JUNIOR HIGH ROCKET NEWSLETTER

MAY 3RD, 2026

WEEKLY REMINDERS:

Mon May 4th
- **Math MAP test**

Tue May 5th
- **Reading MAP test**
- **Track at Knoxville**

Wed May 6th
- **6th Grade Field Trip**

Thur May 7th

Fri May 8th
- **11:30 dismissal**
- **JH Dance**

Sat May 9th
- **JH Track at Home**

IMPORTANT LINKS

- Lumen
- JH Morning Announcements
- Student handbook
- Music Newsletter
- JH/HS Event Calendar

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Happy Teacher Appreciation Week! We are incredibly grateful for our dedicated staff and all they do to support our students every day.

This week is a busy one for our Rockets, as we have the MAP test. Track meets on Tuesday and Saturday, our 6th Grade Field Trip, as well as our JH Dance on Friday. Please remember that this Friday, May 8th, is a School Improvement Day with an 11:30 am dismissal.

For those who drop off their students, please ensure students are dropped off and picked up at the High School's main doors before and after school.

We are still seeking donations for our Spring MAP Growth Raffle through this Friday, May 8th, to celebrate our students' academic success. Additionally, our district is supporting the Ronald McDonald House of Iowa City with a donation drive for pop tabs and wish list items starting this Monday through May 15th.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Corlett



Jr. High
SPRING MAP GROWTH RAFFLE
DONATIONS NEEDED!

We are committed to encouraging and celebrating the incredible academic growth of our students! To recognize their hard work, success, and academic growth, along with motivating future academic success, the Jr. High faculty would like to provide a **MAP GROWTH RAFFLE**, and we need your assistance!

HOW IT WORKS

Students will earn one raffle ticket for every point of MAP growth.

More growth = more tickets = more chances to win!

MONETARY DONATIONS

Monetary contributions help us purchase: fun, incentive raffle prizes

Monetary donations can be cash or checks made out to Rockridge Jr. High.

DONATION IDEAS

- Candy, chips, snacks
- Fidgets, Pop-Its, stress balls
- pens, gel pens, mechanical pencils
- Stickers, mini notebooks, keychains
- Chapstick/lip gloss
- Lotions
- Socks
- Sports items
- Water bottles
- Blankets
- Bags
- Games
- Bluetooth speakers
- Art sets
- Books
- Wireless earbuds
- School spirit gear
- Phone accessories
- Gift baskets - no gift cards
- Drinks - no energy drinks

ITEMS AND DONATIONS CAN BE SENT WITH YOUR STUDENT AND/OR DROPPED OFF IN THE JR. HIGH OFFICE

BY FRIDAY, MAY 8TH!

Thank You for Supporting Our Students!

Your generosity helps us celebrate growth, encourage effort, and build a strong, motivated school community.

Under The Western Stars

FRIDAY, MAY 8TH: 5:30-7:30 PM
(DOORS OPEN AT 5:20 PM)

ADMISSION: $5



FIZZ & FLAVOR $1

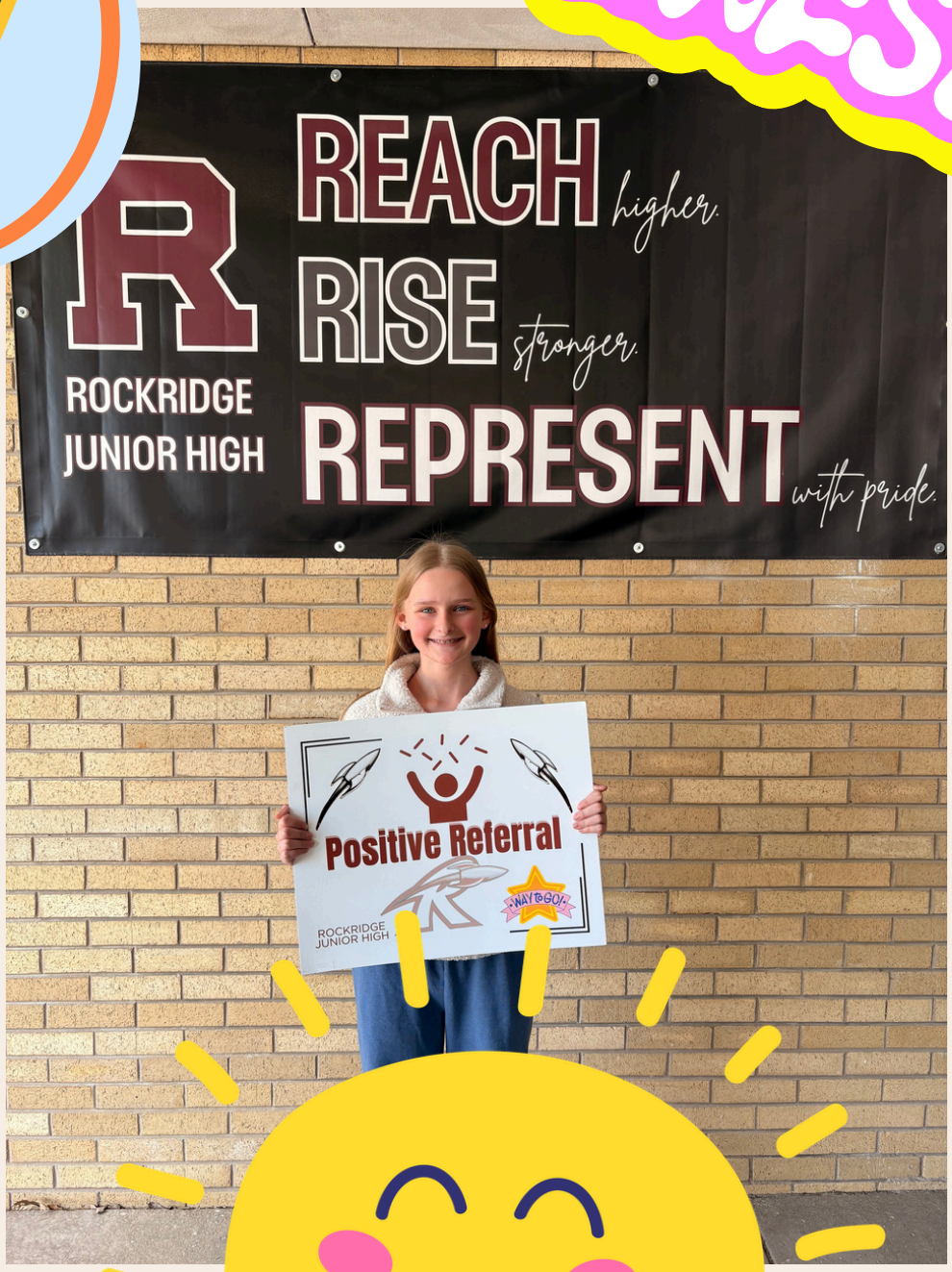
LLOYD'S CHUCKWAGON
CASH/CARD

SADDLE UP FOR A NIGHT
UNDER THE STARS

POSITIVE REFERRALS

WAY TO GO!

AWESOME



Help Show Your Support…

We are asking the Rockridge community to come together in showing support of The Ronald McDonald House of Iowa City. The Ronald McDonald House Charities of Eastern Iowa and Western Illinois helps families feel at home, even when they can't be. They provide food, lodging, and comfort to families when they must be away from home for needed medical care for their child or children. Several people from the Rockridge community have been blessed with the resources offered from The Ronald McDonald House. Let's rally together and help give back to this charity that helps so many families!

A donation drive is being held from May 4th through May 15th . All Rockridge schools will be accepting donations during this time. A donation to The Ronald McDonald House helps keep families close to each other and close to the care they need. Even the smallest donation can make a big impact. Whether you donate pop tabs or a wish list item, your support will be deeply appreciated by everyone who walks through their doors.

The elementary schools will be having a contest to see which classroom within each building can collect the most pop tabs. The classroom who collects the most tabs will win a popcorn party!

The wish list for needed items at The Ronald McDonald House can be found at

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Thank you in advance for your generosity and support.

Vacation Bible School 2026



Vacation Bible School is a weeklong summer program that provides children with fun and engaging ways to learn about the Bible and the life of Jesus.

Children are invited to attend and learn Bible stories, sing songs, do crafts, play games, eat snacks, and more!

Where? Zion Lutheran Church parish hall, 18121 134th Ave. W., Taylor Ridge (just across the parking lot from the main church)

When? June 15-19, 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Who? Children aged preschool-8th grade (grade in the fall). Preschoolers should be at least 3 years old and potty-trained.

Cost? Free!

How to register? Register online here, or go to tinyurl.com/zionvbs2026.You can also fill out and mail/email the registration form below.

Questions? Call 309.795.1063 or email zionlcms@juno.com.

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

ALL DAY. EVERY DAY

It adds up...

EVERY Tardy

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EVERY Absence

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

ONE DAY	→ ONE WEEK	→ ONE MONTH	→ ONE YEAR
15 MINUTES	= 1.25 HOURS	= DAYS 1	= DAYS 8
30	= 2.5 HOURS	= DAYS 2	= DAYS 16

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS!

Rockridge Junior High School
Upcoming Events

May 6, 2026	6th Grade Nahant Marsh Field Trip
May 8, 2026	JH Spring Dance at 5:30 pm
May 8, 2026	School Improvement Day- 11:30 Dismissal
May 18, 2026	JH Spring Band and Choir Concert
May 21, 2026	8th Grade Great America Field Trip
May 22, 2026	6th and 7th Grade end of the year Field Trips; 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony
May 25, 2026	No School Memorial Day
May 26, 2026	Last day of Student Attendance



CLICK HERE FOR THE DISTRICT CALENDAR!