

The Jaguar Pounce Newsletter!

Our Mission

Stonybrook Intermediate Academy empowers all students with the appropriate core competencies, to

become productive citizens in a global society.



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Principal's Message

Greetings SIA Families -

We were excited to welcome back all of our scholars this week! This week we kicked off our Fall PBIS Fundraiser. Your student should have brought on a packet with fundraising infor-

mation. I do hope that you are able to support our PBIS fund so we can continue to do great things for our students! We also had our Fall Lit Night and we were very pleased with the families that were able to attend.

Please review the newest edition of the Jaguar Pounce and let us know if you have any questions!

Best,

Mr. Spencer, Principal

Dean of Student Highlights

Focusing on Attendance

Encouraging regular school attendance is one of the most powerful ways you can prepare your child for success—both in school and in life. When you make school attendance a priority, you help your child get better grades, develop healthy life habits, avoid dangerous behavior and have a better chance of graduating from high school.

When students are absent for fewer days, their grades and reading skills often improve—even among those students who are struggling in school. Students who attend school regularly also feel more connected to their community, develop important social skills and friendships, and are significantly more likely to graduate from high school, setting them up for a strong future.

It is our goal to have above a 97% school attendance rate. If there is any way we can help out, please let us know. By working together we can achieve our goal!

Check out the video https://youtu.be/hEDQWgvJwHU)

Upcoming Events

Fall Fundraiser Kickoff

10/23/2017-Ends 11/3/2017

No school on 11/7/2017

Professional Development

All Pro Dads Family Event

11/10/17-6-7:30pm at SIA

11/13/17—Lifetouch Picture Retake Day

No school on 11/22-,23, 24th— Thanksgiving Break

Club Reminders

Chess Club—Monday 3-pm—4pm

Spell Bowl-Tues., & Wed., 2:50-4:00

Choir - Wednesday 2:50-4pm

Mentoring - Thursday 3pm—4pm

Art Club— No art club until further notice.

End of Day Transportation Changes

Please make sure to notify the office in the event your child needs to have a change in their transportation home. To endure that your child receives the information please call in by 2:00 p.m. We can't make any changes after 2:00 p.m.

All Parents must present valid ID to enter the school building.

For additional parent resources and information please visit our website www.sia.warren.k12.in.us

Stonybrook Intermediate Fall Fundraiser Kick Off!

Please help support our fundraiser! Our goal is to raise \$3000.00 for our Student Fund and PBIS! Fundraiser packets were sent home earlier this week.

Make all checks payable to: Stonybrook Intermediate Our Sale started on 10/23/17 Our sales ends on 11/3/2017

All order forms and money must be turned in by 11/3/2017

The students will be selling the following items: Candles, Snacks, Cookies, Trash bags! Contact Mrs. Montgomery at 317-532-8800 with any questions!

Boys & Girls Club

Hope everyone enjoyed their Fall Break but now it's time to get back to work! In the next few weeks we will be teaching our Enrichment lessons over social studies, art, and STEM. All our High Yield Learning activities will focus on literacy and math. One goal this quarter is to have our members facilitating our High Yield Learning activities before Winter Break. So as you can see definitely exciting things happening at club! If you have any questions or concerns please contact Alicia Sims at (317) 775-3799 or <u>asims@bgcindy.org</u>.



Sonny Day Community Center Sponsored by the Warren Township Council of PTAs Located at Highlander Park/Heather Hills <u>10502 E. 21st Street, Indianapolis, IN 46229</u>

Sonny Day helps families of Warren Township students with food, toiletries, cleaning supplies, school supplies and gently used clothing. Registration in a Warren school must be verified by an administrator or counselor. We encourage families to bring along boxes, shopping bags or laundry baskets to help carry out their items. In the case of emergencies (fire, flood, etc.) administrators may make special arrangements for families to visit.

Dates for Sonny Day Visits Saturday, November 18, 9-11AM

Your child's use of the internet

As a guidance counselor, I have noticed how important technology can be in the life of young people. This is especially true of use of social media to our students. As I converse with students I notice that a large majority of students are very active on social media and internet sites. Below are some helpful hints that you as a parent can do to keep track of what your child is doing on the internet.

- 1. Install software that blocks inappropriate sites and keeps track of browsing history. There is free software, such as Free-Shield, or software you can buy to filter out adult content sites. Make sure to use complex passwords and change them regularly.
- 2. Watch when your child is using the Internet. If they are trying to hide some thing, it is usually fairly obvious. They will minimize or close windows quickly when you walk by or be constantly looking around.
- 3. Keep up with the technology. The technology of the Internet is constantly changing, so know what there is that your child may be doing on the Internet and the risks associated with that activity.
- 4. Talk to your children and set boundaries. This can often solve any problem before it
- 5. Read more: How to Monitor Kids' Computers on a Home Network http://www.ehow.com/how 6870327 monitor-kids -computers-home-network.html

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DISTRICT INFORMATION

No School for all students 11/7/2017 Professional Development

Thanksgiving break no school 11/22, 11/25, 11/24

Get in the Game! Youth Basketball League Ransburg YMCA & MSD WARREN

WHEN: October 28-December 16 TIME: Dependent on teams schedule AGE: 4-18 years old

COST:FM \$55/PP\$70 (Financial assistance available. Price includes Jersey)LOCATION: Ages 4 -12 @ Warren Central H.S.

Warren Wrestling

2016-IHSAA State Champions & 2017 ISWA Triple Crown Winners!

Season starts Monday, 11/6/17

Register online: at

www.WarrenWrestlingAcademy. com/Registration—Flyers went home earlier this week and are also available in the school main office.

<u>Contact Information:</u> 317-371-2654 Facebook:Warren Central Wrestling Twitter@MTXEWARREN Email:WarrenWrestlingAcademy @gmail.com Stonybrook Intermediate Academy Parent/Guardian Classroom Visit Policy 2017-2018

Dear Stonybrook Intermediate Academy Families,

We recognize that from time to time our parents/guardians may want to visit their child in a given classroom or set of classrooms. We want to do our best to accommodate our families, but also protect the instructional time and safety of all of our students. As you may imagine, whenever there is a classroom visitor this could potentially be a distraction for our young scholars as well as for the teacher if they are not aware that you will be visiting. In order to ensure that your visit is as efficient and productive as possible, please read the following procedures. Please let us know if you have any questions!

Step 1: Ensure a current Criminal Background Check is on file. The request form is available from the school's main office. Please note you will need your Indiana Driver's License or State ID to complete this form. Background checks are valid for two years. Please note that to process this request may take up to two (2) business days and up to five (5) business days to inform you of the results (i.e., contents of check do or do not meet MSD of Warren Township requirements).

Step 2: Sign the Notice Regarding Relationships with Students form. This form is available (and typically on the reverse side of the Criminal Background Check form) in the school's front office as well.

Step 3: All classroom visitors must be aware of and comply with the MSD of Warren Township's Visitors' Code of Conduct policy.

Step 4: Contact Stonybrook Intermediate Academy (SIA) office and/or your students teacher(s) at least one school day prior to your requested visit to communicate the date and classes you are requesting to visit. SIA office staff will contact the teachers in question and get confirmation for a visit (within the Visitors' Code of Conduct guidelines) and confirm the visit with the visitor.

Step 5: Upon arrival to SIA, please enter Door 1 with your I.D. Please let the office associate know whose classroom(s) you have an appointment with. Once s/he verifies that you have an appointment, someone will be called to escort you up to the classroom. Your name must be listed as a guardian in our system in order for you to be permitted to go up to the classroom in addition to the above steps.

During your classroom visit, please refrain from speaking to the teacher or other students as this takes away from instructional time and can also result in disrupting the learning environment taking place. If you need to address your child and/or the teacher, please make an appointment/request to do so, or bring your child to the office for a conversation. Additionally, if you have any questions or comments please address these with the teacher later (not during the visit) or speak with an administrator.

Step 6: An acknowledgment of this policy must be signed before each visit as modifications may be required as necessary.

Again, we want to do whatever we can to partner with our families to ensure the success of our scholars! We trust that you will support us in our efforts to provide the best possible learning environment for our scholars by adhering to our classroom visit policy.

Sincerely,

Myke Spencer Principal, Stonybrook Intermediate Academy

SIA Classroom Visit Policy (1)

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