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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Winter Break NO SCHOOL!	2 Welcome back from Winter Break! School starts today Happy New Year 2020	3 One-hour late start	4
5	6	7 Yoga Day!	8	9 PTA meeting 6:30 p.m.	10 One-hour late start	11
12	13 7:00 a.m. Preschool Registration- applications accepted for next year	14	15	16	17 2 nd trimester ends One-hour late start	18
19	20 No School! Martin Luther King Day	21	22	23 FAST testing	24 One-hour late start FAST testing PTA Popcorn Day!	25
26	27 PTC online scheduling window opens	28	29	30 Irving Site Council 3:30	31 One-hour late start Irving Spirit Day: Pajama Day!	Notes:

Put on your calendar for February: NO SCHOOL FEBRUARY 7 and FEBRUARY 20-21 March Spring Break/non-school days: MARCH 16-20



January 2020 Irving All Star School Newsletter

Dr. Jerome Greer, welcome back to Irving! In December, we had a wonderful visit from former Irving Principal, Dr. Jerome Greer who was administrator here from 1991-1994. It was great to give Dr. Greer a tour and let him reminisce with Irving Staff members that he hired. Stay tuned to hear more about Dr. Greer's visit to Dubuque and Irving School.

Winter Gear: Children should have SNOW PANTS and SNOW BOOTS each day to play **out in the snow** at recess. Those without snow equipment will be playing on the dry blacktop area to keep their shoes and clothing dry. <u>Children are welcome to leave their equipment here at school throughout the week in their locker</u> if that is easier than transporting boots and snow pants back and forth daily. Even if there is not fresh snow, this extra winter gear helps keep students warm!

Safety Drills: In January for the start of the new calendar year, we will be conducting our safety drill on a Lockdown/ Intruder drill. This will be the second practice for this drill, as we practiced how we take cover in our classrooms back in August.

New Year... New Phone? It is critical that Irving School staff have current contact information for parents. If you have a new phone number, new address, or new emergency contacts- please send the office that information. You can call us at 552-3800 with any updates! There is nothing more frightening than having an injured or ill student, and not being able to contact anyone to assist the child in getting medical care.

Winter Weather: Stay tuned for any delays, weather-related early-outs, or cancellations via the district **INCLEMENT WEATHER LINE at 552-3035**. Please phone 552-3035 for the most up-to-the minute information. Please do not call the main Irving office number, but rather the district weather number at 552-3035. Make sure your family and children have a plan for weather-related early-outs, before we have one called.

Health Curriculum updates: January: Health/Physical Activity/Hygiene/Healthy Goals focusing on the importance of keeping your body clean, physically active and healthy. *February*: Safety focusing on safety rules for school and home.

Reminder that you can pay your **student fees and student lunch account** payments online. Go to <u>www.dbqschools.org</u> to do this. Fee statements will come out again in February to families.

Loras College education students will be supporting Irving teachers during the month of January, during their J-term coursework for Mathematics instruction. Ask your child about their classroom's Loras College helper this month!

Preschool 2020-2021: The Dubuque Community School District will be accepting registrations for the 2020-21 Statewide Voluntary Preschool Program. Registrations will begin to be accepted **at Irving** on <u>Monday January 13</u> at 7:00 a.m. on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration packets will need to be completed in order to reserve a spot in our preschool program. <u>We must have a copy of your child's birth certificate to verify age at the time of preschool registration.</u> Children must be age 4 on or before September 15, 2020 to participate. All 4 year-olds are eligible if they are a resident of the state of Iowa, regardless of your school boundary and address for kindergarten. Registration packets can be found online at <u>www.dbqschools.org</u> or picked up at the Irving office in January. Children who have completed the Voluntary Preschool Program, and wish to repeat it as a 5 year-old, may choose to be a tuition-paying 5 year-old and can enroll *after August, if* spots are still available.

Irving Main Office: 552-3800 Irving Nurse/Health Office: 552-3808

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Irving Fax Number: 552-3801 Irving Attendance Line: 552-3802