



Rosa Parks Kindergarten Academy

January 16, 2026

No School on Monday, January 19!

RPKA Families,

On Monday, January 19th, we will not have school in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. School will resume on Tuesday, January 20th.

Tuesday, January 20th, is also our 100th day of school. Students may dress up as if they are 100 years old! We will be celebrating being 100 days smarter with lots of special events in our classrooms. It's always fun to see what students think they might look like when they are 100.

Our students had a royally good time celebrating the end of our unit on Kings and Queens. Be sure to ask your child what they have learned about Kings and Queens. Check out our pictures below to see all the fun we had!

The intra-district transfer window is now open. Please scroll down to find out more about requesting a school other than your child's home school for first grade. Please call our office if you have questions about which elementary school your child will attend next year.

Thank you for sending in pictures of your student practicing school routines. During morning announcements we have shared pictures of students reading before bed, waiting at the bus stop, making their beds, and more! It has been so fun showcasing students practicing routines at home. If you haven't had a chance to send us a picture of your child to share, please do! Please send Mrs. Motley a picture of your child practicing routines at home. The students love seeing their pictures shared on our morning announcements! Pictures can be emailed to dmotley@perryschools.org or you may send them to Mrs. Motley through ParentSquare.

Respectfully,

CELEBRATING THE 100TH DAY OF SCHOOL!

100th

DAY OF SCHOOL!
JANUARY 20TH

DRESS LIKE YOU'RE
100 years old



DECEMBER SHINING STARS!



Congratulations to our December Shining Stars! These students stood out for living out our motto of "Treat People Right and Do the Right Thing!" We are so proud of our Shining Stars!

SAVE THE DATE- FAMILY GLOW PARTY!

Rosa Parks Kindergarten Academy

GLOW PARTY

February 19, 2026

6:00-7:30

DINNER
JIMMY JOHN'S SANDWICHES,
CHIPS, WATER, COOKIE PROVIDED

GAMES
FACE PAINTING
ART SHOW
SEE YOUR CHILD'S ARTWORK

DANCE PARTY
AMY'S HOT COCOA
FOR PURCHASE

Rosa Parks Kindergarten Academy

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February 19, 2026

6:00-7:30

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JIMMY JOHN'S
SANDWICHES, CHIPS,
WATER, COOKIE PAWL
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ZUKCAWL HMUHSAKNAK**

LAAMPUI

**AMY'S HOT COCOA
CAWK KHAWHASI**

FIESTA BRILLANTE

19 de Febrero, 2026

6:00-7:30

CENA GRATIS

SANDWICHES DE JIMMY JOHN'S,
PAPITAS Y GALLETAS

JUEGOS

PINTACARITAS

VER EL ARTE

DE SU HIJO/A

BAILE

**CHOCOLATE CALIENTE
PARA COMPRAR**



YEARBOOKS
ON SALE!
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INTRA-DISTRICT TRANSFER WINDOW OPEN THROUGH FEB. 13

INTRA-DISTRICT TRANSFER REQUESTS FOR THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

For elementary and incoming kindergarten students **currently living in Perry Township**, Intra-District Transfer applications will be accepted **January 5–February 13, 2026**. Applications will only be accepted after this period from families that are new to Perry Township. Acceptance letters will be mailed to households after March 13, 2026. If a parent chooses not to accept the Intra-district transfer for the 2026–2027 school year, they must notify the office of Assistant Superintendent for Foundational Learning at The Perry Township Education Center no later than April 30, 2026. We anticipate that each Kindergarten Academy will be able to accept up to 20 transfer students. **Intra-District Transfers are good for as long as you are in the school. A new form will need to be submitted when going into the 6th grade, or from kindergarten into 1st grade. Current transfer students do not need to complete a new form.** Requests must be turned into the requested school by February 13, 2026.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION INFORMATION

2026 – 2027 Kindergarten Registration Information

Kindergarten registration will begin on January 5, 2026 for those students who will be entering Kindergarten in the Fall of 2026. The student must turn **5 years old on or before August 1, 2026** in order to register. There is a waiver process for children with a birthdate after August 1st up to August 15th. The Kindergarten Academy your student will attend is determined by your residence only and not where other siblings may be attending. **To determine which Kindergarten Academy your child will attend, please go to the Perry Township website at [perryschools.org](https://www.perryschools.org). Go to the For Parents tab, click on Enrollment, and Boundary Map. <https://www.perryschools.org/for-parents/enrollment/>**

Guidelines for School Closings



GUIDELINES FOR SCHOOL CLOSINGS

ANNOUNCEMENTS – ParentSquare an electronic messaging system, will be used for notification of school delays or closings. Telephone calls will start being placed at 5:15 a.m. to all employees and families. Television and radio stations will also have the information on a closing or delay regarding Perry Township Schools.

TWO-HOUR DELAY -- In past school years there have been instances when school has been closed only to find that a short delay in the start could have changed circumstances dramatically. In some circumstances, the school starting time will be delayed by two (2) hours. This will give school officials additional time to evaluate weather and road conditions. The media would be notified of a two-hour delay by 5:15 a.m. on the morning of the delay. The two-hour delay announcement could result in the following:

1. A second announcement by 7:30 a.m. closing school completely
2. An actual delay of school opening by two hours, or an E-Learning Day

In the event of a two-hour delay, **school buses would operate on their same route, except it would be two hours later than normal.** The dismissal time at the end of the day would be normal unless weather conditions dictate differently.

Any early **dismissal** of students due to inclement weather will be announced through ParentSquare. The most likely scenario would be a ½ hour release of secondary students and the dismissal for elementary students on their regular time schedules.

During inclement weather, reasonable effort will be made to keep school in session. As always, the school district's first concern is for the safety of students and employees. Parents are urged to develop alternate plans in advance to deal with inclement weather and the school scheduling revisions that accompany inclement weather situations.

Kindergarten Routine Hacks: Simple Tips for Smoother Days

Scan the QR code to watch a short video.



Share your pictures with us through emailing dmotley@perryschools.org or ParentSquare Demi Motley, Behavior Support Specialist, RPKA

Look in your child's take home kit they received at the beginning of the year for more activities. QR codes with short videos are in the kit to help you support your child at home. Thank you for all of your support at home to help your child grow this year.

Smoother Days with Mrs. Motley

If you haven't had a chance, please scan the QR code and listen to Mrs. Motley's SIMPLE TIPS FOR SMOOTHER DAYS! Mrs. Motley shares some routine hacks to help your student be ready to have fun and learn each day at school. Be sure to share a picture of your child practicing routines. Send pictures to dmotley@perryschools.org. We can't wait to share them on our announcements!

Second Step Curriculum Goals

Goals of the Second Step Program:

- Growth Mindset & Goal Setting
 - Learn strategies to pay attention and manage distractions
 - Develop an "I CAN" attitude
 - Set and work toward goals
- Emotional Management
 - Identify & label emotions
 - Learn & use strategies to calm big emotions
- Empathy & Kindness
 - Recognize kindness & act kindly
 - See things from someone else's perspective
 - Build friendships
- Problem-Solving
 - Identify and solve problems

Problem-Solving Steps



Upcoming Events

January 16- Royalty Day- Students may wear fancy clothes to school!

January 19- Martin Luther King Jr Day / NO SCHOOL

January 20- 100th Day of School

February 16- Presidents' Day / NO SCHOOL

February 19- Glow Party at RPKA from 6-7:30

Second Semester Menu



KINDERGARTEN ACADEMY LUNCH MENU 2025-2026 2nd SEMESTER

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	Boneless Chicken Wings with WG Dinner Roll ★	Beef Walking Taco ★	Mozzarella Sticks with Marinara Sauce ▶	Hamburger or Cheeseburger on WG Bun ★	Cheese ▶ or Pepperoni 4x6" Pizza
	Mashed Potatoes	Corn or Refried Beans	Green Beans ^P	Potato Emojis	Broccoli or Baby Carrots with Dip
Week 2	Chicken Tenders with WG Dinner Roll ★	Bosco Sticks with Marinara Sauce ▶	Hot Dog on WG Bun ★	French Toast Sticks with Eggstravaganza ^P ★	Cheese ▶ or Pepperoni Pizza Slice
	Mashed Potatoes	Green Beans ^P	Baked Beans	Seasoned Potatoes	Broccoli or Baby Carrots with Dip
Week 3	Chicken Patty on WG Bun ★	Fish Sticks with WG Dinner Roll ★	Yogurt with Cheese Stick and Muffin ▶	Chicken Nuggets with WG Dinner Roll ★	Tony's Personal Pan Cheese ▶ or Peppperoni Pizza
	Baked Beans	French Fries	Baby Carrots with Dip	Green Beans ^P	Broccoli or Baby Carrots with Dip
WG = whole grain ▶ = vegetarian (no meat) ★ = vegetarian version/alternative available (see detailed menu) ^P = contains pork		Fruit and Low Fat/ Skim Milk offered daily (100% juice offered as a fruit option on Fridays)		Second entrée options: M/W/F PBJ Uncrustable (2.6 oz) with Cheese Stick and Cheez-Its or Cheddar Goldfish ▶ T/TH PBJ Uncrustable (2.6 oz) with Cheese Stick and Grahans ▶	

Students must take 3 of the 5 food components (one must be a fruit or vegetable) to be considered a reimbursable meal

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Menus subject to change. The institution is an equal opportunity provider.





KINDERGARTEN ACADEMY BREAKFAST MENU 2025-2026 1st SEMESTER

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	WG Sweet Bread ▶ (Banana, Pumpkin, Blueberry, or Zucchini)	Breakfast Pizza Bagel ★ P	WG Donut Holes in a Cup ▶	Otis Spunkmeyer WG Muffin ▶ (2 oz)	Pillsbury Mini Cinni ▶ (Caramel or Cinnamon)
Week 2	WG Pop Tart ▶ (1 ct)	WG Breakfast Bar ▶ (Dunkin' Sticks)	Yogurt Smoothie ▶	UBR Bar ▶	Pillsbury Muffin ▶
WG = whole grain ▶ = vegetarian (no meat) ★ = vegetarian version/alternative available (see detailed menu) P = contains pork		Fruit, Juice, & Low Fat/Skim Milk offered daily		Students must take 3 of the 4 food components (one must be a fruit or juice) to be considered a reimbursable meal	

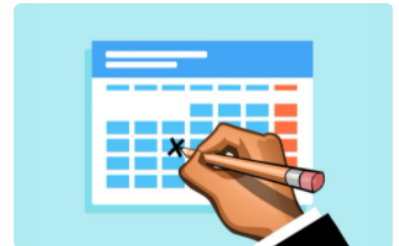
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**A big THANK YOU
to the Cavity Factory for the delicious
cookies shared with our staff!**

Save the Date!

Please be sure to open the SAVE THE DATE document to see the activities and events we have planned for this exciting school year. This link includes English, Chin and Spanish translations. **The SAVE THE DATE document has been updated to reflect that our Holiday program will be held on Thursday, December 18.**



Get Involved!



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WHEN SCHOOL IS OUT, THE Y IS IN!

PRESIDENTS' DAY CAMP BAXTER YMCA

Camp activities include creative arts & crafts, tasty cooking projects, exciting science experiments, and so much more all in a space where your child will make new friends and try new things!

- WHEN:** Monday, February 16
- TIME:** 6:30 AM - 6:00 PM
- DAILY FEES:** \$50/Y Members, \$60/All Others
- LOCATION:** BAXTER YMCA
7900 S. Shelby St.
Indianapolis, IN 46227
- REGISTER:** Register online at
INDYMCA.org/YouthDevelopment
or scan the QR code.



YOUTH DEVELOPMENT YMCA
INDYMCA.org/YouthDevelopment | (317) 484-9622



Help Us Understand How Families Make PreK Decisions in Indiana

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Did you make PreK decisions for your child in the past few years?

We're inviting parents and guardians to participate in an interview about how Indiana families decide **whether**—and **where**—to enroll their child in PreK.

You May Qualify if You

- Are a parent or guardian of a child currently in kindergarten during the 2024–2025 or 2025–2026 school year.
- Had a child either who attended PreK or who did not attend PreK.
- Were either **eligible or not eligible** for Indiana's PreK vouchers (e.g., On My Way Pre-K).

Your Privacy Matters

- Interviews will be **audio recorded** for research purposes and transcribed.
- All recordings will be **permanently deleted** after transcription.
- All data will be anonymized and stored securely. **No personal identifiers will be included** in publications or shared beyond the research team.
- You may choose to have your camera on or off during the interview.

Participation Involves

- **A 1-hour virtual interview** via Zoom or phone.
Location: Zoom or phone call
- Participants will **receive a \$20 gift card** as a thank-you for their time and contribution after the completion of the interview.

Potential Benefits

While there are no direct benefits to you, your input can help researchers better understand PreK access, decision-making, and voucher policies—and help improve programs for families across Indiana.

Interested in Participating?

- Scan the QR code to express your interest
- **Prefer email?**
Contact me at:
Jiyeon.lee@bsu.edu



IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS,

Please contact an Assistant Professor/Principal Investigator, Jiyeon Lee at 765-285-3706, email Jiyeon.lee@bsu.edu.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to share your family's experiences. Your participation will contribute to meaningful changes in PreK access related policies and PreK programs in Indiana.

UINDY COMMUNITY LITERACY DAY

ONE COMMUNITY. MANY STORIES.



CELEBRATE STORIES. SPARK IMAGINATION. BUILD LIFELONG READERS.

Join us for UIndy's Community Literacy Day! A joyful, community-wide celebration of reading, writing, and the creative voices of young authors. This free event brings together students, families, and educators to explore the power of literacy through hands-on activities and shared experiences.

STUDENTS IN GRADES K-8 CAN ENJOY:

- Storytelling & Read-Aloud Sessions
- Interactive Literacy Games & Activities
- Young Author Awards Ceremony honoring local student writers
- Creative stations designed to inspire writing, imagination, and fun

Presented by the UIndy School of Education & Indiana State Literacy Association

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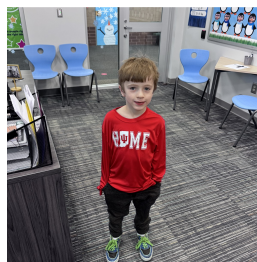
EVENT DETAILS

What:
Community Literacy Day
When:
February 28, 2026
Time:
10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Where:
UIndy Health Pavilion
(1643 E Hanna Ave,
Indianapolis, IN 46227)

LEARN MORE:



Check Out Our Stars!







Rosa Parks Kindergarten Academy

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Website: <http://perryschools.org/rk/>

Location: [7525 Wellingshire Boulevard, Indianapolis, IN, USA](#)

Phone: [317-782-2280](tel:317-782-2280)

Facebook: [facebook.com/RPKAStars](https://www.facebook.com/RPKAStars)



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