

PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT: STAYING TRUE TO OUR VISION AS WE GROW

At IEA, our Montessori roots and entrepreneurial vision guide every decision we make — and that includes how our school continues to grow. We're currently preparing an amendment to our school charter, and before we submit it to the Utah State Board of Education for approval, we wanted our families to be among the first to know. We believe strongly that our learning environment should stay true to who we are: a community rooted in independence, respect, and real-world readiness for every student. This amendment reflects our ongoing commitment to that vision, and to making sure IEA remains a place where our program, our policies, and our promise to families all stay aligned as we grow. We're sharing this with you now — ahead of formal approval — because transparency with our parents matters to us, and because your understanding and support are part of what makes this community strong.

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SEPT. 7	SEPT. 2-11	SEPT. 14	SEPT. 17	SEPT. 18
LABOR DAY NO SCHOOL	FALL ASSESSMENT WINDOW Acadience and I-Ready Diagnostic	FAMILY SKATE NIGHT Free admission Classic Skating, Sandy 5:30-8:30 pm LEARN MORE	MINIMAL DAY Early Dismissal at 11:45 am P/T CONFERENCES 12:30-6:00 PM Look forward to a Sign-Up link from your child's teacher	HOME-BASED LEARNING DAY Staff Professional Development Day
SEPT. 21	SEPT. 16	SEPT. 24	SEPT. 29	
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS BEGIN Last day to register is Sept. 16! LEARN MORE	FALL FESTIVAL sponsored by PTO 3:00-7:00 PM TRIUMPH PARK More details to come!	SCHOOL VISION SCREENINGS	SCHOOL PICTURE DAY Pictures by Camera Shy; Order details to come	

**NEW TO
IEA?**
See
details
below

WHAT IS A HOME-BASED LEARNING DAY?

Home-Based Learning days are periodic non site-attendance days (ie; Sept 18) giving our teachers valuable time for planning, collaboration, data analysis for individualized instruction and interventions, as needed, and professional development. These days provide an opportunity for students to complete required work independently in a home-based environment. Teachers provide detailed information on assigned work no later than 8 am on the HBL day.

HBL days are counted as attendance days and work completed and submitted is evidence of a child's attendance.

GET INVOLVED at IEA:

VOLUNTEERING & FAMILY PARTNERSHIP

LEARN HOW TO VOLUNTEER

Welcome to the Ignite Entrepreneurship Academy (IEA) family! At IEA, we believe that a vibrant school community is built on a strong partnership between our dedicated families, passionate staff, and the wider community. Your involvement is the spark that ignites our students' learning journeys. There are countless ways to make a meaningful impact, from lending a hand in classrooms and at school events to actively participating in our Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) or contributing financially to enrich our students' educational experiences. Every contribution, big or small, helps us achieve our mission and ensures each of our Firebirds has the opportunity to spread their entrepreneurial wings and succeed.

- Volunteer in the Classroom – Help teachers with projects, reading groups, or organizing materials.
- Assist at School Events – Support assemblies, field trips, afterschool clubs, and special celebrations.
- Join the PTO (Parent Teacher Organization) – Collaborate with other parents to plan activities, fundraisers, and community events.
- Donate to Support Student Programs – Contribute financially or provide supplies to enhance learning opportunities.
- Share Your Talents – Lead a workshop, mentor students, or offer professional expertise to enrich our programs.
- Classroom Projects & Prep at Home – Cut, laminate, or prep materials that support teachers and students.
- Be a Community Ambassador – Spread the word about Ignite, invite friends to school events, and share our story on social media.

We're LISTENING

SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM STATUS

We've heard your feedback regarding the school lunch experience, and we truly appreciate you sharing your thoughts. We're actively exploring ways to lower the cost per lunch while still offering a variety of nutritious, appealing meal options for our students — including a possible move away from LunchLink toward a new in-house model.

Please know this isn't a done deal yet. We're still working through the details, and getting there in a way that works for our families and our budget will take real parent support. If an in-house model moves forward, we will need lunch volunteers, who would need to secure a Food Handler's Permit before assisting. We'll keep you updated as plans take shape! Please consider volunteering!

VOLUNTEERS WILL RECEIVE ONE FREE LUNCH FOR THEIR STUDENT FOR EVERY LUNCHBLOCK THEY VOLUNTEER!

LEARN MORE

VOLUNTEER TO HELP

FOOD HANDLER'S PERMIT



STUDENT HEALTH AND SAFETY

WHEN SHOULD YOUR CHILD STAY HOME FROM SCHOOL?

We want all of our Firebirds to be healthy, safe, and ready to learn! To help protect our school community, please keep your child home if they are experiencing any of the following:

- Fever of 100.4°F or higher (must be fever-free for 24 hours without medication before returning).
- Vomiting or diarrhea within the past 24 hours.
- Severe sore throat, cough, or difficulty breathing.
- Undiagnosed rash that could be contagious.
- Eye redness with discharge (possible conjunctivitis/pink eye).
- Too tired, irritable, or uncomfortable to participate in learning.

If you're unsure whether your child should attend, it's best to err on the side of caution and keep them home. This helps prevent the spread of illness and gives your child the rest they need to recover.

Thank you for helping us keep our classrooms healthy and ready for learning!



We know carpool can be one of the trickiest parts of the school day, especially at the beginning of the year. Many parents have expressed concerns about the wait time, the flow of traffic, or other drivers not following the procedures. We hear you—and we want you to know that we are always working to improve the process so that it is safe, efficient, and fair for everyone.

That said, carpool only works well when we all do our part. Please help us by:

- Following staff directions and posted guidelines.
- Staying in your car and moving forward with the line.
- Avoiding shortcuts or double-parking, which slows everyone down.
- Modeling patience and kindness for our students—your children are watching how you handle these moments!

The beginning of the year always comes with a learning curve as new families adjust. Each week gets smoother, and your support, grace, and partnership make all the difference. Together, we can keep carpool safe and respectful while setting a positive example for our Firebirds. ❤️

carpool corner:
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE

Ignite Entrepreneurship Academy

FREE FAMILY SKATE NIGHT!

MONDAY
September 14,
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