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November and December are going to be very exciting for Indian Ridge Middle School. These months will be filled with holiday events that everyone can look forward to! From November 12 to the 21, the National Junior Honor Society will be hosting a Harvest Drive for families in need. Students and teachers can collect canned goods and other products that can be used during the holiday season! On December 11 students will be entertained with the amazing singing of the Indian Ridge chorus! The very next day you will be able to catch the band performing an amazing show about the holiday season. If you would like to participate on Grandparent's Day on November 25, please reach out to the grade level office.

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The Jaguar Jog

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Ofir, Mia, Karina, Anna, and Ariana smile for the Jaguar Jog pep rally.

IRMS cheerleaders pose for a fun photo.



This was the 24th Annual Jaguar Jog at IRMS. Thanks to the contributions of the students, staff, and families, the amazing PTO raised \$30,000! That money will go back into making IRMS an even better place to learn and work!

The cheerleaders perform the brand new purge dance at the pep rally.



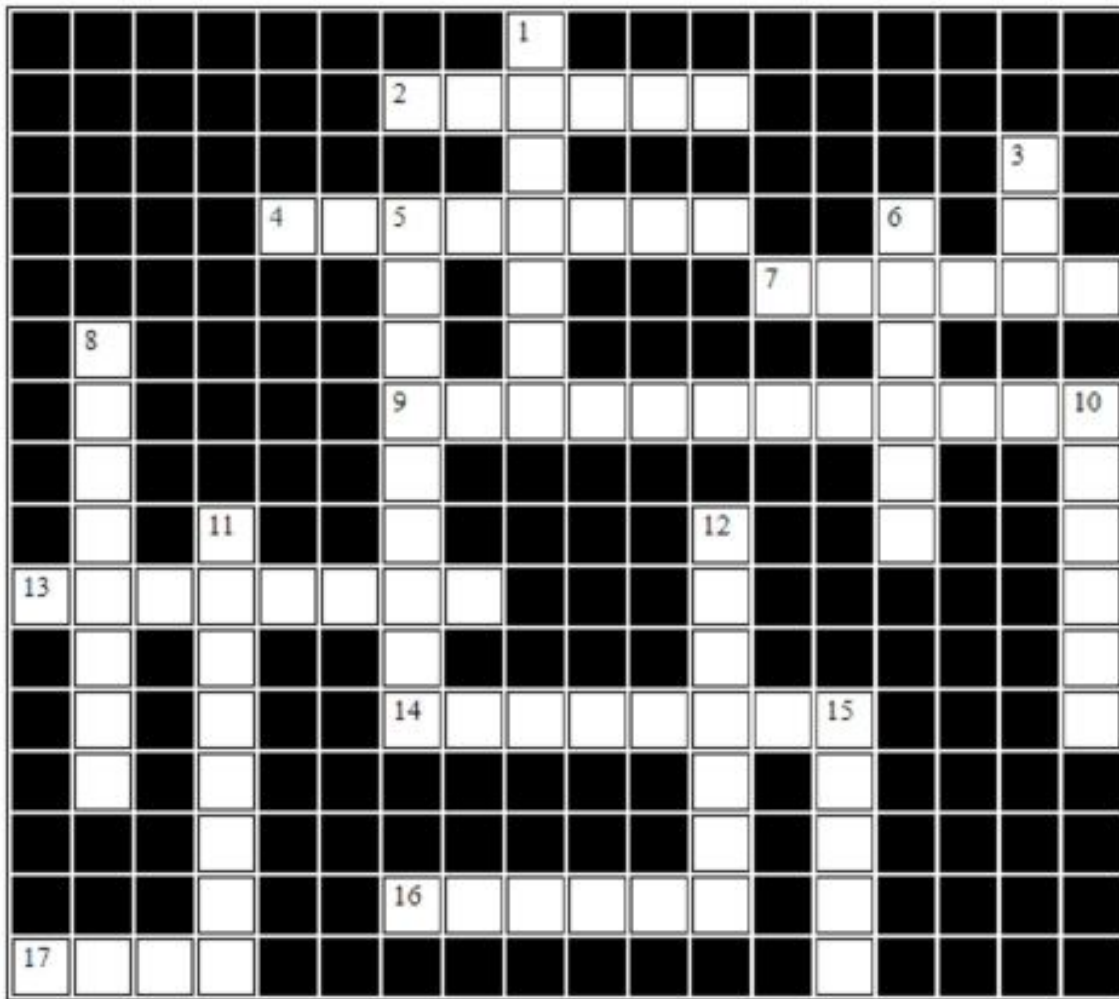
The Jaguar Jog is an annual event that takes place from October 21st to November 1st. From the money, Indian Ridge can purchase new equipment for students. At the Jaguar Jog Pep Rally, the cheerleaders and STEP team perform their routines to introduce the Jog. The Jog takes place at the track where you can spot the Jaguar mascot, Jasper. To wrap up this event, the awesome DJ drops the beat at the dance! Students and staff can get a refreshment by slurping a super sweet slushie. Students are buzzing with excitement for the Jaguar Jog!

Sixth grader Reya Robbins looked forward to winning the Indian Ridge water bottle. Reya said her favorite part of the Jaguar Jog was, "Watching the cheerleaders at the pep rally!" Seventh grader, Melvin Civincha, stated, "My favorite part of the Jaguar Jog is talking with my friends while doing exercise." He was hoping to win the VR set, while sixth grader Anthony Hernandaz wanted the AirPods. When Brynn Feller, 6th grade, loves, "The actual jog, just because it was fun to walk around the track and get tattoos." She also said that she wanted to win the Apple AirPods.

It's not only the students who adore the Jaguar Jog. One teacher, Ms. Shabsels, loves the Jaguar Jog! She helped out at the Jaguar Jog by watching all the students at the dance. She made sure that everyone was calm and wasn't running around. Shabsels, who is the reading coach at IRMS, also made sure that everyone was having fun! She said, "I try to contribute anything to the school, so whatever they need me to do, I'm there to do it." The Jaguar Jog is a great Indian Ridge tradition that students and staff love! All Indian Ridge students and staff members look forward to next year's Jaguar Jog!

Falling into Autumn

Crossword Puzzle



Across

2. ___ are your relatives.
4. These people would have died if not for the help of the Indians.
7. The main component of a Thanksgiving feast.
9. We celebrate ___ to give thanks with family and friends.
13. America started as the original 13 ___.
14. Used to fill turkeys.
16. We give this during thanksgiving.
17. You boil water in ___.

Down

1. We live in ___.
3. A desert that can use pumpkin, apples, blueberries and more.
5. Chances are, your family will not eat everything so you get the delicious ___.
6. "Guys, I'm ___ing to New York Tomorrow morning."
8. The original settlers landed at ___ rock.
10. The sound a turkey makes.
11. You can mash, bake, or fry these carbohydrates.
12. These people helped Pilgrims survive their initial arrival.
15. Pour this all over turkey and potatoes.

Editorials

Too Little Time?

By Claire Shannon

More time in between classes has been an on going argument for a long time. Indian Ridge Middle School gives you four minutes to get from class to class and use the bathroom or do what you must do. Most people believe it's not enough time. Antonella Contreras begs to differ. "The time we already have is enough for us to get to our next class." Therefore, Antonella thinks we shouldn't have more time in between classes. Other students at Indian Ridge disagree about the time between classes. They believe that 4 minutes is not enough time at all! You see, to use the bathroom (or other personal matters) and get to class on time, it takes more than four minutes. Yori Marsh further explains, "I think we should have more time in between classes because some of the people going to class, their classes are farther from where they left from so I think they should have more time in between their next period." So obviously this bell change argument differs between each student. As the years go by, this debate becomes more and more important. What do you think? Should we have more time in-between classes?

Yori Marsh has a strong opinion to share.



Photo credit: Danielle Glen

Block Schedule

By Lana Tarr, Madden Edwards, and Madison Mceachron

Block schedule is a system of scheduling the middle or high school day, typically replacing a more traditional schedule of six or seven 40-50-minute daily periods with longer class periods that meet fewer times each day and week. Block schedule is normally for high school, however there is a debate whether it should be in middle school or not. Cole Mankowski states, "I am for block schedule because it will give people more time in class to make new friends." Block schedule provides longer planning and teaching periods for teachers. It also allows students to focus more with an additional 30 minutes in class. Mia Acevedo says that, "Block schedule is good because it allows students to have less stress when dealing with homework and when you only have one day to finish it." Keandra Lacy is against block schedule because, "it will be complicated for the students to learn about block schedule and it could get in the way of focusing on schoolwork." What side are you on?

In high school block schedule is what you do where you do a half and half schedule, four periods one day four the next. So, block is actually very helpful since your classes are longer, but you don't get tired of the same teachers every day. You either hate it or love it. If you do not like a teacher, you only deal with them every few days. Also, if you have block schedule your teachers have longer planning periods (the class that they have no students and can get work done). Since you have longer classes, if you don't understand something, the teacher has more opportunity to help you.

What Thanksgiving Food Are You?

By Ryan Seiden, Charlee Shon, Emily Greenfield, Isha Patel, Natalie Pascut, Lexi Arencibia



What is your favorite scent?

- a. Pumpkin spice
- b. Vanilla
- c. Brown sugar

What is your favorite snack?

- a. Candy
- b. Potato chips
- c. Slim Jim

What is your favorite fast food restaurant?

- a. Dunkin Donuts
- b. McDonald's
- c. Taco Bell

What is your spirit animal?

- a. Tiger
- b. White fox
- c. Turkey

What is your favorite subject?

- a. Math
- b. Science
- c. Culinary

Which person in the friend group are you?

- a. The nice one
- b. The slacker
- c. The moody one

Which word best describes you?

- a. Sweet
- b. Lazy
- c. Aggressive

If you mostly answered A...
You are PUMPKIN PIE!

If you mostly answered B...
You are MASHED POTATOES!

If you mostly answered C...
You are a TURKEY!

By: Hannah Wingate and Isabelle Powell

HOOPING THEIR WAY TO VICTORY



The Lady Jags pose in celebration after their victory against Pioneer Middle.



The team huddles up right before the Jaguars play the Pioneer Middle to strategize and inspire each other.



Riley Stoker shoots a free throw.

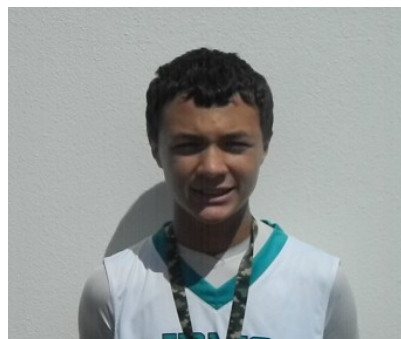
The game is tied and there are ten seconds left on the clock. The Jags get the ball, they SHOOT, and they SCORE! The girl's and boy's basketball team have an undefeated season. If they keep this up, both teams will be able to make it to the championship.

Monday, November 18, is the opening game in the playoffs. Both the boys and girls Jags will rematch Tequesta Trace at home. A Jaguar game is two dollars per person. You can go with your friends and have a lot of fun watching the game. The cost of an adult ticket is three dollars. Both the girl's and boy's team games are one hour for each game. Games start at 4:30 and 5:30 pm and end at 5:30 and 6:30 pm.

Ethan Martinez and Caroline Walsh are both on the basketball team. Walsh states, "When the teachers assign a lot of homework, and when I have practice until 5:30, sometimes it is hard to finish." Martinez states that, "Homework is the toughest part of being a student athlete." Walsh says she has been playing basketball for two years and Martinez says he has been playing for five years. The team loves the support of their classmates and teachers, so go to a game and cheer on your fellow Jags! Sportsmanship is an important thing to know when playing a sport. Coach Gray, the boys basketball coach, says, "Good sportsmanship is important because you have to lose and win with class." Walsh says, "Basketball has taught me to be fair when playing." Coach Gray states he wanted to be the basketball coach because he loves the game of basketball. He has played basketball all his life and wanted to give back to the school.



This is Lady Jag Caroline Walsh after a great game!



This is Ethan Martinez tired from a game.

Black Friday Madness

By: Haylee Santantonio

Shopping sprees and incredible deals! Sounds great, right? Some people think that people should go shopping on Black Friday while others disagree with this. Black Friday occurs once a year on the day after Thanksgiving. Many people go shopping on this day because stores nationwide have huge sales on that one day out of the year. Jackie Delarosa, a sixth grader at Indian Ridge Middle School (IRMS) says that, "There should not be Black Friday because many things get sold out at stores and people get hurt sometimes."

Throughout the years twelve people have died and over one hundred people have been injured due to Black Friday! Some causes of these injuries and deaths are violent criminals taking advantage of all the people in one area, disorderly shoppers, crowded parking lots, and crowded stores where people may get stampeded.

While this madness may not sound like much fun, there are of course benefits that many people feel are worth the risk of getting injured or even killed. Studies show that people love Black Friday for many reasons. This includes the fighting. Why would people enjoy fighting with each other over items at the store? Well according to the researcher Sang-Eun Byun, "At certain levels, consumers enjoy challenges during the shopping process." There is also the more obvious reason: they love coupons and saving money! A sixth grader at IRMS named Lindsay Brasner explains that she thinks that we should have Black Friday because, "there are sales and you get great deals on them. Most people can't afford a television to have in their house or a refrigerator to keep their food cold. It is a day where you can get things that you need and things that you want also." What do you think, should we maintain the Black Friday tradition or is it time to put a stop to it?

Jackie Delarosa thinks that there should not be black Friday.



Lindsay Brasner says there should be black Friday.

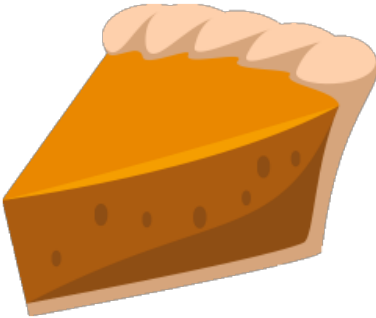


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Sudoku

By Elijah Forst

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Scrambled Pie

By: Abigail Nicolas

Unscramble the recipe for the Perfect Pumpkin Pie!

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- 4 1 teaspoon of dunrog
- nonanimc
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When finished, wait for it to cool down before eating,

Comics

By: Anjali Nori and Abigail Nicolas



Just Say No To Drugs And Alcohol!

by Hailey Anderson

Red Ribbon Week is a set of days to promote being above the influence of drugs and alcohol. Broward County celebrates Red Ribbon Week because they want their schools to be drug and alcohol free. Indian Ridge, who celebrated it from October 23- 29, participates by offering out of uniform days in funny pun themes related to the cause. We had days such as “Team Up Against Drugs” day and “Be A ‘Jean-ious’, Don’t Do Drugs” day to give students a catchy way to remember to rise above the influence.

Approximately 31% of U.S. college students report symptoms of alcohol abuse according to <https://www.addictioncenter.com>. Even though this statistic is on college students, a child in high school could be headed down the same path as a college student.



Maya and Yena smile for jean day.



A group of sixth graders smiling to be drug free!



Rachel, Jaron, and Emily are proud to wear neon!



Savannah, Jaden, Sebastian, Jonathan, Soeni, and

Students from Ms. Finley’s class are teaming up against drugs!



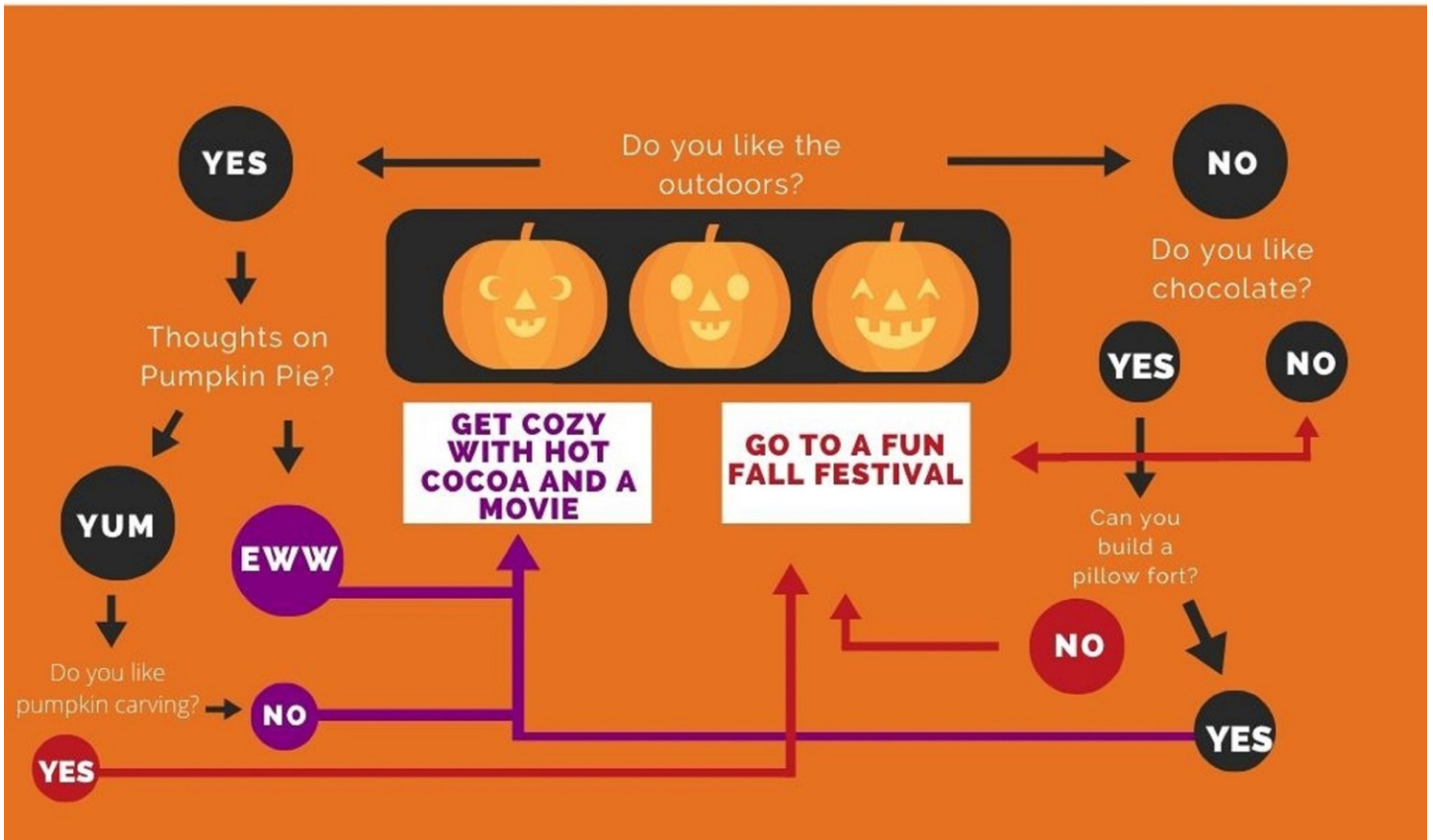
David, Elizabeth, Julia, Reese, Chase, and Isabela are too bright for drugs!.



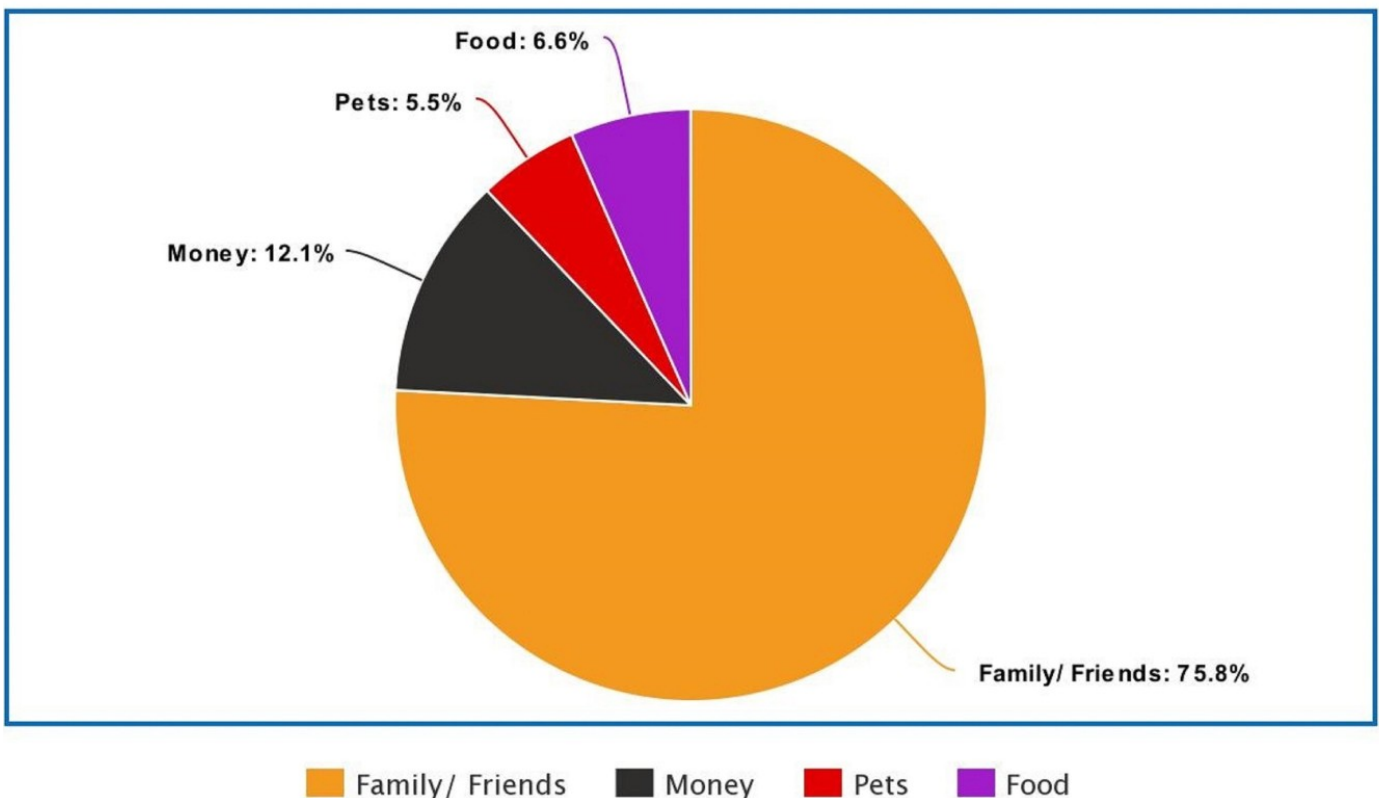
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WHAT FALL ACTIVITY SHOULD YOU DO?

By Ryan Seiden, Natalie Pascut, Isha Patel, Charlee Shon, Emily Greenfield, Lexi Arencibia



What are students most grateful for?



Fall Word Hunt

By Caroline Walsh



Cranberries

Leaves

Autumn

Family

Hayride

Macy's Day Parade

Mashed Potatoes

Pumpkin

Chilly

Cinnamon

Pies

Pilgrims

Scarecrow

Turkey

Yams

Acorns

Corn Maze

Feast

Stuffing

Thanksgiving

Mayflower