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# Explorer News

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

online newsletter: [www.smore.com](http://www.smore.com)

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Dear Parents,

We began selling Save Around Coupon Books on Friday, December 21. The fundraiser continues until January 19th. Save Around is a great product that offers hundreds of coupons and thousands of dollars in saving. The convenience of Save Around is one of the main reasons we continued to partner with them. Not only does the book offer great savings but the App for your phone, once downloaded, doubles the amount of savings, without the need to carry around the actual book. This fundraiser has become our biggest fundraiser of the year. Each student will receive a coupon book to take home to show as a sample. Prizes will be awarded to our top sellers and rewards will even be given to students who don't participate but successfully return their coupon books back to school. Each SaveAround coupon book costs \$25 with 50% of the total profits going back to the school. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 from this fundraiser. The money raised from this fundraiser will be used to fund unique educational STEM experience at every grade level. Below is the list of educational materials that we are planning to purchase:

- Grade 1: Animal Habitat Unit: Equipment and Materials
- Grade 2: Life Cycles Unit: Hen Hatching
- Grade 3: Measurement Unit: Catapult Challenge
- Grade 4: Flight Unit: Rockets
- Grade 5: Inventors Shark Tank: Materials and Equipment
- Grade 6: Science Fair: Materials and Equipment

## STATE TESTING

State Testing is just around the corner. We want you to be prepared by being aware of all the upcoming test dates. Please mark your calendars and be sure to avoid making appointments on these dates for your students as attendance is critical for success.

### WIDA (ENGLISH LEARNERS ONLY)

- January 8th - February 23rd

### ISTEP PART 1 (ALL 3, 4, 5 & 6 GRADERS)

- February 26th - March 9th

### IREAD (3RD GRADERS)

- March 12th - 16th

### ISTEP PART 2 (ALL 3, 4, 5 & 6 GRADERS)

- April 16th - May 4th

Keep Exploring,

**-Mr. Kevin Kemper**

“Do not be embarrassed by your failures, learn from them and start again.”-Richard Branson



## Lawrence Excellence!

Archived copies of our newsletters are available on our website.

## Featured Sponsor of the Month: Ray's Trash Service

Support the businesses that support Indian Creek. Thank you to Ray's Trash Service for their continued support sponsoring our PFO's purchase of our school-wide t-shirt. Thanks to Ray's Trash Service and other local businesses, all Indian Creek students, staff, and volunteers will receive a free Indian Creek t-shirt again this school year.

### Attendance Reminder

The attendance line is available 24 hours a day, **317-964-4405**. If absence is not confirmed by parent/guardian, it will be UNEX-CUSED! Please call the attendance line by 8:00 am if your student will be absent.

**Main Office: 317-964-4400**

**Transportation: 317-423-8400**

**Transportation email:** [businfo@msdlt.k12.in.us](mailto:businfo@msdlt.k12.in.us)

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## District News

### High Ability Testing for Grades 1, 3, 4 and 5

The district is currently accepting parent requests for High Ability Testing for students in grades 1, 3, 4, and 5. Requests may be submitted between January 8, 2018 and January 26, 2018. The testing will take place on February 21st, 2018 from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. for students in grades 1 and 4 and February 22nd from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. for students in grades 3 and 5. Testing will take place at the Lawrence Education and Community Center (LECC) located at 6501 Sunnyside Road. If you feel your child might be a candidate for placement in a high ability classroom for the 2018-2019 school year, then please visit the district's website at [Itschools.org](http://Itschools.org) for more information.

### Preschool Enrollment

Preschool enrollment for the 2018-2019 school year is now underway. Please call the Office of Early Childhood Education at 317-423-8363 for information.

### Making the Most of Middle School

Plan to join us on February 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm at Fall Creek Middle School for our Parent Engagement Series, Making the Most of Middle School, to learn about all of the exciting opportunities our middle schools have to offer your child!

### 7th Grade Transfer Request

Students entering 7th grade in the fall may submit a request to attend a middle school other than the school currently serving their attendance boundary. The deadline is February 11<sup>th</sup>. See the Announcement on the website for details.

### Weather Related School Closings

Moving into the winter months there may be mornings when it is necessary to cancel or delay the start of school. Visit the Announcements on our website for details regarding weather related closing/delay procedures.

### *Sponsors Wanted~*

We are now looking for sponsors for our 2017-18 Student of the Month Celebration. If you know of any businesses that would be interested in sponsoring the our Student of the Month Celebration, please contact Mr. Kemper @ 317-964-4400. Each Month's celebration cost \$80 to sponsor . Thanks!

## Upcoming Events

### January

1/15– MLK Day; No School

1/18– IREAD Night, 6:00 pm

1/19– SaveAround Coupon Books Due

1/19– First Semester Honor Ceremony

1/23– PFO Meeting, 6:00 pm

### February

2/2- "Souper" Bowl

2/9- Movie Night; 7:00 pm

2/13– IREAD Night

2/15- Jump Rope For Heart

2/16– Snow Make-Up Day; If Needed

2/19– President's Day; No School

2/23– 5th Grade Valley Forge Day



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