

Taylor Ridge Elementary School

Updates and Information

Happy Friday, TRE Families and Friends!

Fire safety day was a big hit today! Thank you to all of our volunteers for helping to educate our students through exciting and engaging activities!

Report Cards were sent out today by email.

Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up in just under two weeks! Please connect with your child's classroom teacher if you have not yet set a conference time.

PTO Photo Mini Session info is located on a flyer below!

As always, if you have any questions for us at TRE, feel free to contact the office at (309) 793-8070 or tgoben@rr300.org

-Mr. Goben

Important Dates for this Week / Near

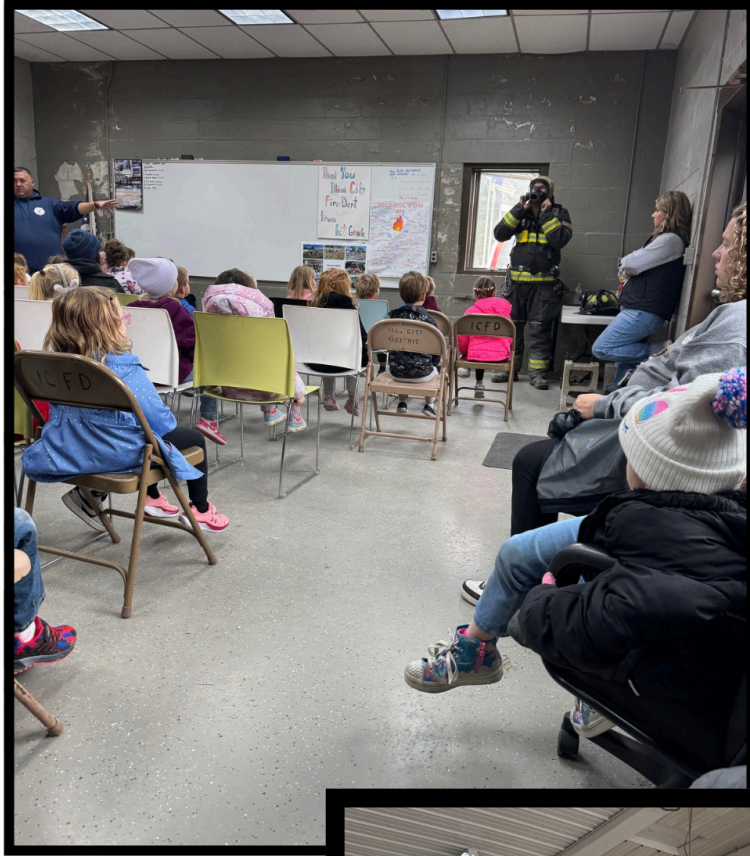
Future

Report Cards - 10/16

Thursday, 10/29 will be a 1:30 dismissal day due to parent teacher conferences taking place from 3:00-8:00 Thursday Night.

No School on Friday 10/30. Conferences will take place 8:00-1:00.

No School on Monday 11/2





November 2026 Breakfast Menu for All Buildings

**MENUS SUBJECT
TO CHANGE**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 No School In lieu of P/T Conferences	3 Pop-Tart Yogurt	4 Mini Pancakes Syrup	5 Bagel & Cream Cheese	6 Donut
9 Scrambled Eggs & Bacon	10 Biscuits & Gravy	11 Breakfast Pizza 	12 French Toast Sticks Syrup	13 Muffin String Cheese
16 Mini Pancakes Syrup	17 Cheese Omelet Toast	18 Bagel & Cream Cheese	19 Breakfast Sandwich Bacon, Egg & Cheese	20 Cereal Bar String Cheese
23 Breakfast Burrito 	24 Scrambled Eggs & Bacon	25 No School Thanksgiving Break	26 No School 	27 No School Thanksgiving Break
30 French Toast Sticks Syrup	1	2 Served Daily: cereal, toast, fruit or juice & milk	3	4

Skim, Chocolate and 1% White milk served everyday



November 2026 Lunch Menu for All Buildings

Skim, Chocolate and 1% White milk served everyday



**MENUS SUBJECT
TO CHANGE**

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
2 No School In lieu of P/T Conferences	3 Bosco Stick / Marinara Cooked Carrots Pineapple Pudding Cup Milk	4 Chicken Patty on Bun Baked Chips Green Beans Mixed Fruit Milk 	5 Crispito Chips & Salsa Corn Mandarin Oranges Milk	6 Hamburger on Bun French Fries Fruit Cup Teddy Grahams Milk
9 Chicken Nuggets Mixed Vegetables Peaches Sherbet Cup Milk	10 Mini Corn Dog Baked Beans Goldfish Crackers Mandarin Oranges Milk	11 French Bread Pizza Side Salad (dressing) Cantaloupe Teddy Grahams Milk	12 Meatball Sub w/ Mozzarella Cheese Baked Chips Green Beans Grapes / Milk	13 Tomato Soup Grilled Cheese Sandwich Crackers Apple Slices Milk
16 Pizza Crunchers Goldfish Crackers Corn Pears Milk	17 Chicken & Noodles Mashed Potatoes Peaches / Dinner Roll Pumpkin Dessert Milk	18 Chicken Strips Cooked Carrots Fruit Cup Cookie Milk	19 Rocket Rite on Bun Baked Chips Baked Beans Pineapple Milk	20 School Improvement Day 11:30 am Dismissal
23 Goulash w/ Meat Sauce Bread Stick Peas Pears / Milk	24 Hotdog on Bun Tater Tots Mandarin Oranges Cookie / Milk	25 No School Thanksgiving Break	26 No School 	27 No School Thanksgiving Break
30 Cheeseburger on Bun French Fries Peaches Fruit Snack / Milk	1	2 A reimbursable lunch menu consists of 5 offered components which are set by the new USDA meal pattern in certain varieties and portion sizes determined by student age. Meat/Meat Alternate minimum, Grain minimum, Vegetable, Fruit, Fluid Milk	3	4

Winter Mini Photo Sessions

with Missy Myers: Capturing Fireflies

When: November 14th & 15th

15 minute slots from 10am-4pm

Where: The Hicks Farm

7914 134th Ave W

Taylor Ridge, IL 61284

Cost: \$100 per time slot with proceeds
benefiting the Rockridge Elementary PTO

Sessions must be paid in full at the time of booking and are non-refundable.
Venmo (@for-freckles-sake) or checks to Rockridge PTO are accepted.

Time slots are available at:
[Sign-Up Link](#)

Please direct questions to: capturingff@gmail.com
ahicks@rr300.org

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<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4BADAC2EA6F8C25-66709638-winter#/>

2026-2027 Rocket Fuel Wrestling Club

Sign up date: Wednesday Oct. 21, 2026

Where at: High School Lobby

What time: 5:30-7:00pm

Ages: K-4th Grades

Cost: \$60 per wrestler. This includes a club shirt and free entry into Rockridge tournament.

GENERAL INFORMATION

* Season will begin on Wednesday, Nov 4th and run until March 27th.

* Practices will be held on Monday's and Wednesday's from 5:45-7:15 in the Jr. High Gym.

(Optional Friday practice will begin after New Year)

* Open to both boys and girls. No experience needed.

* If you have any questions, please contact Jason Buser (309)781-7217, Chance Stewart (309) 558-7646, Steve Woeckener (309)737-8198 or email Rocketfuelwc@gmail.com.



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TR/IC SEL NEWSLETTER

Responsibility

October 20

Kindergarten

Following directions can be challenging for young students! An important way we will practice Responsibility in Kindergarten this month is learning to follow directions. Strong Listening is foundational for following directions. When we listen with our whole selves, following directions (and practicing Responsibility) becomes much easier!

First Grade

Focusing can be a challenge and takes practice! In 1st grade, we are learning focusing strategies alongside Responsibility. Focusing on a task, instructions, or even a conversation helps us practice Responsibility and be more successful.

Second Grade

While practicing Responsibility this month, 2nd grade students will be focusing on the idea of engagement. This means being an active participant in school, leading and contributing when collaborating in groups, getting involved in school and community groups, and building positive relationships. When we are actively engaged in our school and community, we demonstrate Responsibility.

Overview

This month we are talking about Responsibility. One way to define Responsibility is "taking action and understanding the impact of our choices." Taking action can mean doing the right thing or completing the tasks you have been assigned. Understanding the impact of our choices means that our actions matter. Positive and responsible actions can help people and irresponsible actions can hurt others. Responsibility is 1 of 3 traits we will focus on throughout the year that helps students Be Strong.

Conversation Starters

- Can you share or show what it means to be Responsible?
- What are strategies you can use to help you focus and practice being responsible?
- What does it mean to you to be engaged in school?

Thank you,
Mrs. Sywassink & Mrs. Stice



ROCKRIDGE FFA

HAUNTED GREENHOUSE

OCTOBER 30TH

Please join us for a spooky (But
kid-friendly) walk-through of
the greenhouse!

In Collaboration with
the Rockridge PTO

TRUNK - OR - TREAT

5:00 - 7:30 PM

Located in the Rockridge
High School Staff Lot
/Rockridge Greenhouse



Rockridge PTO invites you to...

TRUNK OR TREAT

Friday, October 30

Starts at 5:00PM

**@Rockridge High School Bus
Barn Parking Lot**



**Want to host a trunk?
Click here or scan below**



Haunted Green House hosted by Rockridge FFA

Parents!!

Don't
Forget!

Do you have a kindergarten or 2nd grader?

- Illinois school physicals and updated vaccines are due by October 15, 2026 for all kindergarten and new to Illinois students.
- Dental exam is due by May 15, 2027 for kindergarten and 2nd grade
- Vision Exams are due for Kindergarten.

Is your student new to Illinois?

- Our health office needs a copy of an Illinois school physical form that was completed within one year of starting school by October 15
- If you are new to Illinois please turn in a current eye exam from an eye doctor.

Contact Jessica Stubbs (Jstubbs@rr300.org)

ROCKRIDGE

School Breaks Planner

2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

Labor Day	3 DAY WEEKEND SEPT 5-7 - NO SCHOOL
Columbus Day	3 DAY WEEKEND OCT 10-12 - NO SCHOOL
P/T Conferences	4 DAY WEEKEND OCT 30-NOV 2 - NO SCHOOL
Thanksgiving Break	5 DAY WEEKEND NOV 25-29 - NO SCHOOL
Christmas Break	14 DAY BREAK DEC 23-JAN 5 - NO SCHOOL
MLK Day	3 DAY WEEKEND JAN 16-18 - NO SCHOOL
President's Day	3 DAY WEEKEND FEB 13-15 - NO SCHOOL
Spring & Easter Break	8 DAY BREAK MAR 22-29 - NO SCHOOL

**2026-2027 SCHOOL CALENDAR
ROCKRIDGE COMMUNITY UNIT DISTRICT 300**

August 12.....	No School Teacher Institute
August 13.....	No School Teacher Institute
August 14.....	Classes Begin – 1:30 dismissal
September 7.....	No School – Labor Day
September 11.....	Quarter 1 Mid-Term
September 25.....	School Improvement Day – 11:30 dismissal
October 9.....	End of First Grading Period
October 9.....	School Improvement Day – 11:30 dismissal
October 12.....	No School – Columbus Day
October 16.....	Quarter 1 Report Cards Sent Home
October 29.....	Parent-Teacher Conferences-3:00–8:00 p.m.
October 29.....	1:30 dismissal
October 30.....	Parent-Teacher Conferences-8:00–1:00 p.m.
October 30.....	No School – P/T Conferences
November 2.....	No School – in lieu of P/T Conferences
November 13.....	Quarter 2 Mid-Term
November 25-27.....	No School – Thanksgiving Break
December 11.....	School Improvement Day – 11:30 dismissal
December 22.....	End of Second Grading Period – 1:30 dismissal
December 23-January 5.....	No School – Holiday Break
January 6.....	No School Teacher Institute
January 7.....	School Resumes
January 11.....	Quarter 2 Report Cards Sent Home
January 15.....	School Improvement Day – 11:30 dismissal
January 18.....	No School – M.L. King’s Birthday
February 5.....	Quarter 3 Mid-Term
February 12.....	School Improvement Day – 11:30 dismissal
February 15.....	No School – President’s Day
March 12.....	End of Third Grading Period
March 19.....	School Improvement Day – 11:30 dismissal
March 19.....	Quarter 3 Report Cards Sent Home
March 22-March 29.....	No School – Spring Break/Easter Break
April 9.....	School Improvement Day – 11:30 dismissal
April 9.....	Quarter 4 Mid-Term
April 23.....	School Improvement Day – 11:30 dismissal
May 16.....	High School Graduation – 2:00
May 25.....	End of Fourth Grading Period (tentative) – 1:30 dismissal
May 26.....	No School Teacher Institute (tentative)
May 27, 28.....	Emergency Days (tentative)
June 1.....	Quarter 4 Report Cards Sent Home (tentative)

Quarterly Attendance Report Periods are as follows:

NUMBER OF STUDENT DAYS	
DATES	SCHOOL IS IN SESSION
August 14 – October 9	37
October 13 – December 22	46
January 7 – March 12	45
March 15 – May 25	46

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