IHMS ANNUAL TITLE I MEETING

5:00PM-5:30PM

OPEN HOUSE

5:30PM-6:30PM

Ryan Joseph, Principal
Cynthia Walker, Title I Contact

MISSION & VISION

OUR MISSION

Independence High Magnet School

is committed to academic excellence and the personal development of all students.

We strive to make a positive impact every day and pave the pathway to lifelong success.

OUR VISION

Building Future Readiness

We will build a professional learning environment that will prepare students for college and career readiness, encourage critical thinking, and equip students with the skills necessary to succeed in a rapidly changing world.

Federal Funding

Independence High Magnet School is a Title I school and receives federal funds.

Student Growth

We are committed to ensuring our students have every opportunity to grow, thrive, and reach their full potential.

Teacher Support

Our plan ensures all teachers are fully prepared and equipped to provide students with what they need to be successful.

SWP GOALS

Our Overall Goals for the 26-27 School Year Include:

Graduation Rate

Increase the overall graduation rate from 89.4% to 95%.

LEAP Proficiency

Increase the LEAP score proficiency rate by 3% or more in ALL subject areas.

Advanced Credentials

Increase the number of students receiving Advanced credentials.

ELPT Progress

Attain more Advanced scores on the English Language Proficiency Test (ELPT).

ACT Growth

Increase the composite ACT average score from 14.8 to 16.

Student Attendance

Continue to improve and support school-wide student attendance. The attendance rate goal is 93%.

Budget

Staffing & Salaries

Secures salaries of essential teachers and paraprofessionals to support classroom instruction.

Student Resources

Secures and purchases essential student learning supplies, including workbooks, calculators, and materials.

Family Engagement

Dedicated funds to plan, support, and host various parent and family engagement events.

Parent & Family Engagement

2026–2027 Activities

School & Academic Events

- **Meet & Greet/Orientation**
  Held on August 6th
- **Annual Title I Review/Open House**
  Present / Ongoing
- **College & Career Fair**
  Scheduled for September 29
- **STEAM Night**
  Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math
- **ASVAB / TOPS / ACT Night**
  Standardized testing and pathway preparation
- **LEAP Instructional Resources and Testing Informational Event**

Community & Support

- **Parent-Teacher Conferences**
  One-on-one progress discussions
- **Grandparents Day**
  Celebrating family support and community
- **Surveys & Feedback**
  Continuous engagement and evaluations
- **Future Opportunities**
  Other engagement events to be determined

GRADING SCALE

Grades in all subjects will be assigned using a ten point scale as follows:

A	B	C	D	F
90 – 100	80 – 89	70 – 79	60 – 69	0 – 59
4 Points	3 Points	2 Points	1 Point	0 Points

IHMS TIGERS

TPSS/IHMS STUDENTS Dress Code Policy

RESPECT • RESPONSIBILITY • READY TO LEARN

Dress for Success

GOOD CHOICES BRIGHTER FUTURES
IHMS TIGERS

General Restrictions

No nose rings
(clear pieces must be purchased immediately)

No hoodies
(hooded jackets/hoodies will be confiscated)

Skirt/short length:
3" above knee max

A belt is required
if pants have loops

Shirts & Footwear

Approved shirt colors:
purple, navy, and white

GO TIGERS!

Spirit Fridays require
spirit or school-issued shirts

Shoes must have a closed front and back



DISCIPLINE TODAY LEADERS TOMORROW

SAME STANDARDS STRONGER TIGERS!

INDEPENDENCE HIGH MAGNET SCHOOL

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

BE HERE. BE PRESENT. BE YOUR BEST.

IHMS TIGERS EOY GOAL: 93% DAILY ATTENDANCE

★ FOR 26–27 SCHOOL YEAR ★

PARENT REMINDERS

- Do not forget to send student excuse notes *(each note is good for up to 5 days!)*
- We encourage checkouts to occur after the half-day time of 11:30
- Try to schedule appointments later in the afternoon or during the summer

STRONG ATTENDANCE TODAY, BRIGHTER FUTURES TOMORROW!

GENERAL INFORMATION & RESOURCES

- **FINS** (Families in Need of Services)
- **HOPE CLOSET** *(see below)*
- **STUDENT REWARDS** for meeting goals
- **RESTRICT** driving privileges
- **ATHLETIC** restrictions

HOPE CLOSET ♡

Mission: To ensure all students feel supported, valued, and cared for academically, socially, emotionally, and physically.



Offering:
Grab & go snacks and personal items



USE THE QR CODE TO COMPLETE THE FORM TO RECEIVE ITEMS

ATTEND TODAY. ACHIEVE TOMORROW. SUCCEED FOREVER.

Once a Tiger, Always a Tiger!

TPSS Cell Phone Policy

- 1st Offense: Phone is confiscated, properly documented and locked away (IN THE OFFICE). The device is returned to the student at the end of the day. ***Parents must be notified.***
- 2nd Offense: Same as above except the device is confiscated for 3 days. A parent conference is MANDATORY before the device is returned (to the parent).
- 3rd & Subsequent Offense: Same as above with minimum 7-day confiscation (maximum 14). A parent conference is MANDATORY before the device is returned (to the parent).
- Cell phones MUST BE OFF & in backpacks.
- Students who refuse to surrender cell phones should be referred to the office. Violation will receive an automatic OSS (unless there are other factors that may warrant a different consequence).
- If you choose to hold cell phones, it is at your own risk. Make sure classroom doors are locked anytime backpacks are left in your rooms.

Important Reminders

Attendance Reminders

1. *The school attendance rate goal is 93%.*
2. *Students are chronically absent if they miss more than 10% of school days in a year.*
3. *Students may be retained if they have 14 or more unexcused absences.*
4. *Send in parent notes when students are absent.*

1st 9-Week Period

October 9th

The end of the 1st 9-week period is October 9th. Remind students to complete all course work even if it is late.

Discipline Reminders

1. *Students must get to class on time and adhere to school procedures & protocols.*
2. *Disrespectful behavior is a major infraction.*

Breakout Sessions / Visitations

To Classrooms

8-Minute Rotations

Parents and guardians will visit classrooms in 8-minute rotations until each block is covered.

Teacher Discussions

Teachers will discuss key information relevant to their classroom environment and subject area.

Content & Topics

- Curriculum details
- Grading policy
- Subject area updates