



DEERFIELD

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Falcon Flyer October 8, 2021

Thank you to all the families who attended conferences this week. These meetings are a great time for teachers and parents to review academic progress and discuss goals for the year. It's also a great time to make connections with our students and families. If you were not able to connect with your child's teacher, please be sure to reach out to them soon.

Thank you for understanding when we had to make the difficult decision to reschedule the carnival. We hope to see everyone next Friday, October 15. If you were already signed up to attend, there is nothing you need to do but show up for some fun.

On another note, we have had a large number of lost and found items. Please remember to label everything! Water bottles, lunch boxes, jackets and sweaters are left at the lunch tables and on the playground daily. Please be sure to write your child's name on these items. We will do our best to return items with names on them. Our lost and found cart is outside of the cafeteria every day. Be sure to check there if you are missing any items.

Upcoming Dates to Remember:

- October 11: No School – Staff Development Day
- October 14: Fall Picture Day (please see information below)
- October 15: PTA Fall Carnival (rescheduled)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

School Photos: Thursday, Oct. 14 is fall picture day. Your student will receive an order form one week after photo day with a unique ID and instructions for online ordering. Several packages are available including a la carte options. No money is collected in advance. Students will wear masks until they are in front of the camera. See Sumner's website for more information and click here for quick photo day tips. Sumner Photography can be reached at 800-440-2002. Halloween: If you are planning ahead, students will have the opportunity to wear costumes, Halloween shirts or colors on Friday, October 29. Costumes will need to be appropriate for school. More detailed information will be sent home next week.

GATE in IUSD: Interested in learning more about gifted and advanced learning in IUSD? Please see the attached flier for district offerings. All parents are welcome. GATE Information in IUSD.

Junior Dance Club: The Irvine High School Dance Ensemble is hosting a Jr. Dance Club for all K – 8th grade students. Classes will meet Mondays 4-5 p.m. in the IHS Dance Room. For more information or to sign up please see the flyer. Jr. Flyer 2021.pdf

Helmets and motorized scooters: There has been a significant increase in the number of underage riders on motorized scooters, as well as students riding bicycles and scooters without helmets. Please know that it is unlawful to ride a motorized scooter without a permit or driver's license issued by the DMV. The Irvine Police department has begun the enforcement of helmet violations in and around schools so violators will be cited and referred to a bicycle safety class if found in violation. For more information, please click here. motorized scooter document.pdf

Enrichment Day: Come spend the Veteran's Day holiday with IPSF at Enrichment Day! IUSD students in grades 2-8 are invited to join us Thursday, Nov. 11 for a fun-filled morning of engaging and exciting classes. Choose from a variety of subjects including LEGO engineering, cooking, movie making, comedy, ukulele and much more. Registration is now open! Please register here.

REMINDERS:

Turn Irvine Orange on Oct. 21: Wear orange Thursday, Oct. 21 on IPSF Giving Day to show you value educational excellence in Irvine. Whether you are at school, work, or out in the community, rock your ORANGE to raise awareness about the importance of community support of public education! Click here for more information.

School Parking: We kindly ask that parents not park in Deerfield or Venado's parking lots for arrival or dismissal. There is also no parking allowed on the service road which is a fire lane. If you wish to walk your child on campus, please park in the neighborhood and cross at the crosswalk. Handicapped parking spots are always available to individuals with valid credentials.

Traffic Safety: The Irvine Police Department, in partnership with IUSD and the PTA, has created a traffic safety video with important tips for pedestrians, bicyclists and drivers in and around school zones, driveways and crosswalks. When it comes to the safety of our students on the roadways, we're in this together! Let's get our students to and from school safely.

IPSF Parent Ambassador: Deerfield is looking for a parent volunteer interested in serving as the school's ambassador for IPSF (Irvine Public Schools Foundation). The parent ambassador would work with our PTA to support IPSF after school offerings. Please contact Sandy in the front office for more information if you are interested.

Health and Safety: Deerfield, along with all of the IUSD, will follow the guidelines for schools provided by local and federal health agencies. For up-to-date district information, visit <https://iusd.org/covid-19-resource-page>.

School Lunch: Menus are always available on the IUSD website here.

PTA ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Carnival Postponed to NEXT FRIDAY 10/15 from 4:30-7:30pm! Thank you all for your understanding. A few key reminders - please check in to receive your wristbands at the handball courts behind the school on the black top area. Day of the event is cash only for wristbands and drinks but most food trucks accept cash and credit card. See you there!

Volunteer at the Carnival - We still have a few open spots! See 1-hour shift opportunities [HERE](#). Thank you! Alone we can do so little, but together we can do so much!

Reflections Art Entries Due 10/20! Less than 2 weeks away until entries are due! Over 80 students participated in years past. Prizes and awards will be given out. Learn more about the program [HERE](#)

Chipotle Dine Out (or take out) fundraiser Oct. 20th 5-9PM (by Target on Barranca). Just show the flyer (coming home soon) or tell them you're supporting Deerfield that night.

Spirit Wear Update: The second shipment is still expected to arrive next week and will be distributed to classrooms as quickly as possible.