

Taylor Ridge Elementary School

Updates and Information

Happy Friday TRE Families and Friends.

Thank you for attending our family night and supporting our students and school through participation and shopping the BookFair! We greatly appreciate your willingness and generosity, helping us to continue to offer fun and exciting things for students in our school.

In two weeks, we will have a PTO Penny War taking place across all of our elementary schools! Kona Ice will be visiting our building on Thursday, April 30th.

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.

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

-Mr. Goben

Important Dates for this Week/Near Future

Kona Ice 4/30

Early Dismissal 5/8

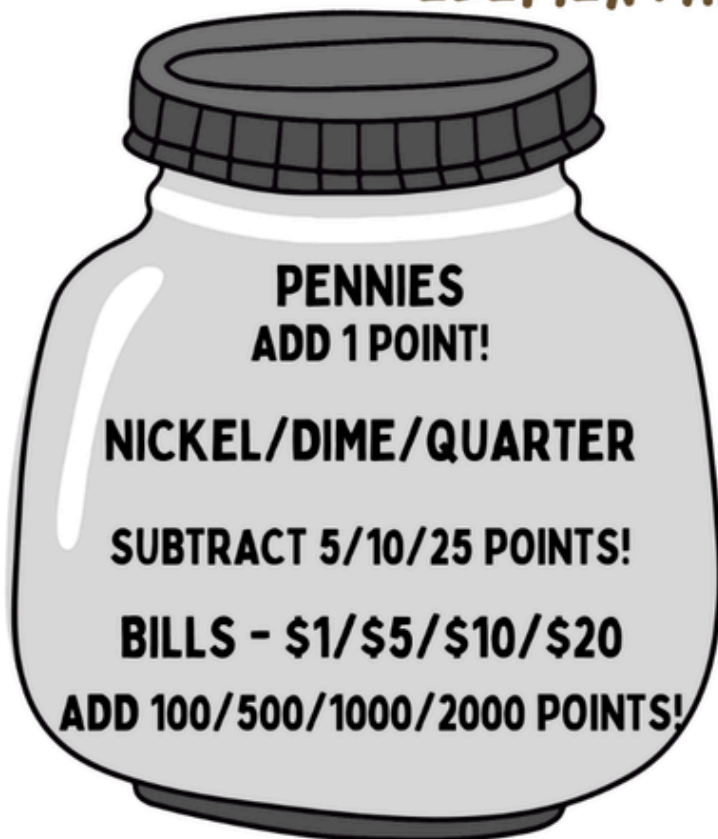
Field Day - 5/26 @ Illinois City Elem.



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

APRIL 27 - MAY 1

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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



TAYLOR RIDGE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Thursday, April 30
11:30AM - 1:00PM

Kona Ice will be at our school!!



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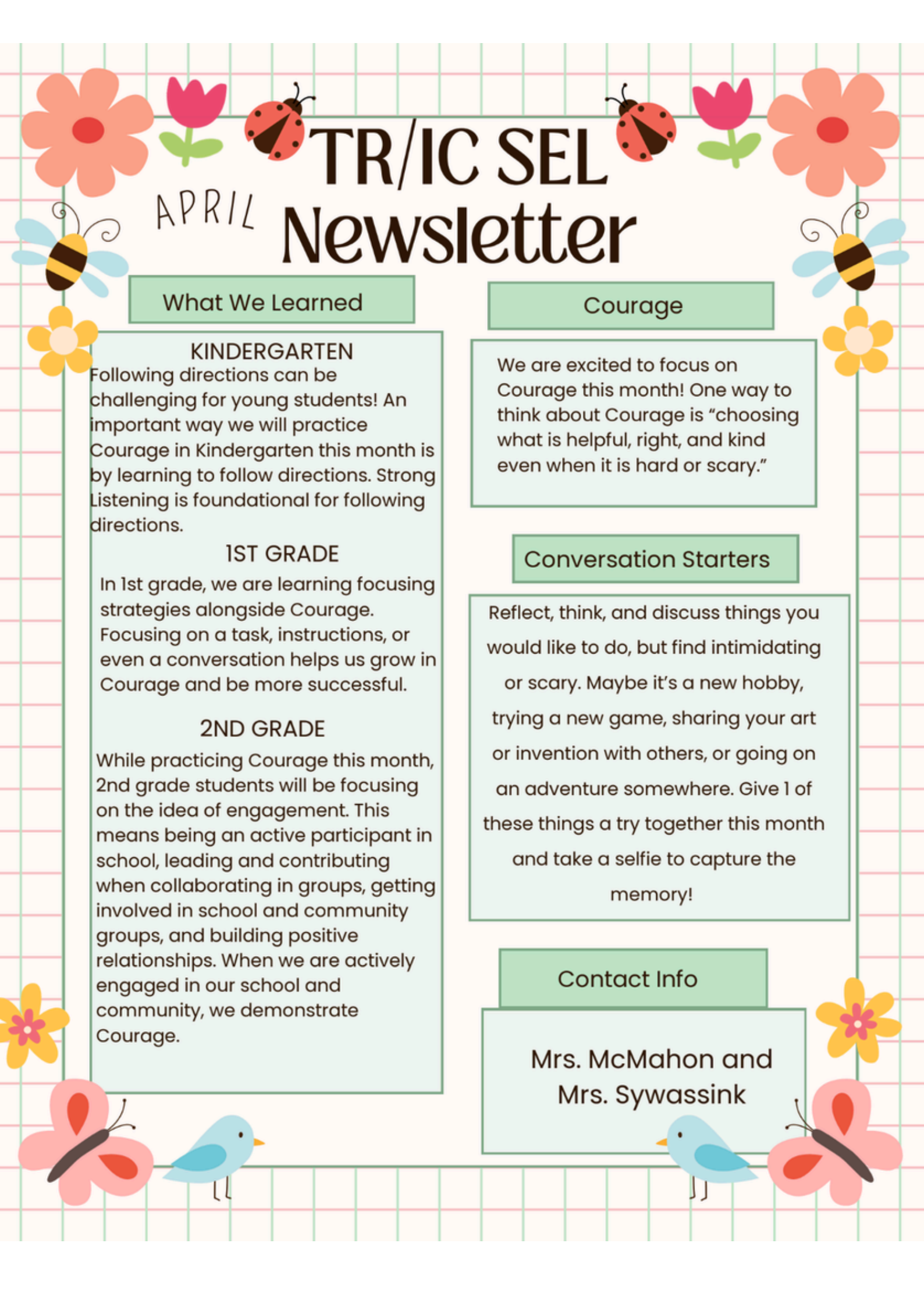
FRUIT SMOOTHIE
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Strawberry
Strawberry Banana
Tropical Harmony
Mango



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TR/IC SEL Newsletter

APRIL

What We Learned

KINDERGARTEN

Following directions can be challenging for young students! An important way we will practice Courage in Kindergarten this month is by learning to follow directions. Strong Listening is foundational for following directions.

1ST GRADE

In 1st grade, we are learning focusing strategies alongside Courage. Focusing on a task, instructions, or even a conversation helps us grow in Courage and be more successful.

2ND GRADE

While practicing Courage 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 Courage.

Courage

We are excited to focus on Courage this month! One way to think about Courage is "choosing what is helpful, right, and kind even when it is hard or scary."

Conversation Starters

Reflect, think, and discuss things you would like to do, but find intimidating or scary. Maybe it's a new hobby, trying a new game, sharing your art or invention with others, or going on an adventure somewhere. Give 1 of these things a try together this month and take a selfie to capture the memory!

Contact Info

Mrs. McMahon and
Mrs. Sywassink

**Rockridge School
District #300**

KINDERGARTEN INTEREST FORM

**PLEASE FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING FORM IF YOU HAVE
A STUDENT TURNING 5 ON OR BEFORE SEPT. 1ST!**

**This will help us to connect
with you regarding
Registration and
Kindergarten Roundup!**





April 2026 Breakfast Menu for All Buildings

*Served Daily: cereal, toast, fruit or juice & milk

**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 Cheese Omelet Toast	8  Muffin String Cheese	9 Breakfast Bagel Pizza Yogurt	10 Mini Pancakes Sugar Free Syrup
13 Biscuits & Gravy	14 Breakfast Burrito	15 French Toast Sticks Sugar Free Syrup	16 Scrambled Eggs & Bacon	17 Breakfast Sandwich (Bacon, Egg & Cheese)
20 Donut Yogurt	21 Mini Waffles Sugar Free Syrup	22 Breakfast Bagel Pizza Yogurt	23 Cheese Omelet Toast	24 Muffin String Cheese
27 Mini Pancakes Sugar Free Syrup	28 Scrambled Eggs & Bacon	29 Breakfast Burrito	30 French Toast Sticks Sugar Free Syrup	1 

Skim, Chocolate and 1% White milk served everyday



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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 

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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





NURSE NOTES



HEALTH REQUIREMENTS REMINDER

SOME GRADES STILL HAVE DENTAL DUE THIS YEAR
AND AN EARLY NOTIFICATION FOR NEXT YEAR'S REQUIREMENTS

DENTAL EXAMS **THIS SCHOOL
YEAR ARE DUE BY MAY 15, 2026**

- KINDERGARTEN
- 2ND GRADE
- 6TH GRADE
- 9TH GRADE

**SCHOOL PHYSICALS DUE IN AUGUST
FOR 2026-27 SCHOOL YEAR**

- PREK
- KINDERGARTEN (VACCINES REQUIRED)
- 6TH GRADE (VACCINES REQUIRED)
- 9TH GRADE
- 12TH GRADE STUDENTS
REQUIRE MCV4 VACCINE

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



Join the Rockets Team!

**Teachers, Paraprofessionals,
and Kitchen Staff!**



Teachers - \$130.00/day

Paraprofessionals - \$15.00/hr

Kitchen Staff - \$15.00/hr

**Flexible days! You decide when you want to or are
able to! Staff will prepare everything for you to
jump in that day! Breakfast and lunch is free
when you sub. Substitutes also receives passes
to athletic events! Email Dawn Finley
(dfinley@rr300.org)**

