

# ISD Insider

Your Source for Independence School District News

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## ISD Academy Jamboree

This year, the Academy Jamboree was held virtually for all students in grades 8-11 to learn more about the various Academies and Pathways prior to selecting classes for the next school year. Academy Ambassadors interviewed industry professionals to learn more about their careers and seek advice on succeeding in their field. Students and families can continue to access Academy Jamboree resources here: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCK5-Dyzvm42JWITzECEwmMA>

### 2022 Virtual ISD Academy Jamboree



## Mask Policy Update

Masks are currently required for students in grades Pre-K - 12, staff and visitors in all ISD schools and ISD buildings until further notice. Masks must also still be worn on school buses, per [federal order](#). You can find all ISD health and safety protocols [here](#).



## Upcoming ISD Job Fair

Explore employment opportunities in the Independence School District on Wednesday, January 26th from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Meet with wonderful members of our team from several departments, including Early Education, Transportation, Nutrition Services, Facilities, Kids' Safari, and Special Education. The ISD Job Fair will take place at Central Office located at 201 N. Forest Avenue, Independence, MO 64050. View our current open positions at <https://www.isdschools.org/careers/>.



## ISD Partners with Hazel Health

The Independence School District is partnering with Hazel Health to expand our student health services. Hazel offers virtual doctor visits accessible from the school nurse's office for PreK – 12th grade. By gaining access to this tele-health service, many minor visits can be initiated by an ISD nurse in order to obtain a diagnosis without missing a day of learning. Parents will be notified prior to any virtual visit. ISD families can opt-in to Hazel [here](#).



## Free and Reduced Meals Application

Please submit a Free and Reduced Meals application to ensure continued funding to support all students in our district. The completion of this application is one way funding is determined for the school district through the state. You can fill out an application [online here](#) or call 816-521-5371 with any questions. Although free breakfast and lunch is available for all ISD students through the end of the 2021-2022 school year, submitting an application can increase funding to support all ISD students for things like district-provided dental, vision and mental health services, discounts on fees for ACT, SAT and AP courses and discounts on college application fees. Thank you for supporting your student and our district!



## Looking Ahead in the ISD

**February 18 - No School (Staff Professional Development)**

**February 21 - No School (Presidents' Day)**

**March 14-17 - Parent Teacher Conferences (School is in Session)**



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