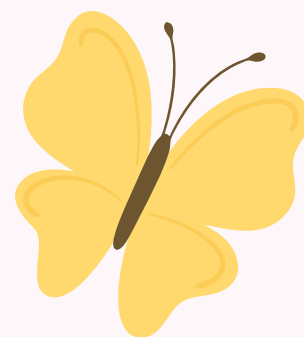




Andalusia Elementary School

Family Newsletter

April 17th, 2026



Happy Friday Andalusia Families!

What a week here at Andalusia!

Our 4th graders took their end of year Field Trip to Springfield! They visited museums and the state capitol. They had a great time, and learned a lot! They all came back to school the next day asking if they can do Field Trips every day! A special thank you to the 4th grade teachers, Mrs. Newell, Mrs. Cox, Mrs. VanSpeybroeck, and Mrs. Bennett, for their fundraising and organization of such a great trip.

4th grade students have been working hard on their state projects. These will be on display at the Book Fair Family Night!

Our Book Fair Family Night is next week on Tuesday from 5:00 to 6:30! The weather looks great, and we will have Kona Ice there as well. PTO will be selling Croc charms for \$4 and 5th grade will be selling Smens and Smencils. I know it is a busy time of year with spring sports and events, but we hope you can stop by for even just a short time!

There is a PTO meeting next Wednesday at 6:00 PM here at Andalusia. Come on out and see what PTO has going on! They are always looking for additional members.

Last, but not least, THANK YOU to all the families who came out for our first Spring Concert! I know it was hot, but it didn't stop our students from singing and performing their hearts out! Mrs. Hicks did such an outstanding job, and congratulations to her for pulling off such great shows!

Thank you for letting us be the present in your child's future!

Mrs. Saey



**Please
share!**



Congratulations!

**What makes these
students so great?**

Leaders!

Hard-Workers!

High Achievers!

Reliable!

High-Integrity!

Empathetic!



Illinois Principal Association

5th Grade Students

Mr. Cashtyn Calvert & Ms.

Vail Kuhlbeck!





FAMILY NIGHT

APRIL 21

5-6:30PM

Book Fair will be open!

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ICE!!

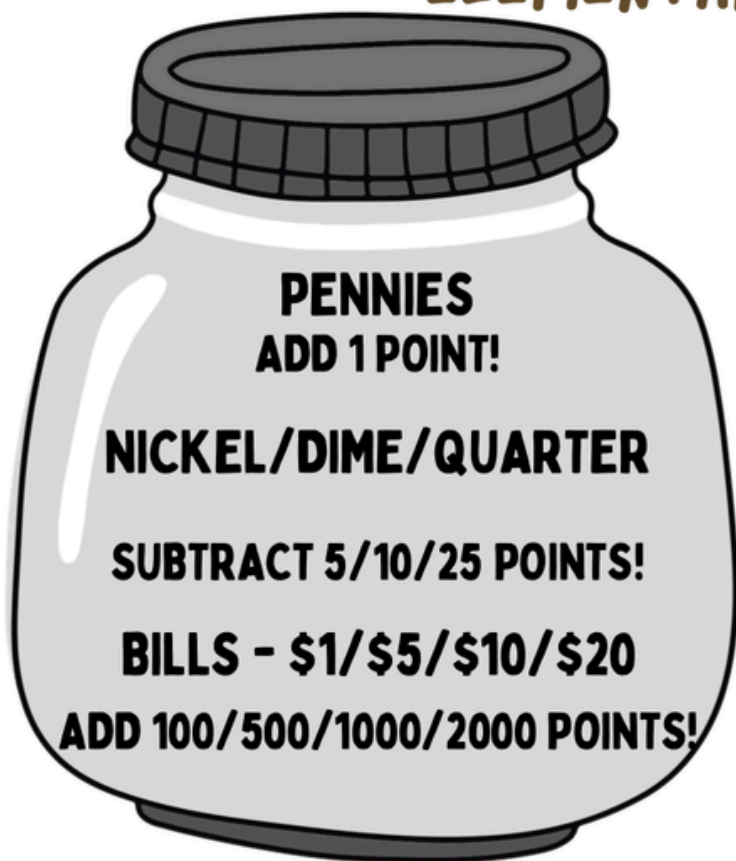
4TH
GRADE
PROJECTS



1, 2, 3, 4 - WE DECLARE A
PENNY WAR

APRIL 27 - MAY 1

**ANDALUSIA, ILLINOIS CITY, & TAYLOR RIDGE
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS**



THE RULES

Each class has their own jug for collecting money. Gain points by adding pennies and bills to your class jug and make the other classes lose points by adding silver coins to their jug.

The class with the most points will win a Popcorn Party!

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT THE ROCKRIDGE ELEMENTARY PTO



ANDALUSIA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Tuesday, April 28
11:30AM - 2:00PM

Kona Ice will be at our school!!!

**Order forms will
come home soon!**



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Tropical Harmony
Mango**



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FREE COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL SCREENINGS

April 17th, 2026
12:30-3:30

May 8th, 2026
12:30-3:30

Location:
Andalusia
Elementary School
112 7th Ave E
Andalusia, IL

**Scan the QR
code to schedule
your FREE
screening!**



Please call the Rock Island County
Regional Office of Education for any
questions or concerns.



309-736-1111

- For children ages 3, 4 and 5 (and not enrolled in Kindergarten)
- Preschool screening is used to help you learn more about your child's development.
- The screening provides FREE language, motor and cognitive skill assessments. Children should be screened once a year until starting Kindergarten.
- This screening also helps us identify students eligible for our preschool screenings



ROCKRIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

2026 PTO UPDATES

What is the PTO?

Parent Teacher Organization - a collaborative group of people working to improve the learning environment, provide resources, and build a positive school culture, often through fundraising, communication, and organizing events that benefit students and staff

Meeting Schedule

All Meetings Begin at 6:00PM

<u>Month</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Location</u>
January	28th	Andalusia
February	25th	Taylor Ridge
March	25th	Illinois City
April	22nd	Andalusia

Who can attend?

Parents, teachers, school staff, community members - anyone interested in supporting the Rockridge elementary schools and students



For more information, contact:

Mandy Parchert, Abbie Hicks, Megan Doane, or Natalie Sloan

APRIL



April 2026 Lunch Menu for All Buildings



**MENUS SUBJECT
TO CHANGE**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
30 No School Spring Break	31 No School Spring Break	1 No School Spring Break	2 No School Spring Break	3 No School Spring Break
6 No School - in lieu of P/T Conferences	7 <i>Breakfast for Lunch</i> Pancake Sausage Stick Hashbrown Patty Fruit Cup Granola Bar Milk	8 Chicken Patty on Bun Baked Chips Corn Mandarin Oranges Milk	9 Spaghetti w/ Meat Sauce Bread Stick Green Beans Applesauce Cup Milk	10 Cheeseburger on Bun Baked Beans Baked Chips Pears Cookie / Milk
13 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Pineapples Fruit Snack Milk	14 Walking Taco (Meat, Lettuce, Cheese, Tomatoes) Mixed Fruit Teddy Grahams / Milk	15 Mini Corn Dogs Baked Beans Goldfish Crackers Strawberries Milk	16 French Bread Pizza Cooked Carrots Apple Slices Cookie Milk	17 School Improvement Day 11:30am Dismissal
20 Bosco Sticks w/ Marinara Sauce Peas Fruit Cup / Milk	21 Pizza Crunchers Goldfish Crackers Corn Pears / Milk	22 Chicken Strips Mashed Potatoes Pineapples Cookie / Milk	23 Hamburger on Bun Baked Chips Green Beans Applesauce Cup / Milk	24 Uncrustable Baked Chips Carrots / Fruit Cup Milk
27 Hotdog on Bun French Fries Peaches Fruit Snacks / Milk	28 Pretzel Bites w/ Cheese Sauce Mixed Veggies Fruit Cup / Milk	29 Chicken Patty on Bun Baked Chips / Corn Applesauce Cup Milk	30 Crispito Refried Beans Pears Pudding Cup / Milk	1

Skim, Chocolate and 1% White milk served everyday



Vacation Bible School

Zion Lutheran Church of Taylor Ridge, just west of Edgington, is hosting Vacation Bible School this summer, a weeklong summer program that provides children with fun and engaging ways to learn about the Bible and the life of Jesus. Children age 3-going into 8th grade are invited to attend and learn Bible stories, sing songs, do crafts, play games, eat snacks, and more! It will be held June 15-19 8:30-11:30 a.m. at the Zion parish hall, 18121 134th Ave W, Taylor Ridge, To learn more, check out the VBS page on the church website at zionlutherantaylorridge.org/vbs2026/ or register at tinyurl.com/zionvbs2026.

Calendar of Events

Date	Description
4/20-4/24	Spring Book Fair!
4/21	Book Fair Family Night
4/27	Ag Day at the High School
4/28	Deputy Rasso's Crime Stoppers Kona Ice
5/8	School Improvement Day - 11:30 Dismissal
5/11	Rocket Gardens
5/12	Show Choir Visit
5/15	5 th Grade Field Trip

