

Exciting Changes to Community Day: Celebrating Our Impact Together

Dear Indian Valley Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

For years, our annual Community Day has been a cornerstone of our school spirit. This year, we are thrilled to announce a fresh "revamp" of this tradition—one designed to deepen our students' connection to service and allow us to celebrate their hard work in a much bigger way.

What's New This Year? Introducing IV Impact Day

In the past, we have focused our service activities on the day of the event. This year, we are flipping the script! We are asking students to **complete their volunteer hours at home and within the local community prior to the event.** By moving the "action" phase to the weeks leading up to IV Impact Day, we hope to give students the agency to choose causes they are truly passionate about. Whether it's helping a neighbor, babysitting a sibling, volunteering at a food bank, or organizing a neighborhood cleanup, we want our students to see that they have the power to make a tangible difference in the real world.

<p>How It Works</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Service Window: All students are encouraged to complete hours of service between now and May 8th.● Service Log: Students are asked to complete the Google Form (see reverse side) each time they complete service hours.● The Big Day: On May 15th, we will gather at school for a celebration. Instead of working, this day will be dedicated to honoring the students' contributions. Students will participate in an outdoor challenge; 60th anniversary field day games and a grade-level picnic.	<p>Ideas for Volunteer Locations:</p> <p>Helping a neighbor or doing work in your neighborhood or even your own home!</p> <p>Pawsibilities Mitzvah Circle Living Hope Farm Care and Share Thrift Shop Shephards Shelf Garden of Health MCC Material Resource Center Keystone Opportunity Center Manna on Main Street Living Hope Farm Dog Town Rescue</p>
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Service is most meaningful when it is personal. This new format allows families to volunteer together and helps students build a lifelong habit of giving back. It transforms IV Impact Day from a "to-do list" into a celebration of character and community spirit. The grade level with the most hours by the 8th will have an additional surprise added to their outdoor challenge.

SUPPORT IMPACT DAY- WATER BALLOON FUN!

Sponsor a teacher or come join the fun to toss water balloons at the students as they run the Outdoor Challenge. \$5 will buy 5 water balloons for adults to toss as students engage in various activities around our campus. All money collected will go to the IV Impact Day fund to support the \$20 Impact Challenge and IVMS families and students experiencing hardships.

[IV Impact Day](#)

We are so excited to see the creative ways our students choose to serve. Thank you for your continued support in helping our students grow into empathetic, engaged citizens.

Sincerely,
Impact Day Planning Committee

Indian Valley Middle School IMPACT DAY

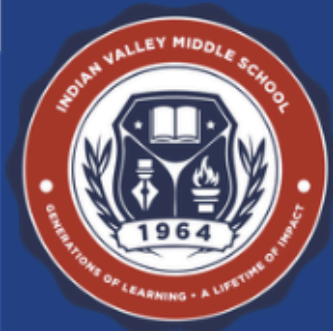
HELP US MAKE AN IMPACT

As part of our new Impact Day, we are challenging Indian Valley students to volunteer in the community outside of the school day.

Parents are asked to help record their children's service hours by scanning the QR code below. Our goal is to have every Indian Valley student participate in giving back, with a culminating celebration on May 15th.

Prizes will be awarded throughout the upcoming weeks for students with the most hours complete. The grade level that completes the most hours will earn a water slide during their physical challenge on the 15th.

**SCAN HERE TO CHECK
OUR PROGRESS**



**SCAN HERE TO
LOG HOURS**



The \$20 Impact Challenge

"Big change starts with a small act."

What can twenty dollars really do? While it might buy a few snacks or a movie ticket, we believe it holds the power to spark a movement. The **\$20 Impact Challenge** is an invitation for you to step into the role of a community changemaker. We are challenging you to take a single twenty-dollar bill and use it as a tool to solve a problem, brighten someone's day, or meet a need in your neighborhood. This isn't just about spending money; it's about magnifying empathy, practicing leadership, and proving that you don't need a massive budget to create a massive impact. Show us how your creativity and heart can turn a small gesture into a lasting ripple of good.

Please scan the QR code to have your idea considered. Give as much detail as possible as all submissions will not be selected. ****Important**** - students submitting ideas must fill out the Google Form and have the permission slip signed by their parents in order for their idea to be considered. All forms can be turned into the Main Office.

Idea Submission Deadline: March 31, 2026

Final Project Deadline: May 15, 2026

Part 1: Your Information

- **Full Name:** _____
- **Grade Level:** _____



Part 2: The Vision (The Pitch)

- **Project Title:** *Give your idea a catchy name!*
- **The Problem:** *What need or "gap" in your community are you trying to address?*
- **The \$20 Plan:** *Be specific. How exactly will you spend the money?*
- **Target Impact:** *Who will benefit from this project, and how many people do you hope to reach?*

Part 4: The Final Submission

Reflective Video Requirements:

Please upload a video (max 2 minutes) that includes the following:

1. **The Action:** Footage or photos of you putting the \$20 to work.
2. **The Result:** What happened? Did things go as planned?
3. **The Personal Impact:** How did doing this change the way you think about your community or your own ability to make a difference?

Parental Consent & Release Form: The \$20 Impact Challenge

Project Overview: The \$20 Impact Challenge is an initiative designed to empower students to make a tangible, positive impact on their local community. Each participating student will be tasked with using \$20 to fund a service project of their choice. Upon completion, students will submit a short video reflecting on their experience and the impact of their work.

We encourage you to let your child take the lead on the "how" and "where" of this project. The goal is to build their confidence in their ability to solve problems and help others. Your role is primarily to be their "Safety Officer" and perhaps their biggest cheerleader!

Student Information

- **Student Name:** _____
- **Grade:** _____

Parent/Guardian Permission

By signing below, I acknowledge and agree to the following:

1. **Project Supervision:** I understand that this project will be completed outside of school hours. I take full responsibility for supervising my child's activities, ensuring their safety, and providing transportation if necessary.
2. **Financial Responsibility:** I understand the student will be provided (or reimbursed) \$20 for project materials. Any spending beyond this amount is the responsibility of the student/family.
3. **Media Release:** I grant permission for my child to film and take photographs during this project. I understand that the resulting video reflection will be submitted to the school for educational purposes and potentially shared in school-related presentations or social media.
4. **Community Interaction:** I approve of the project idea my child has proposed and will ensure their interactions with the community are respectful and safe.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____ **Date:** _____