



INDIAN TRAIL HIGH SCHOOL AND ACADEMY

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SUMMER NEWSLETTER - AUGUST 1, 2026

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...

Greetings Hawk Families! As August begins, we are finalizing preparations for the 2026-2027 school year. This summer, my staff and I have carefully reviewed student data, academic structures, and feedback from our community. These insights have guided us in refining our School Improvement Plan and strengthening our academic support resources. While we are enjoying these final weeks of summer, we are eager to welcome our students and families back.

Please review the important information below as you prepare for the new school year. We have kept these updates concise, but please reach out if you have any questions.

IMPORTANT AUGUST NOTES:

- **Still need to register your child for school?** Registration is 100% online via the parent portal, unless you are making a change to your address. If that is the case, you will need to provide appropriate proof of residence paperwork to our guidance office. Please register and pay fees online today if you have not already done so. You can find KUSD registration information here: <https://www.kusd.edu/registration/>
- **Interested in athletics?** If your student is interested in playing a fall sport, there is still time to sign up. *NOTE: students must have a physical and other forms completed before practice can begin.*
 - Follow this link for more information on our athletic program: [Indian Trail Athletics](#)

- **Picture Days/Activity Fair:** School pictures will be held in the Commons on August 11th (8 am–3 pm) and August 12th (10:30 am–6 pm) for all students. Seniors will also have their yearbook photos taken (graduation gowns provided). During these times, students may sign up for clubs, purchase class shirts, and pick up school computers (incoming 9th graders and Communications Academy 11th/12th graders). Students who do not attend the August picture days will not receive their school IDs until late September or October. Please review the notes below if you are unable to attend.
 - Picture Retake Day: (Grades 9-11): Wednesday, September 9 during the school day.
 - Picture Retake Day: (Grade 12): Wednesday, October 7 and Thursday, October 8. Gowns will be provided for all seniors on site.
- **Student Schedules** are set to release on Tuesday, August 18th (specific time of the day will depend on system readiness). Students will be able to view their schedules on Infinite Campus using their student login information. Any questions regarding student schedules should be directed to their assigned counselor which should be listed on the schedule. Our counselors will be receiving a very high volume of communication once schedules are released, but they will respond to all communications as soon as possible. Thank you in advance for being patient.
- **Freshman and Family Information Night::** We value our families and want you to be informed about everything our school has to offer. If you have an incoming 9th grade student, please join us for an informational meeting about Indian Trail High School and Academy:

9th Grade Student AND Family Information Night

Wednesday, August 12, 2026

Indian Trail High School Auditorium

The program begins at 6 p.m.

AUDIENCE: 9th Grade Student and Families (parent or guardian MUST attend with 9th grade student)

*NOTE: This program is designed to welcome our incoming 9th grade students and families with our goal of providing lots of information about Indian Trail, what to expect during the upcoming school year, and help with a smooth transition to high school. **Students must come with a parent or guardian for this event.** There will be an orientation for students only on Friday, August 21st at 2:30 p.m. that will focus specifically on interactive activities to build relationships, walk through student schedules, and more. See below for more details.*

9th Grade STUDENT Orientation
Friday, August 21, 2026
Indian Trail High School Fieldhouse
The program begins at 2:30 p.m.
Audience: 9th grade students only

Description: 9th grade students will work directly with our Link Crew team made up of student leaders in grade 11 and 12 who demonstrated a passion for helping our students transition to high school. Staff members who advise this group will also be present. Incoming 9th graders will engage in relationship building activities, review their personal schedules, walk through the school to understand where their classrooms are located and more. Following this orientation, the following activities will also be available to incoming 9th grade students:

- **9th Grade Student Tailgate:** Just outside of the main entrance to Indian Trail, we have a grass soccer field known as “The Pit”. We will be having a “meet and greet” with snacks for students to get to know each other better and engage in some fun activities. 9th grade students in attendance for this activity will receive admission into the first football game for FREE. See next bullet point for game information.
- **Home Varsity Football Game:** Hawks vs. Westosha Central at 6 p.m. KUSD does not allow students to bring bags into the football games and plans on using our Weapons Detection Systems (Metal Detectors) for all home football games. Please remind your student to leave any unnecessary items at home to ensure a quick and easy entry into the game.
- **Chromebooks and Computers:** If you have a student entering 9th grade, they will be issued a Chromebook for school use. Students are responsible for taking care of this school computer and will need to turn it back in when they are done with high school or leave KUSDI. Chromebooks will be available for pickup during picture day, as well as during Freshmen Orientation for incoming 9th grade students. **NOTE: Communication Academy 11th and 12th grade students may pick up their laptops during picture day.**

There are a few important changes for students and families to be aware of for the 2026-2027 school year. Here is a link to that newsletter in case you were not able to read it before [Parent Newsletter - July 2026](#). Our newsletters can always be found on our [Indian Trail Website](#), as well.

We are all looking forward to what we hope will be a great school year! If you have any questions or concerns about any aspect of our school, please do not hesitate to contact us. Listed below are a few other ***important dates*** to be aware of for August and September..

Have a great day and as always, GO HAWKS!

Scott Kennow

Indian Trail High School and Academy Principal

IMPORTANT DATES!

- **Tuesday, August 11**
 - Picture Day #1: 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. (Indian Trail Commons)--see update above
- **Wednesday, August 12**
 - Picture Day #2: 10:30 a.m. - 6 p.m. (Indian Trail Commons)--see update above
- **Wednesday, August 12**
 - **FRESHMAN STUDENT AND FAMILY INFORMATION NIGHT--6 p.m.**
 - See information above for more details about this event.
 - A Parent/Guardian must attend with 9th grade students attending. See below for information about student orientation for only students. Both events are highly recommended, especially if this is your first student at Indian Trail.
- **Tuesday, August 18: Student Schedules Released!**
 - Student schedules will be accessible through Infinite Campus. The specific time of release depends on system readiness. See information above for more details.
- **Friday, August 21: Freshman Orientation**
 - This event is designed for students only, so parents/guardians should drop students off in time for students to be in the Fieldhouse at 2:30 p.m.
 - Following this orientation, there is a Freshmen Tailgate Event at 4:30 p.m. and Varsity Football Game at 6 p.m.
 - See the information above for more specific details.
- **Tuesday, September 1: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**
 - **9th grade students** report at 7:20 a.m. (Activities will take place to help 9th graders get acclimated to their schedules and the school in general)

- **10th, 11th, and 12th grade students** report at 9:40 a.m. for a 9:55 a.m. start.
- See the bell schedule [HERE](#)
- **Monday, September 7: NO SCHOOL–Labor Day**
- **September 26: All school assembly: No Hate Tour BMX Bike Presentation**
- **September 18-October 3 : **HOMEcomings WEEK!!!****
 - NOTE:** Many activities will be planned for this week, so stay tuned for more information. However, here are a few highlights to be thinking of:
 - Students must meet expectations for attendance and behavior during the month of September and first two days of October to be eligible to attend the Homecoming Dance. These expectations are listed on the permission slip (electronic) which will be available to Indian Trail students prior to the first day of school. Parent permission is always required.
 - Thursday, October 1: Pep Assembly (morning)
Powderpuff Football Game–6 p.m.
 - Friday, October 2: NO SCHOOL: Professional Learning Day
Homecoming Parade starting at approximately 5pm
Varsity Football Game -6 pm vs. Milwaukee Rufus King HS
 - Saturday, October 3: Homecoming Dance-Indian Trail Commons- 6 p.m.
Note: Permission Slips are required in advance. Tickets will be on sale during the month of September during lunches. Watch for announcements on this.

Important Links to Add to Your Bookmarks

KUSD: www.kusd.edu
 Indian Trail High School & Academy: www.kusd.edu/indiantrail
 ITHSA Athletics: www.indiantrailhawks.com
[ITHSA Events Calendar](#)
[Infinite Campus Portal](#)

Pre-Arranged Absence Form: [English](#) / [Spanish](#)
 Medication Authorization Form: [English](#) / [Spanish](#)

[2026 - 2027 Daily Bell Schedule](#)