

## You're Invited!

The Board of Education of Indian Lake Local Schools usually meets the third Monday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Board Room. You are invited to attend these meetings. Their schedule can be viewed at [www.ils-k12.org](http://www.ils-k12.org) under the Board of Education Home tab.

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## All School Calendar

Nov. 25, 26, 27.....Thanksgiving Break  
Dec. 1.....ILHS Choir Concert  
Dec. 8.....ILMS Choir Concert  
Dec. 18.....2-Hour Early Release  
End of 2nd Quarter  
Dec. 21-Jan 1.....Holiday Break  
Jan. 15.....Staff PD Day  
No School for Students)  
Jan. 18.....Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
(No School)  
Feb. 15.....Presidents' Day  
(No School)  
Feb. 17.....2-Hour Delay Day



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## IL Ticket Sales Event Information

Attention Lakers!! All Central Buckeye Conference (CBC) schools are now using Hometown Ticketing to sell tickets to their sporting events. For your convenience, the CBC website at <http://www.cbcsportsonline.com> (tab Ticket Box Office) now has links to every district's Box Office. You may purchase tickets to your student-athlete's event as early as three days prior to the contest. You will use your child's student ID code (lunch code) as the code to unlock tickets for all home and away CBC contests.

**For our spectators, please remember:**

- Symptom check before you come to an event
- Social distance while you are on campus
- Wear your mask while on campus
- Facility seating will be clearly marked for social distancing. Immediate family members may sit in a family group. All other spectators must follow social distancing guidelines in the stands.
- Enter and exit the facilities without congregating.

## ILHS Girls Cross Country Wins CBC Title!



Congratulations to the Indian Lake High School Girls Cross Country Team for capturing its first CBC Title since 2002! In addition, the team placed 4th at Districts and moved on to the Regional Meet, where they finished in 10th place. IL First Team CBC selections were Ella Wagner, Elayna Richardson and KaiLea Miller. Deborah Wells, Hannah Metzger, Chloe Sparks and Carlie Nickel earned Second Team CBC and Erika Wells was named Special Mention. The team is coached by Justin Metzger and Kristen Glink.



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*Above: ILHS Art Club students Madisyn Roach and Elizabeth Braun show off the clay Christmas ornaments they recently created. ILHS Art Club is part of Careers@ILS. Learn more about this 21st Century Grant awarded to Indian Lake Schools on Page 2.*



Dear Indian Lake Community,

I am so pleased to report good things to you as we approach Thanksgiving Break. First of all, we are still educating our students in person at school. We know that having the students in the buildings is the most effective way

to learn. In addition, it is important that we offer them every opportunity to participate in extracurriculars, like music and sporting events and after-school programs such as Careers@ILS. (see Page 2)

I am very proud of our staff members for thinking outside the box to continue to offer every program possible in the face of the Covid-19 health crisis. I am also thankful for a community that has been so patient with us as we navigate through capacity limits in our gyms and auditorium, online ticketing for events and other unforeseen obstacles. Finally, I am extremely proud of our students for adjusting and adapting during this pandemic. Wearing masks all day and social distancing from friends is difficult, but our IL students at all grade levels have risen to the challenge.

During these first few months of school, we have started introducing The Lake Effect and R-Factor concepts to the students and our community. Please read more about these efforts on Page 3 and on our website at [http://www.ils-k12.org/the\\_lake\\_effect](http://www.ils-k12.org/the_lake_effect). I hope that you and your family have a wonderful holiday season and a great start to 2021!

Sincerely,  
Rob Underwood  
Superintendent

## Free Lunches for 2020-21 School Year

Because of a program funded through the USDA, all students, regardless of their family income level, will receive free lunch and breakfast at school through the remainder of the 2020-21 school year. Students will pay for any extra items beyond a standard meal. There is no paperwork for families to complete to receive these free meals. **However, if a student would normally qualify for free or reduced lunch, it is vitally important that parents complete online forms as soon as possible. Failure to complete the forms negatively impacts school funding. Online forms can be completed at <https://indianlake.esvportal.com>**



Above: ILMS Garden Club members assembly a garden box at the beginning of the first session.

## Careers@ILS Offers More in Year Two

The second year of Careers@ILS is even bigger and better for students in middle and high school at Indian Lake. The multi-faceted, after-school program was the focus of Indian Lake's November Board of Education meeting. Careers@ILS began year two in October at ILHS and ILMS and will continue the rest of the school year. Activities are funded by a competitive five-year 21st Century federal grant worth \$850,000 awarded to Indian Lake Schools in 2019.

ILMS math teacher Eric Finke is serving as the site coordinator at ILMS. He says, "The main goal of the program is to get kids involved," Finke says. "We try to reach out to those students who aren't in athletics or music and get them to enjoy learning in a different and new way."

Finke says more than 70 ILMS students are consistently attending the wide variety of programs offered on Monday and Wednesday after school this fall. The programs include Computer Club, Computer Apps, Garden Club, Math Investigations, Language Arts Workshop, Science Investigations, Book Club, Fitness Club and more.

Students will be surveyed at the end of the first session to determine what other programs might attract even more interest for the second session beginning in January. Meantime at ILHS, science educator and site coordinator Matt Steinbarger says on any given day approximately 50 students are attending programs offered after school Monday through Friday. New programs like Book Club and old favorites like Judo Club and Improv Club (now offered under the Careers@ILS umbrella) are bringing in big groups. The Yoga Club and E-sports have a solid foundation of followers, as well as the Welding, Art, Robotics, ACT Prep and Science Clubs.



Steinbarger says his focus at this time is attracting students who could use tutoring to catch up on work or gain an advantage with grades. Steinbargers says, "I'm working on getting the Journalism students to create a video to spread the word about the benefits of academic tutoring. In addition, I'm adding science to the list of subjects available for tutoring."



The grant provides snacks for students staying after school and bus transportation home, if needed. In addition, grant money has recently been used to purchase related equipment including additional welders, Judo mats, garden boxes, a 3-D printer and other technology used in several clubs. Finally, ILHS educators Mr. Snapp, Mr. Stanford and Principal Wagner are working with the Welding Club on the early stages of designing the boardwalk that will stretch into and allow for further study of the wetlands at Indian Lake Elementary School. Careers@ILS is the second 21st Century Grant of its kind to be awarded to the Indian Lake School district. From the years 2015 to 2017 Indian Lake High School operated a similar program on a more limited basis. Students may sign up for Careers@ILS programs in the school office.

Left: Computer Club member Emily Holbrook rebuilds a computer.

Above: Mr. Steinbarger works with senior Raelyn Parsell on a Physics assignment.

Below: Yoga Club meets in the ILHS Courtyard.

Right: 7th graders Jack Cooper and Daric Barth show off their Lake Effect t-shirts.



Above: Students in Holly Powers' class hold up their books purchased through an LCEF grant.

## The Lake Effect in Action

Second grade teacher Holly Powers recently received a small Logan County Education Foundation grant to purchase a series of new books that will help foster Social Emotional Learning (SEL). The titles tie into our school's initiative E + R = O and how our responses to certain events equal a particular outcome.

Over the past year, the administration and staff at Indian Lake Schools have been training in life lessons called the R-Factor, made famous by creator Tim Kight and featured in former Ohio State Football Coach Urban Meyer's book Above the Line. Superintendent Rob Underwood explains the R-Factor is the foundation of the district's overall plan to incorporate social-emotional learning (SEL), along with positive behavior incentives and supports (PBIS) to graduate responsible, resilient and respectful young adults. That plan is known as The Lake Effect. Several local businesses, led by Osgood Bank, are supporting The Lake Effect by sponsoring t-shirts for every student and staff member in the district. The final t-shirt design was based off of the submission by senior graphic design student Kayli Tussing. (see below) Students in all grade levels are already receiving short R-Factor lessons regularly and teachers are incorporating The Lake Effect language and beliefs into the daily routine. Many of the insights are being shared with followers and community members weekly on Indian Lake social media and the district's website at [ils-k12.org](http://ils-k12.org). Finally, the ILHS Journalism students are creating a series of videos to inform and excite the district's younger students about R-Factor and The Lake Effect.

