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**Falcon Flyer**  
**March 19, 2021**

Well the rain slowed us down a bit, but playgrounds are now reopened. After reviewing playground rules and ways to play safe, our Falcons have had a lot of fun this week on the playground. As a reminder to all families, students may not play on the equipment before or after school. Please help us keep students safe by reminding them of these rules.

Also, just a reminder, the deadline to complete the intent to return is **Monday, March 22**. Please click on this link: [Intent to Return](#) and it will direct you to the Aeries Parent Portal. From here, please log in and it will send you directly to the Intent to Return form. Once on the Intent to Return screen, click on the “+Add” button on the right hand side and this is where you will respond to only a few questions. If you need additional “how to” assistance in this process, please [click here](#).

Once we have determined the final structure for in-person education and prior to the start of the school year, we will provide an opportunity for you to adjust your model selection, if needed. This initial step is vital for our planning and we thank you for completing this necessary step.

**Dates to Remember:**

**March 19:** Report Cards released on the parent portal (traditional/hybrid)

**Monday-Friday, March 22-26:** Minimum days for **traditional students only** grades 1-6 for optional spring conference week

**March 29-April 2:** Spring Break

**April 8:** Spring new student and make-up photo day

## April 14: Sami's Circuit Virtual Family Night

### Announcements:

- **Register for after school classes:** IPSF is excited to offer over 100 fun and interactive online classes for students in grades 1-12 afterschool. IPSF has also added new advanced sections to some of our most popular classes so your student can take their skills to the next level. Register at [www.ipsf.net/afterschool](http://www.ipsf.net/afterschool).
- **Let's Honor our Education Heroes:** Please support the [Parents Appreciating Teachers and Staff \(PATS\)](#) program by making a donation to honor the educators who are making a big impact in your student's life. Each honoree will receive a certificate of recognition with your personal message of appreciation. All donations support IPSF's [Innovative Grants Program](#), which provides our school educators with the opportunity to bring new curriculum and projects to our school to enhance the educational experience of our students. Learn more at [www.ipsf.net/pats](http://www.ipsf.net/pats)
- **IPSF Awards Over \$200,000 in Grants:** These grants support innovative teaching methods in schools through the [Innovative Grants Program](#). The 25 projects selected include innovation labs, robotics technology, media equipment, literacy app, virtual reality, and musical instruments. Click below to watch the video awards announcement. Congratulations to all the recipients, and thank you for keeping our schools centers of innovation!  
<https://ipsf.net/news/ipsf-awards-2021-innovative-grants/>
- **IPSF Summer Programs:** IPSF will be offering both in-person and online classes beginning in June for grades K-12. With hundreds of classes to choose from, your student is guaranteed to have a blast no matter where their interest lies. Registration will open on **April 12**. Learn more: <https://ipsf.net/what-we-do/summer/>. *Scholarships are available for all IPSF programs to families demonstrating financial*

need. For more information and to apply, please visit [ipsf.net/acescholarship](https://ipsf.net/acescholarship).

### Reminders:

- **Vision and Hearing Screening:** Please see the attached flier for vision and hearing screenings available. [After Hours Screening Flyer 3-11-2021.pdf](#)
- **Spring and Summer Recreation Activities Newsletter for IUSD:** The City of Irvine's [recreation activities newsletter for IUSD](#), is now available online. To learn more, including how programs have been modified for COVID health and safety guidelines, [click here](#). To sign your student(s) up for programs, visit [yourirvine.org](https://yourirvine.org). For questions, call 949-724-6600 or email [yourirvine@cityofirvine.org](mailto:yourirvine@cityofirvine.org).
- **2021 Young Masters Virtual Art Show for Hybrid and IVA students:** One student from each TK-6th grade class will have their artwork on display virtually. Please select a work of art that you created from one of the IUSD Art Lessons found in the [Google Slideshows](#). Please email your artwork entry to your student's teacher by **March 24**.
- **Operation School Bell:** Click [here](#) by **April 3** to apply to the Assistance League of Irvine's free, confidential clothing service for students in need. Please contact Christine Saucedo at (949) 936-5653 with any questions.

### PTA Announcements:

**Join the fun! Virtual Family STEM Night, RSVP Required by March 26th:** Build a "Super Tower" or design a "Space Lander". Sign up for one project or both! Each session includes a STEM Kit and 75-minute lesson led by a Child Creativity Lab instructor. Cost is \$10 per child, per project. Sessions will be held April 28th and 29th. [Learn more, see pictures, and RSVP HERE](#). *All you need to provide is your name, email, student name and project choice!*

**Yearbook UPDATE - Did you know for every yearbook sold, a tree is planted?** So far, we've planted 139 trees. Let's keep going, Falcons!

- To purchase a yearbook, student shout outs, and create FREE custom pages, click [HERE](#).
- Submit all collected photos to [dfptayearbook@gmail.com](mailto:dfptayearbook@gmail.com). **We especially need class pictures for: Nenadov, Farajian, Blust, Hubbard, Loomis, and Larson.**

**PTA Shout Outs** - Thank you to **Steve Knollmiller** for organizing our fun ART NIGHT last night and to all 80+ families that participated. Check out the blind self portraits on [Instagram](#) and share yours with us [HERE](#).

For the latest school and PTA updates, follow us on [Instagram](#) and our [PTA Website](#)