

## Mustang Minute



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### Principal's Message

Irving Families,

It's hard to believe it is already March. The third quarter is ending soon and Spring Break is around the corner. March is also when students begin taking annual state assessments. 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will take the Illinois Science Assessment this month. Third, fourth, and fifth graders will continue preparations and participate in practice sessions of the Illinois Assessment of Readiness. Testing sessions will then begin April 1. Students are assessed in English-Language Arts and Mathematics.

In late April and Early May, students in all grades will participate in end-of-year benchmarking for DIBELS (K-2 students) and MAP (3-5 students). If you have questions about any of these assessments, please contact your child's teacher.

Upcoming Events:

March 12 – Book Fair/Chili Supper

March 19 – School-wide Neon Glow Day

March 20 – ½ Day (12:05 dismissal)

March 21-29 – Spring Break

Ms. Lambert

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**Please Call the Office to Report:**

- Student absences for any reason.
- Changes in after-school plans.

**Did You Know?**

If you need to change the way your child is getting home for the day, please send a note in the morning or call the office before noon. Any changes after this cannot be guaranteed. We appreciate your understanding.

Illinois Central School Bus Company transports students to and from Irving Elementary School. If you have concerns about a late bus or a situation that has occurred on the bus, please call the bus company directly at 309-828-4373.

Breakfast times are 8:20 to 8:40 for students that walk to school and 8:40-8:55 for students that ride the bus. You can find the breakfast and lunch menus on the District 87 web page at <https://district87.nutrislice.com/menu/irving-elementary-school?mode=browse>

Just a reminder that all Irving students can eat breakfast and lunch daily for free.

**Kindergarten Pre-Registration**



**Kindergarten Pre-Registration Thursday, April 9, 2020.  
9:00-11:00a.m. 1:00-3:00p.m. 4:00-6:00p.m.  
Please call the Irving Office to schedule an appointment.  
Phone number 309-827-8091**

Please bring with you to your appointment:

1. Your Child
2. Copy of the Certified Birth Certificate (The copy that comes from the Court House.)
3. Immunization records
4. Proof of Residency

Child must be five on or before 9/1/2015  
Your child will need a current physical before the first day of school.

**PE News**



Please remember that if your student wears boots to school, he or she will still need to bring their PE shoes on their PE days. If students want to leave a pair of PE shoes in their classrooms, they can do that as well.

Mr. Graham

**Café News**



Spotlight on a Lunch Lady:  
Audra Watkins is one of our hard working lunch ladies. She has worked at Irving for over 20 years and has lived in Bloomington her whole life! She loves the Chicago Bears, the color red, and to read as much as she can! She has been married 24 years and has two grown sons! Mrs. Audra loves spending time with her four grandkids. She has three brothers and

her parents still live in Bloomington. Mrs. Audra went to Centennial grade school (which is now the junior high) and graduated Bloomington High School. Once a raider, always a raider!

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our book fair! Remember, all purchases benefit our school.

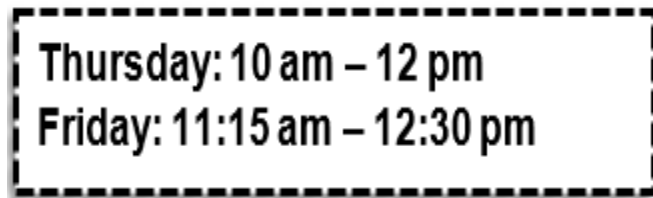
Ms. Huizinga,  
Library Media Specialist

### Library News



The book fair is coming! An amazing selection of books will be on display in the Irving Library Media Center during our school's **Reading Night and Chili Supper on Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm.**

If your family cannot attend the book fair and your child would still like to purchase books he/she may shop during school that week at the following times:

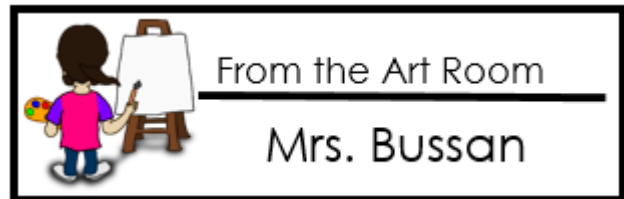


You can also help support our school by shopping online at: <http://www.scholastic.com/bf/irvingelementaryschool1>

This **online book fair starts on March 1st and ends March 14.** Online orders will now ship directly to your home. If you use the above link to shop during our book fair, **25% in rewards goes to our school.**

Purchases can be made with cash, credit card or checks made out to **Irving School.**

### From the Art Room



The D87 Fifth Grade Art Show at the Bloomington Public Library will be on display from Wednesday, March 11 to Thursday, April 9! Please come and see the amazing artwork our fifth graders from all of District 87 have been working on this year!

### Student Council



Student Council will be hosting a Spring Break Spirit Week the week of March 16. Flyers with more information with exact theme days will be coming home soon.



### Box Tops



If you have box tops please send them to school with your student. Box tops are an easy way for the school to earn extra money!

You can still donate to your favorite school once you have downloaded the app.

### Mark Your Calendars



- March 9<sup>th</sup>- Spring Pictures
- March 11-April 15<sup>th</sup>- Fifth Grade Art Show
- March 12<sup>th</sup>-Reading Night and Chili Super 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- March 19<sup>th</sup>- First Day of Spring



- March 20<sup>th</sup>-1/2 Day Attendance-Dismissal at 12:05
- March 23-27<sup>th</sup>-No School-Spring Break



- March 30<sup>th</sup>-School Resumes
- April 9<sup>th</sup>- Kindergarten Pre-Registration-by Appointment Only
- April 9<sup>th</sup>-Pro-Kids Family Night Show-6:30 p.m.
- April 10<sup>th</sup>-No School-Non-Attendance Day for Students

### PTO



PTO meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month from 6:00-7:00 pm in the teacher's workroom at Irving.

- March 11<sup>th</sup>
- April 8<sup>th</sup>
- May 13<sup>th</sup>