

Welcome to 5th Grade Parent Night



CLASS OF 2033



Welcome to Inver Grove Heights Middle School

We are excited to welcome you to Inver Grove Heights Middle School, Class of 2033!

The **goal for tonight** is to give you information to help make your student's transition to middle school successful!

Get to Know IGHMS



Principal
Matthew Drugg

Important Dates for the Class of 2034

- **January 27:** 5th Grade Parent Night
- **February/March:** Register for 6th Grade Music Elective
- **May:** 5th Grade Tours at IGHMS
- **August 19th:** Orientation
- **September 1:** Family Connections
- **September 2:** WEB Day (First Day of School for 6th grade only)

WHAT MAKES IGHMS A GREAT SCHOOL

AVID DEMONSTRATION SCHOOL

ACADEMICS | ARTS | ACTIVITIES

STRONG STUDENT CONNECTIONS

WHAT TO EXPECT NEXT YEAR

1:1 Student Technology

Schoology – Learning Management Tool

Grade Level Teams + Separate Lunches

Greater Independence and Responsibility

IGHMS Daily Class Schedule (A/B Sample)

Breakfast	8:10 a.m. - 8:25 a.m.	
1st Period	8:30 a.m. - 9:25 a.m.	MN History
2nd Period	9:29 a.m. - 10:24 a.m.	Intro to Pre-Algebra or Pre-Algebra
3rd Period	10:28 a.m. - 11:23 a.m.	Language Arts
4th Period	11:27 a.m. - 12: 23 p.m.	Earth Science
Lunch	12:23 p.m. - 12:53 p.m.	
FLEX	12:57 p.m. - 1:22 p.m.	
5th Period	1:26 p.m. - 2:21 p.m.	Spartan Pathways / Reading
6th Period	2:25 p.m. - 3:20 p.m.	Phy Ed / Music Elective

GIFTED LEARNER SERVICES AT IGHMS

1

ENRICHMENT

Middle school students have a weekly opportunity to meet with the GT specialist.

2

CLUSTER GROUPING

GT students are clustered into two advisory sections at each grade level to strengthen peer relationships. Students who are subject accelerated are also clustered into classes together.

3

SUBJECT ACCELERATION

Students who meet eligibility criteria are subject accelerated in math and English in order to earn early high school credit.

IGHMS Success 101



Assistant Principal
Jason Voss

Assistant Administrator
Jesse Hannes

IGHMS Success – For Parents

- ❑ Be Engaged – Schoology / Infinite Campus / Securly
- ❑ Prepare Your Student for Success
 - ❑ At School – Cell Phone (AWAY FOR THE DAY)
 - ❑ At Home – Support Study Habits
- ❑ Support a Successful Transition
 - ❑ High Expectations to Start 6th Grade
 - ❑ WEB Day

IGHMS Success - For Students

- ❑ Be Prepared
 - ❑ Technology - iPads
 - ❑ Focus on building strong study habits and school behaviors for 6th grade
 - ❑ 5th Grade Visits
 - ❑ Orientation Day
 - ❑ WEB Day
- ❑ Be Engaged
 - ❑ During School
 - ❑ Kept in lockers: Phones, Air Pods, Backpacks
 - ❑ After School
 - ❑ Arts / Athletics / Community Education
- ❑ Be Present
 - ❑ Attendance is Critical
 - ❑ Tardies
 - ❑ Unexcused Absences

IGHMS Success – For Students & Families

Be An Advocate

Who Can Support My Student at IGHMS?

- ❑ Teaching Staff
- ❑ Administration
 - ❑ Principal - Matt Drugg
 - ❑ Assistant Principal - Jason Voss
 - ❑ Asst. Administrator - Jesse Hannes
 - ❑ Asst. Administrator - Kasie Tverberg
- ❑ School Counselors
 - ❑ Jennell Garten (A-K)
 - ❑ Jess Maloney (L-Z)
- ❑ Social Worker
 - ❑ Kaela Delmont
- ❑ School Psychologist
 - ❑ Michele Nelson

IGHMS Activities 101



Assistant Principal
Jason Voss

IGHMS Activities

MS Activities Director: Jackson Ryan
HS Activities Assistant: Missy Berglund

[IGHMS Activities Website](#)



Fall Sports & Activities

SPORTS

- ☐ 6th - 8th Grade Girls Volleyball
- ☐ 6th - 12th Grade Cross Country (HS)
- ☐ 6th - 12th Grade Girls Swimming (HS)
- ☐ 6th - 8th Boys & Girls Soccer
- ☐ 7th - 12th Grade Fall Danceline
- ☐ 7th-12th Grade Girls Tennis (HS)

Activities

- ☐ Chess Club
- ☐ Newspaper
- ☐ Students for Change

Winter Sports & Activities

SPORTS

- ☐ 6th - 8th Grade Girls Basketball
- ☐ 6th - 8th Grade Boys Basketball
- ☐ 6th - 8th Grade Boys & Girls Wrestling
- ☐ 6th - 8th Grade Stomp and Cheer
- ☐ 6th -12th Grade Boys Swimming
- ☐ 7th - 12th Grade Girls Hockey (HS)

Activities

- ☐ IGHMS Jazz Band
- ☐ Downhill Ski Club
- ☐ IGHMS Theater
- ☐ Newspaper
- ☐ Students for Change

Spring Sports & Activities

SPORTS

- ❑ 6th - 8th Grade Boys & Girls Track
- ❑ 6th - 8th Grade Girls Flag Football
- ❑ 7th - 12th Grade Adapted Bowling
- ❑ 7th - 12th Grade Boys Tennis (HS)

Activities

- ❑ Newspaper
- ❑ Students for Change

The Benefits of Athletics / Activities / Clubs Participation

MSHSL: Students who participate in Interscholastic Athletics and/or Fine Arts

- Higher GPA
- Better attendance
- Lower Dropout Rates
- Fewer Discipline Problems
- Develop Social Skills

Multiple National Studies also report:

- Activities Build Character
- Increase Self Confidence
- Relieve Tension
- Generate School Pride and a Sense of Community

General Questions?

For more specific questions,
email Matthew Drugg at druggm@isd199.org

For questions about Special Education,
email Ellen De Grand at degrande@isd199.org

For questions about Gifted/Talented,
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Thank you, we are
excited to have you
join us next year!