



Indian Trail PTO News 12/13/2020

Happy Holidays and Thank You for Your Support

On behalf of our Indian Trail PTO Executive Board Happy Holidays and thank you for your support of the PTO and our amazing teachers! We made it through a most unusual first 4 months of school! Thank you to all of our board and committee members who have volunteered their time and talents to help support our programs and fundraising efforts for Indian Trail. We hope that you all stay healthy and find some time to relax and enjoy time with your family during winter break.

Holiday Gifts for Teachers and Staff

Our Classroom Communicators (Room Parents) were not asked to collect money from families this year for classroom gifts to teachers in order to keep their role as simple as possible and to ensure that families did not feel pressure to contribute money in this unusual year. The PTO will be dropping off a small gift for each teacher to pick up from school including some Indian Trail spirit wear and a treat from Chicago Mike's. If your family would like to acknowledge teachers, we've included a few ideas below since we have received some questions.

Some simple gifts include:

- A heartfelt email, photo or drawing
- Electronic gift cards are an easy way to say thank you since many of our teachers are working remotely. Teachers can receive electronic gift cards at their email addresses and the staff directory is listed on the [Indian Trail website](#). Some easy e-gift cards include Amazon, Target, Starbucks, Gifty, restaurant delivery services like DoorDash/UberEats/GrubHub, or any local place that you know your classroom teacher enjoys.
- A donation to the 112 Foundation on the teacher's behalf via a High 5



Spirit Wear Update - Orders May Be Picked up Starting Tuesday, 12/15

Spirit Wear orders will be available for pickup starting **Tuesday 12/15** at school on tables outside of the Indian Trail vestibule. Spirit Wear orders will be bagged by student last name and can be picked up until Friday, 12/18 during regular school vestibule hours (8AM - 4PM).

Yearbook Photo Request - Festive Winter Fun

Send us a photo of your child having some holiday or winter fun over winter break! Please include your student's name and classroom and send your photo to indiantrilyearbooks@gmail.com.

If you find yourself scrolling through your photos over break and have photos of your student from other categories we've asked for so far this year, please send them our way!

- First Day of School
- Virtual FunD Run
- Halloween Costumes
- Library/Book Fair
- Art Class
- eLearning
- StoryWalk
- Blue Ribbon
- Music/Recorder Playing
- Lending a Helping Hand

Day of Giving 2020

Join Indian Trail PTO in supporting this year's Day of Giving! We recently used funds generously donated by our school community during membership sign ups to purchase \$300 in food and toiletry items towards the cause, but even more assistance is needed! You can help support over 100 families in need in Highland Park and Highwood this holiday season:

- Share this information and help spread the word!
- Contribute non-perishable grocery items from [Day of Giving Sign Up Genius](#)
- Purchase items from the [Day of Giving Amazon Wish List](#) for items specific to family needs
- Donate funds – see the flyer below for donation information
- Volunteer to prep or deliver by contacting Ida Fiore (idafiore3@gmail.com)

**DAY OF GIVING
2020**

**112
EDUCATION
FOUNDATION**

Rotary 
Highland Park/
Highwood

**Join us this Holiday Season in
support of LOCAL Families!**

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SERVING SAFELY

Families will receive 3 Bags of Groceries
and personalized Holiday Gifts on 12/19/20.

Ways YOU can be safely involved!

- Purchase Winter Clothing and/or Food Items directly from the DofG Amazon Wish List
- Donate Financially
 - Venmo to @ida-fiore OR checks to Rotary Club of HP/HW are tax deductible
- Provide service at home by making blankets
- Volunteer to prep or deliver 12/13 to 12/19

#StrongerTogether #GiveWhereYouLive

Contact us for more details.

idafiore3@gmail.com - 847.612.3815

D112 PTO Council Virtual Food Drive

If you haven't already donated and are able to do so, please consider a monetary donation to Moraine Township Food Pantry in place of what you would typically donate in goods through one of our school drives. Click on the image below to make a donation. Thank you for your support of our community during this difficult time!



Upcoming Events

- Tuesday, 12/15-Friday, 12/18 from 8 AM to 4 PM: Spirit Wear Order Pickup at Indian Trail near vestibule
- Wednesday, Dec. 16th, 6:00 PM, Dr. Doug Bolton/D112 Webinar: Building Resilience During a Pandemic
[REGISTER FOR EVENT HERE](#)
- December 21 - January 1: Winter Break
- Saturday, January 9: iRead 2021 Begins - Look for more details soon from the 112 Education Foundation

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.