

# IPPOLITO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

## Volunteers We Need You!

We are excited to be able to have parents on campus this year to volunteer! Volunteers are always welcomed. There are many ways you can volunteer;

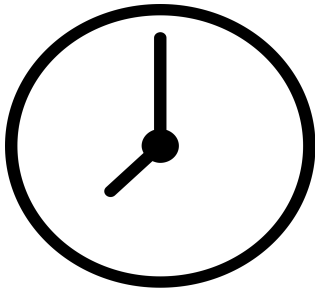
- Lunchroom Monitoring
- Media Center
- Reading with Students
- Campus Beautification
- Escorting Students to Class
- And so, so, so, much more!

### Volunteer Application:

<https://www.hillsboroughschools.org/Page/7346>

## COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

All Teachers are using Class Dojo to have frequent communication with parents. Download the App today to receive frequent updates from your child's teacher. Each child will also have a monthly calendar with a section for notes from the teacher/parent.



## SCHOOL HOURS

Gates Open: 7:15 AM  
Breakfast: 7:15-7:35 AM  
Instruction Begins: 7:40 AM  
Dismissal: 1:55 PM  
Monday Early Release: 12:55 PM

## ! ARRIVAL PROCEDURES

**AM Walkers/Bike Riders-** Walkers and bike riders should always use sidewalks and will need to enter the Ippolito Elementary campus through the gate by the front of the school. The gate opens at 7:15 AM.

**AM Car Riders-** The car line is in front of school on Falkenberg Road. All parents dropping off in a car must remain in the car and form a single line in the car loop in front of the school on Falkenberg Road. Cars will pull all the way to the end of the sidewalk before students exit the right side of vehicle next to the sidewalk. Staff and patrols will be on duty to assist beginning at 7:15 AM. Under no circumstances should students be dropped off in any other location, including other lanes of the parking lot or outside the school campus. Students cannot be safely supervised outside the designated drop off area. **The parking lot on Castle Creek Drive are only for staff, school busses, and daycare vehicles.**

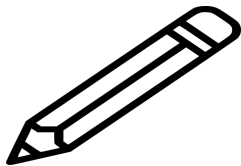
\*Please Note: All Hillsborough County public schools operate as closed-campuses. Parents and visitors are not permitted on campus without an appointment and a state-issued ID.

## DISMISSAL PROCEDURES !

**IMPORTANT: IF YOUR CHILD'S WAY OF TRANSPORTATION NEEDS TO CHANGED, A WRITTEN NOTE MUST BE SENT TO THE TEACHER. FOR SAFETY REASONS AND PER HCPS POLICY 5230, CHANGES CANNOT BE ACCEPTED OVER THE PHONE.**

**PM Walkers/Bike Riders-** Students will be dismissed from the double doors by the office. If you chose this option for your child, please know the expectation is that that students are "true" walkers/bikers. Parents who park on campus to pick up their children in an effort to skip the carline will be directed to exit the campus and circle around to join the carline. Please understand that students who have this marked as their dismissal location are dismissed freely to walk/bike home even in the event that a parent does not walk to school to meet them. **Parents meeting students who walk home must wait in the Parent Waiting Zone.** In the event of a thunderstorm (lightning or torrential rain, students will be held on campus and a guardian will need to sign them out). Please have a rainy day plan for back-up to pick up your child. Light rain will not constitute holding students on campus. The lot on **Castle Creek Road is for BUSES AND DAYCARE VEHICLES ONLY during dismissal.**

**PM Car Riders-** The car line is in front of the school on Falkenberg Road. All parents picking up in a car must remain in the car and form a single line. Do NOT double park, as we will not allow students to cross over to the inside lane. Students will be held in a designated area until their car arrives, and an adult or patrol will bring your child to the vehicle. Display the yellow hang tag containing your child's information when picking up your child(ren) to speed up the dismissal process. If you do not have your hangtag, staff will ask for identification prior to releasing student. **Parents will not be permitted to park and walk up to the front office. No child will be dismissed unless the parent pulls up in a car.** All of these procedures are put in place to be sure that we have the safety of all students in mind. Traffic will be heavy during the first few weeks as everyone adjusts to the arrival and dismissal procedures. Thank you for your patience and cooperation!



## SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

School supply lists can be located on our school website  
<https://www.mysdhc.org/ippolito>

If you are unable to purchase school supplies, please contact your child's teacher or School Social Worker, Joanne Ballard. You can email her at [joanne.ballard@hcps.net](mailto:joanne.ballard@hcps.net).

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## MANDATORY UNIFORM SCHOOL POLICY

Please dress your child in uniform *daily*. If students are out of uniform, they may be asked to call home or be given a uniform to wear for the day. On Fridays, students may wear Ippolito Elementary T-shirts. Our uniform allows for many student choices while ensuring that students are neatly and appropriately dressed for learning.

Ippolito uniform code is as follows:



**Tops:** Polo shirt in hunter green, white, or navy blue - solid colors only.

**Bottoms:** Khaki, navy blue and denim pants, shorts, skirts, capris, and jumpers - solid colors only.

**Footwear:** Regular shoes or sneakers with a rubber sole are acceptable.

The entire foot must be covered, and the shoe must be secured.

These items can be found at very reasonable prices at stores such as Target, Walmart, Old Navy, and any department stores. You are not limited to any brand of clothing. No holes or tears in jeans are allowed.

## FREE & REDUCED LUNCH

**A NEW FORM IS  
NEEDED EACH YEAR!**



A new application is required each school year to validate your child's eligibility. To avoid being charged for meals, please complete and return the free lunch form provided online.

Go to <http://www.sdhc.k12.fl.us> and choose Families > Student Nutrition > Meal Application

to complete the online application.

If you have other questions or need help completing your household application, contact the Healthy Meals Application Center at (813) 840-7066.

## SIGN IN & SIGN OUT PROCEDURES

### Tardy Sign-In:

Any student arriving to school after 7:40 am **MUST** be signed in by an adult. No student should be dropped off in front of the office and left unattended. The door is locked, and the driveway is full of traffic. These conditions create an unsafe environment for children. Parents must park in a "Visitor" parking spot while signing in their child. Any student will be marked tardy that is not in their assigned class by 7:40 am.

### Student Sign-Out:

**A valid picture ID is required for all student sign-outs.**

During school hours, the principal or designee shall permit a child to leave school only to the following adult(s):

- Legal guardian of the student
- Person listed on Emergency Card



## IMPORTANT SIGN OUTS

For the safety of our students, there will be **NO student sign-outs or changes to dismissal after 1:15 PM** (12:15 on Mondays). Parents are encouraged to schedule their child's appointments around school hours.

# PTA

Join Ippolito's PTA  
Only \$10

CashApp: \$IppolitoPTA

Venmo: @GraceIppolito-PTA

\*Cash or Check to PTA Ippolito