

# November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Dr. Intrilligator visiting Grade 5	<b>2</b> Picture Re-take day for Fall pictures  3:30 p.m. Site Council	<b>3</b> <b>Late 1 hr. arrival (9:20 am)</b> PTA Popcorn Day!	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Iowa Testing for Gr. 3-4-5</b>	<b>8</b> Grade 5 Arts Trek to the Symphony this morning	<b>9</b> <b>Iowa Testing for Gr. 3-4-5</b>  <i>PTA fundraiser cookie dough delivery 2:30-5:30 p.m. at Flora Parking VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</i>	<b>10</b> <b>Late 1 hr. arrival (9:20 am)</b>  Grade 5 Human Growth and Development class 2:00 p.m. in Multi-purpose Room	<b>11</b>  Veterans Day
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Kdg. and Grade 1 to UD for "Cat in the Hat" theater (eating before they go)	<b>14</b> <b>Iowa Testing for Gr. 3-4-5</b>  Hearing checks K-2	<b>15</b> <b>Iowa Testing for Gr. 3-4-5</b>  Last Day of Trimester 1	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Late 1 hr. arrival (9:20 am)</b>  Irving Spirit Day- NERD day!	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Check your student's Report Card on the Power School Parent Portal	<b>22</b> <b>NO SCHOOL!</b>	<b>23</b> <b>NO SCHOOL!</b>	<b>24</b> <b>NO SCHOOL!</b>	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> Grade 4 to UD for "Doctor Kaboom" theater	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>		

\*\* PTA Fundraiser Cookie Dough Delivery is **Thursday, November 9 from 2:30-5:30 p.m.** Entry is down the hill (west) of Irving into the lower Big Red Barn driveway, and then across Flora's parking lots to the cookie pick up area. Exit is then out Green Street. Thank YOU parents for participating in our school fundraiser this year, and to our AWESOME PTA for all of their help and support with the fundraiser efforts.



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**Iowa Testing Program Assessment:** Parents please help support your 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grader for our two ITP testing weeks this November. A good night's sleep and a nourishing breakfast is essential for good test taking. **ITP dates are the entire mornings of November 7, 9, 14, and 15.**

**Morning Drop-off Student Loop:** Please pull your car all the way into the loop where the staff are working and pull your car as far ahead as possible. This way we can unload 4 cars at one time, and get the traffic off of Pennsylvania/ McPoland more quickly. After the 8:25 a.m. entry bell, all students need to enter through the front door by the office, so they will not go to the back blacktop area after 8:25 a.m.

**Visiting Irving:** Any parents or visitors who come to Irving must stop in the main office. Please respect the important work we do in teaching your children. To do this, we cannot have unannounced interruptions while we are teaching. Teachers are in meetings before school and cannot always meet with a parent who shows up unexpectedly. If you need to talk with a teacher, the office will ask you if you have an appointment. If you have no appointment, we will phone the teacher and see if they can come down to meet with you in the main entrance.

**Health Curriculum:** As you learned at Orientation Day, we have health education curriculum to continue providing age-appropriate, research-based instruction in health, human growth and development, and human sexuality.

- November—Your Body/Growth and Development/Human Sexuality  
This month's health topic focuses on children learning the stages of growth and the importance of healthful habits throughout life. Children also learn appropriate terminology and functions of their bodies.
- December—Nutrition  
This month's health topic focuses on helpful eating habits. Children will learn about MyPlate and planning healthful meals and snacks.

**FLU Season is coming:** Dubuque Schools will start the implementation of not returning to school until free from fever (greater than or equal to 100 F), diarrhea or vomiting without the use of medications for 24 hours to help reduce the spread of germs that cause diarrhea, colds and influenza. In addition, we will be reminding staff and students of the importance of good handwashing. Handwashing is like a "do-it-yourself" vaccine- it involves five simple effective steps (Wet, Lather, Scrub, Rinse, Dry) you can take to reduce the spread of diarrhea and respiratory illness. Regular handwashing, particularly before and after certain activities, is one of the best ways to remove germs, avoid getting sick, and prevent the spread of germs to others. It's quick, it's simple, and it can keep us all from getting sick!

There is NO SCHOOL November 22, 23, 24. Winter Break this year begins December 25 and students return Wednesday, January 3.