health and Center for Disease Control guidelines for Covid-19 protocols in school:

- Masking - required for all adults and students in the building
- Social distancing - minimum of 3 feet between students, when possible
- Frequent handwashing, available hand sanitizer, assigned seating

The CDC identifies **student close contacts** as individuals who are within 3-6 feet of an infected student, and not consistently masked, for a cumulative period of 15 minutes within 24 hours. Thus, masking consistently is important in minimizing transmission and impact on others.

Students identified as close contacts are removed from class and sent home immediately for a quarantine period of 14 calendar days. Students in quarantine who develop symptoms should get tested for Covid-19, and will have a 10-day quarantine period upon positive test.

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Skyward Messenger emails are sent to all Irving families and staff to notify of individual Covid-19 cases if the infected person has been in the building up to two days prior to symptoms beginning.

Students who are required to quarantine will have the opportunity to make up their work, just like a normal absence. Teachers may provide quarantine work ahead of time, or may prepare packets for pick-up for quarantined students.

One of the best ways to prevent transmission at school is to keep students home when they are experiencing Covid-like symptoms. When Covid-19 symptoms are present, please keep your child home and arrange for testing. Rapid testing can be administered by the school nurse for students with symptoms.

Students should stay home and be tested if they have any of these symptoms:

- Temperature of 100.4 or higher
- Headache
- Shortness of breath
- New cough
- Sore throat
- Vomiting
- Diarrhea
- New loss of sense of taste or smell
- Fatigue from unknown cause
- Muscle or body aches

If you have any questions, please contact Nurse Breanna Lopez at Irving at (309) 827-8091.

Picture Day



Fall pictures will be on Monday, September 13, 2021. Remember to wear your smiles that day!

New Irving Staff

Mr. Paul Allen-Instructional Coach

Mr. Willie Boyd-Project Oz School Restorative Practice Specialist

Mrs. Lauren Grant-Kindergarten

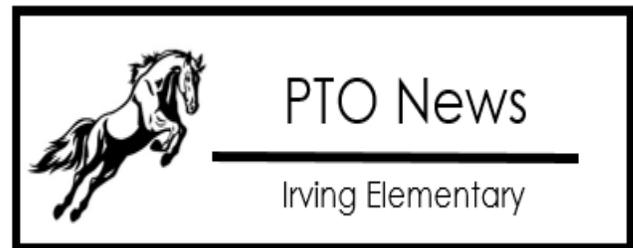
Ms. Kristina Mitchell-Paraprofessional

Ms. Shaylin Schwetz-Special Education

Ms. Sandral Tyus-El Teacher

Ms. Kemora Williams-Second Grade

Irving PTO



We are so excited to be moving forward this year in meeting, even if it means through Zoom some of the time! With the welcome of fall this month comes a dining fundraiser with Monical's Pizza on September 13th, PTO meeting on the 21st, and the Spirit Wear items you may have ordered! We welcome whatever involvement you can give, whether through one of our meetings OR via our facebook page, which can be found at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/433228473475459>. If you would like to get notifications of our meetings, you may text IrvingPTO to 309-431-6347.