



*Inspire to Learn.
Empower to Excel.*

The Knights Code

Integrity

Unity

Loyalty

Courage

Perseverance

Service

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Independence Update

APRIL 6, 2018

*The 2017-2018 Award Winning
Independence High School
Royals Present*



THE JOURNEY

Friday April 13th at 7pm
Saturday April 14th at 2pm & 7pm
IHS Auditorium
\$5 Students / \$10 Adults

Upcoming Dates

Saturday, April 7th

Girls Soccer Regional Quarterfinals

District Track Meet
Memorial Stadium

JV Baseball vs. Mesquite Poteet
1:00 @ IHS

Varsity Baseball vs. Lewisville
1:00 @ Lewisville HS

Monday, April 9th

Choir UIL

Boys/Girls Golf District Tournament

9th Baseball vs. WHS
5:00 @ WHS

JV/V Softball vs. LHS
5:15/7:00 @ IHS

Tuesday, April 10th

STAAR EOC ENG I & ENG II

Choir UIL

Boys/Girls Golf District Tournament

JV/V Baseball vs. WHS
4:30/7:30 @ IHS

Wednesday, April 11th

STAAR EOC ENG I & ENG II

Choir UIL

Student/Faculty Tennis Tournament
4:30 @ IHS Courts

Thursday, April 12th

HOSA State

STAAR EOC ENG I & ENG II

Friday, April 13th

HOSA State

STAAR EOC ENG I & ENG II

JV/V Baseball vs. WHS
4:30/7:30 @ WHS

9th Baseball vs. WHS
5:00 @ IHS

Royals Spring Show Performance
7:00 @ IHS Auditorium

Saturday, April 14th

HOSA State

Girls Soccer Regionals

UIL Academic Speech Regionals

Bank 5K
8-4 @ IHS Football Field

Royals Spring Show Performance
2:00 & 7:00 @ IHS Auditorium



Knights in Action



HOME Café





Knights in Action

The JV Choir Girls received a sweepstakes for their performance and sight reading!



On March 23rd our IHS Student Council hosted a Best Buddies Spring Formal. This sensory friendly dance was decorated with an Old Hollywood Theme. This student led function exhibited the inclusiveness of our IHS student body. All students that attended enjoyed a night of dancing, snacks and friendship!





From Counseling

Course Request Changes for 2018-19

Do you need to change a course request for the 2018-19 school year? Students will be able to view course requests for next year in Home Access beginning on March 26th. You will find next year's course requests under the "Classes" Icon in the "Schedule" Tab in Home Access. If a student wishes to make a change, the student must pick up a Course Request Change Form from the counseling office, complete the form, acquire necessary signatures (student and parent), and then return to the form to counseling office.

We realize that some programs have not made their selections yet (some of the advanced CTE practicums, ISM, Student Council, etc.). If you receive notification of acceptance/denial for ANY program after the April 13th deadline, you will still be allowed to make any necessary changes.

How to make a change to course requests for 2018-19:

1. **Check Home Access (beginning on March 26th) to view your current course requests (if no change is needed, no action is required).**
 2. **Pick up a Course Request Change Form from Counseling if changes are needed.**
 3. **Complete the form with the class(es) you no longer want and list the replacement class(es) with student and parent signatures**
- Turn the Form in to counseling office prior to 3:30 PM on Friday, April 13th.**

IMPORTANT ITEMS TO REMEMBER:

- No ELECTIVE is guaranteed to make on your schedule next year. Be flexible and have back-up classes planned..
- There are no schedule changes allowed at the beginning of school. **(Level changes of a course-PAP/AP- are allowed at schedule pick-up before the first day of school. Program changes-athletics, choir, band, etc.- are allowed during the first two weeks of school during tryouts). THE ABSOLUTE LAST DAY TO MAKE A CHANGE TO AN ELECTIVE is APRIL 13TH, BY 4:30 PM. After the April 13th deadline, elective change requests will not be honored.**
- If you originally selected an elective that you did have the pre-requisite for, you have been removed from that class.
- If you selected to take "Track" at IHS, you have been moved into the Cross Country course. Track students at IHS are scheduled into this period.
- Do not select to take Early Release or Late Arrival if you do not have your own transportation for next year. Students with ER or LA must be off-campus during these periods.
- You cannot select office aide or teacher aide period until the first two weeks of school. Select another desired elective for now.



From Counseling

English 1 and English 2 STAAR End of Course Exams

Freshman and sophomore students will soon be taking the English I and English II EOC exams.

English 1 EOC- April 10th @ 9:00 am

English 2 EOC- April 12th @ 9:00 am

Testing Location- Be at your testing location by 8:50 am on the day of the exam. Testing locations will be posted in the café the week before. English classes will also be taking their classes to the gym to locate seats before the exam.

Supplies: Bring standard testing supplies, such as pencils, erasers, and highlighters, as well as a light sweater/jacket. No blankets allowed.

Lunch/Snack: Students will be given five hours to complete the test. Many students choose to also bring snacks and water. Students should bring a sack lunch if they did not earlier indicate to order a lunch from the café. Students testing will eat lunch in the gym, and will NOT be eating in the café on exam day. Water is the only allowed drink and must be in a clear container. No other outside drinks will be allowed.

Technology: Cell phones, smart watches, tablets, iPods, etc are NOT allowed in the testing room and should be left at home or placed in your student's locker for the duration of the test. Should any of this technology be brought to the testing room, it will be collected and held for return upon completion of the school day.

We appreciate your help in preparing students to do their best on these important tests required for graduation. If you have any questions regarding upcoming testing, please email: Latresea Kennedy at kennedla@friscoisd.org



From Counseling



Just for Juniors: College Admission 101

April 11, 2018

6:30 - 8:00 pm

Lone Star HS

2606 Panther Creek Pkwy
Frisco, TX 75035

Collin College

Mississippi State University
Oklahoma State University
Southern Methodist University
Stephen F. Austin State University
Texas A&M University
Texas State University
Texas Tech University
University of Arkansas
University of North Texas
University of Oklahoma
University of Texas
University of Texas - Dallas



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Announcements

Class of 2018 Dues and Prom Tickets

If your student attended IHS during their 9-11 grade years, you may have paid Class of 2018 Dues. If so, the dues that you paid go towards your student's prom ticket. Our Student Council is selling tickets on B Days in the café during lunches and they have a list of who has paid dues and in what amounts. You may also email our finance secretary, Vickie Rupprecht, at rupprecv@friscoisd.org if you would like to inquire about Class Dues. If you paid Class Dues, and your child does not pick up their ticket, you will be given the opportunity to request a refund of those funds after Prom has occurred. The refund process will be advertised in the newsletter as well as emailed out to every senior parent and student.

Please note, this is NOT the same thing as the Senior Fees that were collected this year by the Senior Parent Booster Club. Those fees were paid for senior activities, which included the Bon Fire, 5th Quarter, Power Puff Game, and Six Flags trip.

Teacher Appreciation Week

Our annual Teacher Appreciation Week will be April 30—May 4, 2018. During this week, we honor all of our teachers and their hard work throughout the school year. If you are interested in donating anything or if you have a company/business that would like to sponsor an event, please contact Campus Secretary, Michelle Arellano at arellanom@friscoisd.org or 469-633-5406. We appreciate any and all donations from our community partners.

Seniors

ATTENTION SENIORS!!

All Senior information and updates will be on the IHS website under resources/2018 seniors.

<http://schools.friscoisd.org/hs/independence/site/resources/2017-seniors>



**COME RUN WITH US!
NOT A RUNNER? SPONSOR
A BAND STUDENT**

**APRIL
14**

**INDEPENDENCE
HIGH SCHOOL**

**SIGN UP OR DONATE AT
WWW.PLAYTRI.COM/PURPLEPLUME**

**PURPLE PLUME 5K AND 1 MILE FUN RUN BENEFITS
IHS KNIGHTS BAND**



SPIRIT NIGHT!



**MONDAY, APRIL 9TH
ALL DAY!**

Please join us to support the IHS band!

MUST MENTION IHS BAND

6311 CUSTER ROAD
LOCATION



Do you want to
get involve at
IHS?

Do you love
football and
the outdoors?

Do you need
community
service
hours?

2018 Spring & Fall Football Managers Needed

Where: IHS Practice Field

Date & Time: April 24, 2018 6:15 am

Interest Meeting: April 11, 2017

8:20 Room B125

Contact: Coach Davenport Room B125 or email

davenprtj@friscoisd.org



POWDER PUFF SAND VOLLEYBALL

SAT, APRIL 28TH, 1-4 PM

\\ SENIORS VS JUNIORS //

Boys will play... Girls will coach

The Beach at Craig Ranch

TEAMS OF 4 OR
INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS

Game Day Shirt Included!

SIGN UP IN THE
CAFETERIA

APRIL 10-13

Seniors Sign up Free with
Paid Dues or Pay \$10

Juniors Sign up for \$10

INDEPENDENCE
High School
POWDER PUFF
FOOTBALL

Sign Up at Lunch or the Front Office

JUNIORS

Sign Up TODAY
and buy your
ticket and
receive a T-shirt

\$20.00

SENIORS

Sign Up TODAY
and you receive
a T-shirt