



News Release  
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### ICC set to Join the Fun at 'Independence Goes Back to School'

The Pirates will be on board for Wednesday's back to school extravaganza at Riverside Park. The USD 446 event, Independence Goes Back to School, is scheduled for August 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the park for all students returning to school this fall.

"We're so excited to be a part of this annual celebration," said Lori Shaw, ICC Foundation Director and sponsor of the college participation. "When we heard about the wonderful work the local school system was doing to make this event happen again, we couldn't help to volunteer to be a part of it. We're a community and what a wonderful way to celebrate our students going back to school; no matter what grade!"

ICC featured events include the Pirate Cheer Squad, under the leadership of Head Cheer and Dance Coach Tia Leach, will be passing out Pirate beads and offering face painting. Coach Elzie Anderson will have the Pirate football team on hand to host a ball toss game with students. Both groups will be available for photos with students.

The ICC Ambassadors, with Admissions Director Sally Ciufulescu, will be distributing free ICC balloons and popcorn and the Foundation will host a table for ICC alumni to sign up for the alumni newsletters.

Drawings for free Pirate wear will also be held and students will receive a free pass to attend the first Pirate home football game against Highland Community College on September 13<sup>th</sup>.