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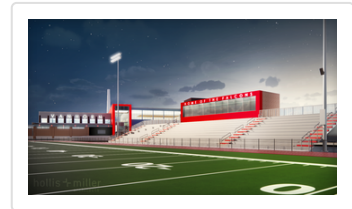
Save the Date for the ISD Parade

Mark your calendars to celebrate the Independence School District during the all-district parade on Saturday, October 16th at 9 a.m. Students, teachers and staff from each of our 30 schools will march around the Independence Square, celebrating our district and community. You can find more information on the parade, including the parade route [here](#).



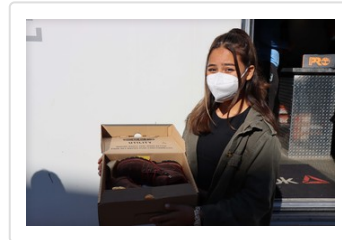
Van Horn High School Stadium Grand Opening October 1st

Join us on Friday, October 1st at 6:30 p.m to celebrate the grand opening of the Van Horn High School stadium. The ceremony will take place ahead of Van Horn's first football game hosted in its own stadium in nearly a decade. The Falcons will take on the Truman Patriots at 7:00 p.m. The Van Horn High School stadium was completed as part of the District's \$43 million bond issue passed in April with the support of 84.75% of voters in the Independence School District.



Construction Trades Students Receive Work Boots from Academy Business Partner

ISD students in Construction Trades received brand new quality work boots thanks to Morgan Miller Plumbing and E. Edwards Work Wear. The Mobile Safety Shoe Store visited William Chrisman to give students the opportunity to try on and select new boots to wear in class and on construction sites as part of their studies. We appreciate our incredible business partners for supporting our students and the Independence School District.



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.

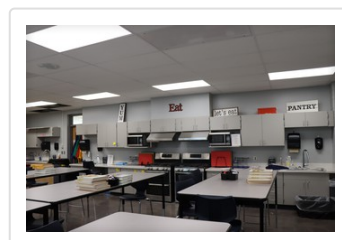
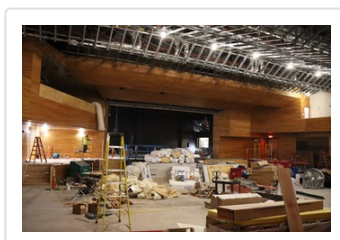
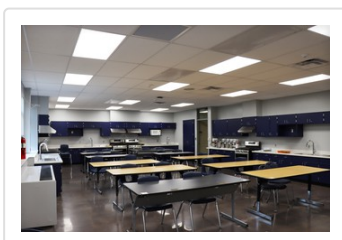
Although free breakfast and lunch is available for all ISD students through the end of the 2021-2022 school year, submitting an application can increase funding to support all ISD students for things like district-provided dental, vision and mental health services, discounts on fees for ACT, SAT and AP courses and discounts on college application fees. Thank you for supporting your student and our district!

Free Breakfast & Lunch



Bond Progress As Promised

Take a look at the exciting progress taking place across the Independence School District thanks to the \$43 million bond voters passed in April! The bond included significant investments in safety and security, Performing Arts, playgrounds, classroom renovations and facility maintenance. A full list of bond projects as well as a project timeline can be found [here](#).



ISD Partners with Hazel Health

The Independence School District is partnering with Hazel Health to expand student health services. Hazel offers virtual doctor visits accessible from the school nurse's office for PreK – 12th grade. When your student is feeling sick while at school, they can



connect with Hazel for same-day care. Hazel allows the ISD to provide HIPAA and FERPA-compliant school-based healthcare for minor ailments (earaches, sore throats, etc.) in order to ensure that students are healthy, and ready to learn. 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 by submitting a signed [consent form here](#).

Truman Football's Varsity Kicker Featured on Fox 4 News

Truman High School senior and varsity soccer player Laney Smith earned the starting kicker position on the Patriots varsity football team. Hear Laney share her excitement about this football season in this story featured on Fox 4 News:

Truman High School Football Kicker Featured on Fox 4 News



Looking Ahead in the ISD

September 24 - No School (Staff Professional Development)

October 18-21 - Parent Teacher Conferences (School is in Session)

October 22 - No School

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