

Disciple Dispatch

August 2024

It's Still Summer...

...but the back-to-school planning bug is real.

Relieve the itch by perusing this newsletter for the most pertinent information for a happy start to our 2024-25 IHM school year. The office staff will be happy to answer all other questions and concerns during school office hours as noted below.



Back to School IHM Office Hours

Monday, August 12, 9:00 a.m. until Noon
Tuesday, August 13,9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
Wednesday, August 14, 9:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 15, 9:45 a.m. until 2:00 p.m
Friday, August 16, 9:00 a.m. until Noon

Monday, August 19, 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 20 Normal School Hours 7:30 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.



The IHM School App: Don't start school without it!

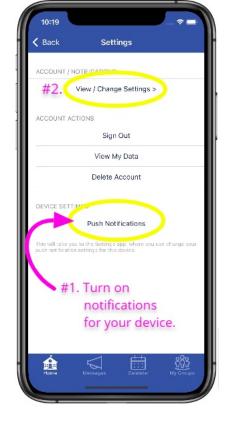
The surest way to receive immediate updates, cancellations, and be connected

to all things IHM is to download the IHM School App on your smartphone.

Be sure to allow notifications!







Our app has a special group feature that offers more content for parents & guardians.

In order to access that content, create an account and use our **private access code** to find and select groups with additional school-related content.

Our access code is:

0815





2024-25 Class Lists

All class lists, PreK-8th grade, will be posted on the front doors of the school

Thursday, August 13

3:00 p.m.



The IHM 2024-25 Staff

Preschool 3's: Ms. Karen Gawronski, Mrs. Alyse Claunch

Preschool 4's: Ms. Karen Gawronski and Mrs. Jennifer Ansell

Young 5's: Mrs. Jennifer Ansell

Preschool Aides: Mrs. Maria Weber, Mrs. Angela Bayes, Mrs. Jamie Keesee

Preschool Enrichment and Disciple Den: Mrs. Lynda Davis, Ms. Lore Carmody, Mrs. Kathie

Southerington, Mrs. Angela Bayes

Kindergarten: Mrs. Carrie Sova, Mrs. Lauren Host / Mrs. Jennifer Aagesen

Kindergarten Aides: Ms. Jan Elliott, Ms. Bethann Petkus

1st Grade: Ms. Dawn Stockholm 1st Aide: Mrs. Debbie Sremba

2nd Grade: Mrs. Karli Simon, Mrs. Rachel O'Hearn

3rd Grade: Mr. Mike Jacobs, Mrs. Meredith Tallman

4th Grade: Mrs. Karen Pettinger, Mrs. Katie Alexander

5th Grade: Mrs. Cathy England, Mrs. Theresa Gordon

6th Grade: Homeroom: Mr. Stephen Hummel

7th Grade Homerooms: Mrs. Kathy Menno and Miss Mary Novak

8th Grade Homerooms: Ms. Josephine Savillo and Mrs. Robin Zeleznik

6-8 Science: Mrs. Kathy Menno

6-8 Math: Miss Mary Novak New!

7-8 ELA: Ms. Josephine Savillo

7-8 Religion and History: Mrs. Robin Zeleznik

Student Support: Ms. Jennifer Savillo, Mrs. Joanne Grantham

Title I Tutors: Mrs. Alyse Claunch, Mrs. Marianne Berkemeier

Arrowsmith: Mrs. Sandy Brooks

Art: TBD

Computer/Technology: Ms. Kelly DeVries

Library: Mrs. Wendy Kuzma

Music/Choirs: Mrs. Kaylynn Hire

Band: Mr. Bill Bier, Mrs. Jenna VanOyen

P.E.: Mrs. Amy Taylor (Coach)

Spanish: Mrs. Debbie Dymowski

When We Return to School

Monday, August 19

Meet and Greet your teachers 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm (grades K-8)

Drop off your school supplies, then head over for *Popsicles on the Playground! Popsicles on the Playground* is for preschool families too!

(Preschool families will meet their teachers at their orientation later in the week)

Tuesday, August 20

First day of Classes for all K-8th graders

Doors open at 7:40 am for all K-8 students

Class begins at 8:00 am

Parent Back to School Rosary 8:00 am at the Mary statue in front of the school

Parent Coffee (8:30 am) and Back to School Parent Meeting 9:00 am

Early Dismissal 11:00 am for everyone

Disciple Den is open until 5:30 pm for those who prearranged with Mrs. Davis

Wednesday, Aug 21

Full Day of School for grades 1-8

1/2 Day for all Kindergartners regardless of enrollment selection

Hot Lunch begins

All School Mass 9:00 am Come celebrate the start of the school year with us

Thursday, August 22

PreK 3 Orientation Day 9:00 - 10:00 am in the Preschool
1/2 Day for all Kindergartners regardless of enrollment selection

Friday, August 23

PreK 4 AM Classes Orientation Day 9:00 - 10:00 am in the Preschool Young 5's Orientation Day 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm in the Preschool 1/2 Day for all Kindergartners regardless of enrollment selection

Monday, August 26

This week, Kindergarteners begin K-Enrichment or Full Days as enrolled First Day PreK 4 AM classes First Day Young 5's Classes begin Enrichment Classes begin

Tuesday, August 27
First Day PreK 3 Classes begin

View our Calendar for more events



Parents! Load your child's lunch accounts now. Those new to IHM should contact Ms. Kelly DeVries to set up Infinite Campus accounts (our student information system) where they will also find their child's lunch account.

kdevries@ihmschoolgr.org

Parents should have received forms in the US Mail last week regarding free and reduced-cost Hot Lunch Meals for the coming school year. Families who were part of this program last year must resubmit forms every year. Those wishing to be



Here is the link for our the 2024-25 dress code:

IHM School Dress Code

NOTE: Students in grades 5-8th are required to wear a **gym uniform** consisting of navy mesh shorts and an IHM t-shirt.

Gym shirts will be available for sale out of the school office beginning next week for \$10 each.

added/considered this year must also fill out the forms. Return them to the IHM office.

Cost for Hot Lunch Meals \$3.50 Extra Milk is available for .50

The menu for August will be emailed next week.

Shorts may be purchased anywhere athletic shorts are available.



IHM ONLINE SPIRIT STORE IS OPEN!

It's time to buy the next size up of IHM Spirit gear and swag. Very popular during colder months is the 1/4 zip dri-fits. These are approved for wear during the school day. Online orders will close on Tuesday, August 20th at Midnight, with a threeweek out delivery date. Shop here:

www.revbusinessstore.com/ihm



School Supply Lists

Go to the <u>Parent Page of the school website</u> for a complete list by grade for PK-8th of all the supplies your child(ren) will need for the coming school year.

On the App, click on the groups button on the bottom and then "Parents and Guardians" to find the 24-25 supply list.

Note: Have your child (K-8th only) bring his/her supplies to the Meet and Greet hour on **Monday**, **August 19**. This will leave students virtually hands-free to hug and kiss you goodbye on the 20th.;-)

Technology Reminder:

No cell phones of any kind or smart watches are permitted in the classroom or lockers during school hours. If you wish your child to carry either, they are to drop them off at the school office on the way into school and pick them up on the way out after school.

Note too: please remind your students



that they not to use their computers or cell phones during the school day. If they need to reach you, they will be welcomed to do so from the school office.

Join us at the 2024 IHM Auction for a Wautical Vight

Of Bidding & Brilliance!

Please mark your calendar for **Saturday November 2, 2024**

Visit the auction website for event details, donation needs, or volunteer opportunities. https://ihmparish.ejoinme.org/auction2024

Questions? Looking to get involved?
Contact Lindsay Lowery or Monica Reeder
at ihmschoolauction@gmail.com

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