

2018 Curriculum Nights

Wednesday, August 29	6:00PM-7:00PM	Encore Curriculum Night
Wednesday, August 29	7:00PM-8:00PM	6 th Grade – Core Curriculum Night (Core Teams/Subjects)
Wednesday, September 5	6:00PM-7:00PM	8th Grade - Core Curriculum Night (Core Teams/Subjects)
Wednesday, September 5	7:15PM-8:15PM	7th Grade - Core Curriculum Night (Core Teams/Subjects)

Please plan on carpooling to curriculum nights. Parking is always limited.

Encore Curriculum Night will occur on Wednesday, August 29, from 6:00-7:00 PM. This event will cover the following subject areas: Art, Computers, Family and Consumer Science, Foreign Language, Health, Technology and Engineering, Project Lead the Way, Music, and Physical Education. Parents of students from grades 6, 7, and 8 are invited to attend. More information will be distributed at the beginning of the school year. The Encore Curriculum Night is run in an open house format. Students will give their parents a template with their encore classes listed so parents will know which teachers to visit.

Magazine and Cookie Dough Sale

The kickoff for Crone's annual magazine sale will occur on September 10. Cookie dough will again be included in the fundraiser. This district-wide fundraiser is the only middle school fundraiser that directly benefits all the students of Crone Middle School. In the past, funds from this event have been used to send students on curricular field trips, fund author visits, provide student incentives, and enrich classrooms with additional resources.

7th-8th Grade Athletic Participation

Grade 7 & 8 students who plan to try out for an interscholastic sport in the fall must have a current physical on file with the nurse. Physicals are good for 395 days only. Students without current physicals will not be allowed to try out or participate. Please plan ahead as fall sports begin right at the start of the school year. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Jeffries, the school nurse.

Late Start Information

Once again for the 2018-2019 school year, District 204 is adjusting the starting time for students on Wednesday mornings. This will provide an opportunity for school-wide professional development opportunities for our teachers. This set block of time for teachers to work collaboratively on improving student learning will occur each Wednesday before school. The start of the school day will be adjusted slightly as follows on Wednesday mornings to accommodate this program:

On Wednesdays, middle school students will attend school from 8:20 AM-3:00 PM. Morning bus schedules will be adjusted on Wednesdays by approximately 20 minutes. If you bring your child to school, please assist us in honoring this time for staff by adjusting your drop off by 15-20 minutes.

For your information, the regular and Wednesday bell schedules are attached. Please note students cannot access the building until the following times unless they are participating in a school-sponsored endeavor with supervision by a staff member.

Building access times for students: M,T,TH,F - 7:35 AM /Wed. - 7:55 AM

Student Lunch Program

Our food service operation is located in the cafeteria. Students may purchase a variety of hot and cold entrée menu choices. Salads, fruit, snacks and beverage items round out the nutritious and popular menu. Again this year, Crone will have a debit card system by way of the student ID. This system will give students and parents the opportunity to pay for their meals in advance. Making a payment in the school lunch line or online using a credit or debit card can complete advanced payment. Payment options in Push Coin: payment with Visa and MasterCard; a one-time bank withdrawal; or regularly scheduled monthly withdrawals. This is strictly an option, cash or check payment can still be made at school.

The District participates in a federally funded program to supply free lunches and free milk to students of families whose gross income qualifies them for such assistance. Parents may apply at any time during the school year. The guideline letter and application is available on line or by request in the school office.

For more information on the school lunch program, please visit the District 204 Website at www.ipsd.org and go to the bottom of the page where you can click on the link called "School Lunch Program".

District 204 Internet Policy

Indian Prairie School District 204 uses an opt-out policy from Internet activities. Parents no longer sign permission forms. Parents who want to exclude their children from Internet access should have marked this box when they updated the demographic form in the Home Access System. If you have a question, please contact our main office.

Important Notice from the District Office

Public Acts 91-0099 and 91-0525 require Integrated Pest Management (IPM) for all Illinois public schools. IPM is a method for managing pest damage with the least possible hazard to people, property and the environment. This method for managing pests includes the careful use of pesticides; i.e. insecticides, herbicides, rodenticides and fungicides. IPM also requires that parents or guardians have prior notice of pesticide applications. In order to provide timely information to parents or guardians who would like to be notified about pesticide applications, every School District #204 building develops a yearly registry. Forms are available at each school office.

Crone Website

The Crone Website is maintained with current information. The Crone calendar, specific information about Crone and the latest events are updated there. Please visit us at: <http://crone.ipisd.org/>.

Crone Middle School Listserv

The Crone Listserv and the District-Wide News are excellent ways of communicating important information between the school, district and parents. We are asking our parents/guardians to assist us in getting as close to 100% participation as possible. Signing up for District-Wide E-News is simple. Go to the 204 District website www.ipisd.org. Once you are on that website select the "Subscribe to Email News" option. Simply follow the directions on this page.

All parents will automatically get the Crone Listserv as part of our Connect-Ed notification system.

Drop Off Procedures

Please follow the signs and follow the rules established to keep our students safe. ALL students must be dropped off at the curb. Please plan accordingly as the drop will move slower the first few days until everyone gets the hang of it. Please practice patience, kindness and be good role models for our students.

Transportation News



Bus route information will be posted in the Home Access Center the week of August 13th. This will include bus stop locations as well as arrival times. Information regarding students walking to Crone will also be available on our school website. Any safety concerns regarding transportation should be directed to Joseph Sweeney at Crone Middle School. You may choose to contact me via email at joseph_sweeney@ipisd.org or through my direct line at (630)428-6227.

All route change requests **must be submitted online** where they will be reviewed by our administration. Once school begins, route changes will not be made until after the third week of school unless a situation relates directly to student safety.

All middle school students will be required to present their ID upon boarding their designated buses. This will assist with student safety and ensure that our routes are managed in an efficient manner. All student IDs will be labeled with route numbers and will be required for purchasing lunches in the cafeteria and checking out materials from our LMC. Students that misplace their IDs will be required to purchase a new one from the Guidance Department.

Accessing Bus/Walk Routes

Go to <http://crone.ipisd.org/> and click on **Transportation/Bus Routes** located at the bottom center of the homepage. Students that walk to school should click on **Naperville School Walk Routes** to identify the safest path to Crone Middle School

Allergy Policy

It is Indian Prairie School District 204 and Crone Middle School's goal to ensure that every student in our school is safe. Because of this, Indian Prairie School District 204 has developed a policy with guidelines addressing nut allergies within the school environment, congruent with the District expectations and reflective of the increasing number of students with nut allergies at Crone Middle School. Because these students cannot be in contact with foods containing this allergen, the following precautions must be taken:

1. Food items are not freely allowed in the classrooms. If food is scheduled to be a part of the classroom, food items will follow allergy guidelines and will be approved by administration. Additionally, cleaning procedures will be used after food has been present.
2. Edible curricular items will be reviewed by Crone Staff to ensure that sensitivity is taken towards student allergies. Alternate options will be offered for those with allergies to common items.
3. A peanut-free lunch table may be provided to address an individual student's needs. The table would be cleaned with soap and water before and after the lunch period.
4. Staff members involved with the student with the peanut allergy are instructed by the nurse on the individual student's health plan, possible reactions and necessary steps, including the use of an Epi-Pen in the case of a severe reaction.
5. On field trips, a staff member trained on the steps involved in a student's health/emergency plan or the parent may be present.

Thank you for your consideration and help in this matter. Please call if you have any questions or concerns. Crone's main contact for allergy related issues is Mr. Joe Sweeney.

6th Grade Locker Night Information

Date: August 16, 2018

Times: 5:00-6:00 Last Name **(A-K)**
6:15-7:15 Last Name **(L-Z)**

***Due to space limitations please follow the time slots above. This will provide the best atmosphere for the students to practice their lockers and be comfortable touring the building.**

How Does This Work:

- As you enter the school, you will report to the cafeteria and pick up your student's schedule. Tables will be split up by last name, first initial.
- Once you have your schedule, you may find your locker and put your things in your locker.
- Once the locker is set up, feel free to walk the building and follow the schedule to see where your classes are.
- This is designed to be an informal night, just for 6th graders. There is not set agenda. Spend your time walking the building and practicing your locker.

7th and 8th Grade Schedule and Locker Pick-Up Information

Date: August 17, 2018

Times: 10:00AM – 2:00PM

How Does This Work:

- 7th and 8th grade students will enter the building and go in to the cafeteria to get their schedules.
- Once your child has his/her schedule, feel free to walk the building and find your child's classrooms.
- Students may also move their things in to their lockers and practice the combo.
- There is not set agenda for this day; however, we would like students to practice their lockers and finding their classrooms.

CARPOOLING IS ENCOURAGED AS PARKING WILL BE LIMITED.

***All 6th, 7th and 8th Grade students must pick up another copy of their schedule on the first day of school.**