

This month @ Indian Woods Elementary

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For the month of **October, 2015**

Upcoming events at Indian Woods:

Oct. 6 – Picture Day

Oct. 7- Count Day

Oct. 12, 6:00-7:00 pm – PTA

Oct. 29 – Popcorn Thursday

Community Engagement Meeting 6:00 PHN

Oct.30 – ½ day, 11:48 dismissal

For the complete calendar: <http://indianwoods.phasd.us/calendar>

PTA – Please join us on the second Monday of the month. Meetings are at 6pm in the Media Center. Free childcare is provided. **Second Cup** will be provided at 8:30 the Tuesday morning after PTA meetings for those unable to attend Monday nights. Bring your 2nd cup of coffee and relax and chat with PTA officers and Mrs. Rogers.

Our Spirit Wear sale has been extended. Free shipping is now being offered through October 5th. This is the only apparel sale we will be having this year. Click [here](#) for a link to the Spirit Wear order form. Use code IW915 for free shipping.

Student Council –

Student Council 1st and 2nd semester representatives have been elected for 1st-5th grade classrooms.

They raised \$389.16 for the Community Roof Sit and planted flowers in the front and in the butterfly garden in September.

Student Council will be holding a UM/MSU football sale & contest on Friday, Oct. 16th. Click [here](#) for more information.



Drills –

For the safety of our students several drills will be conducted in October. Our fall lockdown drill will be held on the 20th, at 9:30am. Please be advised, you will not be able to enter the building for about 10 minutes as we review procedures with the students. Thank you!

Parent Pick-up –

Please help us with 1st – 5th grade pick up and drop off by not parking on the gym play-pad or exiting your car in the line. Parking is available in the west lot if you need to come into the building. Thank you for helping to keep our students safe!

Halloween –

Indian Woods will be holding our annual costume parade the morning of October 30th. This is a half-day of school and teachers will be having Halloween related lessons and activities that day. Click [here](#) for information on attending the parade and volunteering in the classrooms.

Blue Monday –

Indian Woods will be participating in anti-bullying awareness on Monday, October 5th by wearing blue. Students will be encouraged to wear blue to be entered into prize drawings, and will hear messages of kindness in preparation for our 2015-16 Rachel's challenge kick-off.

Picture Day –

Indian Woods' fall picture day is Tuesday, October 6. Click [here](#) for more information and to order pictures online.

Count Day –

Indian Woods is the recipient of a generous donation from Hungry Howie's Pizza. All students will receive a certificate for a free junior pizza on Wednesday, October 7, our official count day. Thank you to parents for helping your children learn good attendance habits, to PTA for their work in securing the certificates, and to Hungry Howie's for this generous donation!

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) –

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a Federal law, requires that the Port Huron Area School District, affords students and their parents certain rights with respect to their educational records, including the District's directory information. This includes:

- Name, address and telephone number
- Dates of school attendance
- Other information such as honor roll, yearbook, etc.
- Date and place of birth
- School Activities
- Program of study
- Honors and awards

The District has a responsibility to disclose such information upon appropriate request. However, parents can ask that directory information on their son(s) and or daughters(s) be withheld from public release. To do so, a letter must be sent to the building principal asking that such directory information not be given out. When students reach 18 years of age, the law transfers this right to them.

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