

IMS BULLDOGS

OCTOBER 22, 2026

Message from Principal Gill

Thank you to all of our parents, guardians, and at-home adults who attended our parent-teacher conferences this week. As a school, we want to continue to partner with our families and commUNITY to support our students as they learn and grow throughout the school year. We would also like to thank our Parent Teacher Group (PTG) for providing our teachers and staff with a wonderful lunch/dinner. The food was delicious and greatly appreciated by all. Our PTG is always looking for more help and support as they provide our school and students with extra opportunities, as well as supporting our staff in a variety of ways. For more information about how you can help, please email them at ioniamsptg@gmail.com

H.E.R.O today. Stronger leader tomorrow. Bulldog for life!

HEROs of the Month (September)



Upcoming Events

Oct. 26: Red Ribbon Week! and IMS Hangout

Oct. 30: ½ Day Studnets/Staff PLC

Nov. 5: PTG Meeting, 6 pm

Nov. 13: IPS Veterans Day Ceremony 7pm @ IHS

- IMS Hangout 3-5pm

Nov. 20: Fun Night 6-8pm

Nov. 25-27: Thanksgiving Break

Lunch Menu: October 26 - 30

Monday - Hot & Spicy Chicken Tenders

Tuesday - Chicken Fajitas

Wednesday - Bosco Sticks

Thursday - Mini Chicken Corn Dog

Friday - Half Day, Sack Lunch

GENERAL INFORMATION

M1 & WQBX Teacher of the Week

Congratulations to Mr. Brighton, who is the recipient of the M1 Teacher of the Week award. Mr. Brighton is a veteran teacher and Math Department Head here at IMS. He has the unique ability to transform challenging mathematical concepts into engaging, accessible experiences for his students. We are lucky to have him as one of our teacher leaders and thankful for all he does!





VETERANS DAY BREAKFAST

8 am
Wednesday, November 11, 2026

IHS Room 304
Veterans Eat for Free - Public Is Welcome

HONORING ALL WHO SERVED







IONIA VETERANS CEREMONY

7 PM
NOVEMBER 13

IONIA HIGH SCHOOL GYM
250 E. TUTTLE RD., IONIA, MI



HONORING ALL WHO SERVED

If there's a veteran you'd like us to honor, please email
bgurk@ioniaschools.org with his/her name, rank, branch, & service dates

GENERAL INFORMATION



Halloween Costume Expectations

To ensure a safe, inclusive, and productive learning environment on Friday, October 30th, middle school students (6th-8th grade) are welcome to wear a costume to school, provided they adhere to the following guidelines:

- **Face Visibility:** Full-face masks, full morph suits, and face-obscuring paint are prohibited.
- **Footwear:** Regular school dress code footwear is required.
- **Zero Weapons Policy:** No replica, toy, or simulated weapons of any kind (e.g., plastic swords, Nerf blasters, fake knives, bows) are permitted on school grounds.
- **Handheld Items:** Please leave excessive props, wands, shields, or large accessories at home.
- **Gore & Horror:** Costumes featuring graphic violence, excessive blood/gore, or extreme horror themes (e.g., slasher characters) are not permitted.
- **Cultural Sensitivity & Respect:** Costumes must not mock, mimic, or demean any culture, race, religion, gender, or disability. Cultural stereotypes are not costumes.
- **Inappropriate Themes:** Costumes referencing drugs, alcohol, tobacco, gang affiliation, vulgarity, or political campaigns are strictly prohibited.
- **Standard Dress Code Applies:** Costumes must offer standard coverage (no exposed midriffs, undergarments, or excessively short skirts/shorts).
- **Classroom Functionality:** Costumes must allow students to sit comfortably at a desk, write, walk through crowded hallways, and use the restroom unassisted. Oversized inflatable costumes or bulky outfits that block views or aisles are not permitted during regular class times.

Students whose costumes do not meet these standards will be asked to change into other clothes or standard school attire for the day. Thank you for your support in making this a fun and safe day for all students!



CAMO DAY

Friday, Oct. 23



7 pm, Friday, October 23, 2026

Ionia High School vs. Lakewood High School

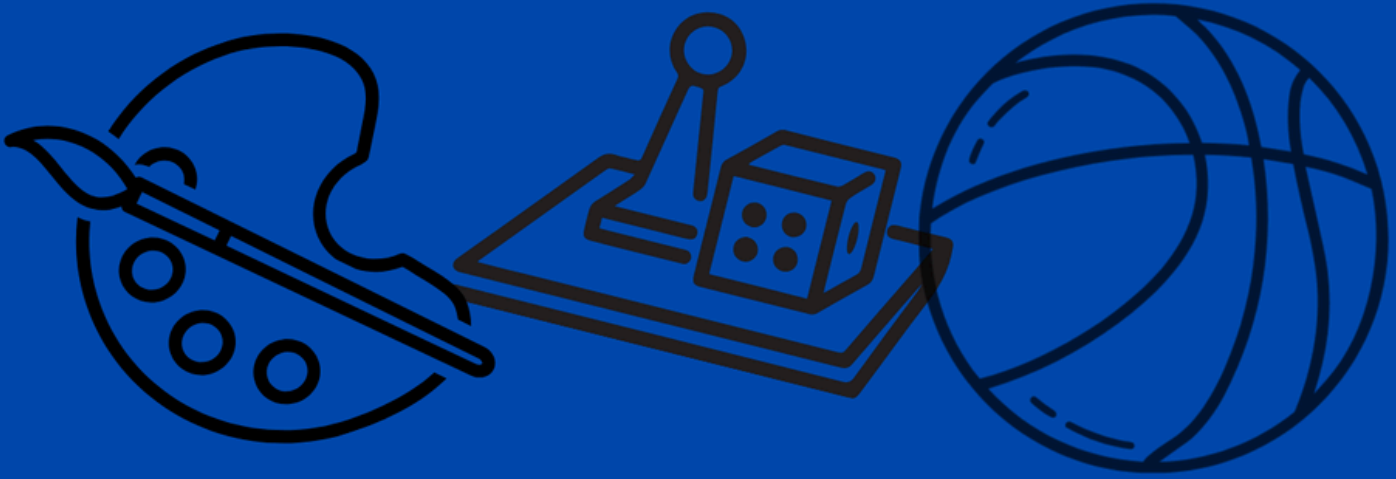
Lloyd T. Smith Memorial Stadium, Ionia, MI



JOIN US!



IMS HANGOUT



ONLY \$3!!!

Hangout after school and enjoy some time with friends. We will have board games, crafts and music in the lunch room!

Monday
26TH
October
3 - 5PM

LIMITED CONCESSIONS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE