



Rosa Parks Kindergarten Academy

February 27, 2026

RPKA Families,

We had another fantastic week of learning and fun at RPKA. Our STARS are really enjoying playing on the playground again too! Be sure your child brings a jacket to school each day and is ready to play outside.

Students will be celebrating literacy this week. See below for details on this exciting week of dress up days, Scholastic Book Fair, and literacy fun as we celebrate Read Across America.

Be sure to send in pictures of your student practicing school routines. Our students are really enjoying seeing themselves on our video announcements! We have featured 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.

Be sure to check out the upcoming dates section for lots of exciting upcoming events.

Thanks for all you do at home to prepare your child for school!

Respectfully,

Angela Swails
Principal
Rosa Parks Kindergarten Academy

Read Across America & Scholastic Book Fair

It's time for Read Across America and Scholastic Book Fair. Each day your child will be celebrating this exciting week with special classroom activities and dress up days! Your child will have the opportunity to shop with his or her class. Please follow the link to set up your child's e-wallet.

<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/rosaparkskindacademy>



READ ACROSS AMERICA WEEK

RPKA will be celebrating Read Across America Week March 2nd- March 6th. To encourage a love for reading, students may participate in a week of fun dress up days!

Monday
March 2nd

Hats off to
Read Across
America!



Wear your favorite hat
with school uniform.

Tuesday
March 3rd

Reading is
Powerful



Wear a superhero shirt
with uniform bottoms.

Wednesday
March 4th

Readers are
Leaders



Dress for success in
fancy dress up clothes.

Thursday
March 5th

Reading is
Unique



Wear your favorite color
shirt with uniform bottoms.

Friday
March 6th

Reading is
Cozy



Wear comfy clothes or
pajamas.

WE'RE HAVING A
**BOOK
FAIR!**



3/2 - 3/6

ROSA PARKS KIND ACADEMY
7525 WELLINGSHIRE BLVD
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46217

Get ready—the Scholastic Book Fair is coming to our school! Find bestselling series and characters that students love from more than 100 publishers. Plus every purchase benefits our school. We hope you can join us for the Best. Week. Ever!

High Ability Screening

Dear Kindergarten Parents/Guardians:

We need additional information for our high ability screening on the academic needs and performance of some kindergarten students in order to provide instruction at the appropriate level. Depending on the information needed, your child may be administered one or more standardized tests. The testing will take place during March 2nd-13th. If you have any questions regarding testing, please contact-

Kim Jovic at kjovic@perryschools.org.

FEBRUARY SHINING STARS!



Congratulations to our February 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!

Spring Picture Day

Spring picture day is on Wednesday, March 11. This is an optional picture day for your child. If you would like to order spring pictures, please follow the link to complete your order. <http://interstate.com/flyerentry/0397SM>



A note from Nurse Liz



ILLNESS GUIDELINES – WHEN YOU CAN RETURN TO SCHOOL

1. Fever/chills/generalized body aches – May return when temperature is below 100.4 F for **24-hours** without fever reducing medication.
2. Undiagnosed rash, especially if visibly spreading, oozing, or accompanied by an elevated temperature – May return once determined non-contagious by a physician. Physician guidelines for return must be followed.
3. Eye discharge, crust, or bright redness of sclera (white of eye) – May return after evaluation by physician with return to school note and if indicated, **24-hours** of antibiotic treatment.

4. Vomiting or diarrhea – May return once **24-hours** symptom free *without* the use of medication.

The 44th Elementary Music Festival

The 44th Elementary Music Festival will be held at the Southport High School Fieldhouse on Monday,

March 9th at 7:00 PM. Tickets will be available for purchase between March 2nd – March 9th . If you are buying advance tickets using cash, you must go to your school's office to make the purchase. Credit card purchases can be made from your own device using a QR code or link (a small fee will apply). The QR code for credit card purchases will be live on March 2nd and will be sent out at a later date. We strongly suggest buying tickets in advance to avoid long ticket lines the night of the event.

A shuttle bus will run regularly beginning at 6:00 PM from Homecroft Elementary, located at 1551 EastSouthview Drive.

Purchase Tickets Here!

<https://elweb.app/wnrlriz>

A promotional banner for yearbook orders. The background is a blurred image of a bookshelf. On the left, a pink diagonal shape contains the text 'ORDER NOW' repeated in a light blue font. A white double arrow points left. The main text 'YEARBOOKS ON SALE!' is in dark blue, and 'ORDER NOW!' is in large, bold, light blue letters. A dark blue double arrow points right on the right side.

YEARBOOKS
ON SALE!
ORDER NOW!

Your yearbook order code is: 0259ZW

Upcoming Events

March 2-6- Scholastic Book Fair <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/rosaparkskindacademy>

March 11- Spring Pictures

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.

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

S
Say the problem
without blame

T
Think of solutions
safe and respectful

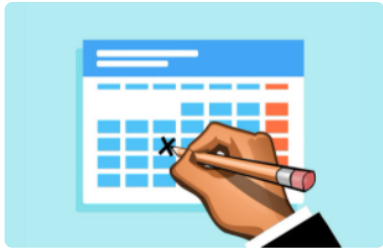
E
Explore consequences
what could happen if...

P
Pick the best solution
make your plan

committee for children
secondSTEP

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.



Second Semester Menu



Café
EXPRESS
Perry Township Schools

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 Pepperoni Pizza
	Baked Beans	French Fries	Baby Carrots with Dip	Green Beans ^P	Broccoli or Baby Carrots with Dip

<p>WG = whole grain</p> <p>▶ = vegetarian (no meat)</p> <p>★ = vegetarian version/alternative available (see detailed menu)</p> <p>^P = contains pork</p>	<p>Fruit and Low Fat/ Skim Milk offered daily</p> <p>(100% juice offered as a fruit option on Fridays)</p>	<p>Second entrée options:</p> <p>M/W/F</p> <p>PBJ Uncrustable (2.6 oz) with Cheese Stick and Cheez-Its or Cheddar Goldfish ▶</p> <p>T/TH</p> <p>PBJ Uncrustable (2.6 oz) with Cheese Stick and Grahans ▶</p>	<p>Students must take 5 of the 5 food components (one must be a fruit or vegetable) to be considered a reimbursable meal</p>
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JANUARY 2026					FEBRUARY 2026					MARCH 2026					APRIL 2026					MAY 2026									
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
26	27	28	29	30	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24

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)		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	
★ = vegetarian version/alternative available (see detailed menu)		P = contains pork			

AUGUST 2025					SEPTEMBER 2025					OCTOBER 2025					NOVEMBER 2025					DECEMBER 2025					
M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	M	T	W	T	F	
28	29	30	31	1	1	2	3	4	5				1	2	3	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5
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25	26	27	28	29	29	30				27	28	29	30	31						29	30	31			

Get Involved!





IUSD Kid's Club, Pediatric Dentistry Department
 Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting Programs
 Present



GIVE KIDS A SMILE



free dental clinic for kids aged 3-14

March 14 | 9 AM - 12 PM

Indiana University School of Dentistry
 1121 W Michigan St. Indianapolis, IN 46202
 Dr. James J. Fritts, DDS Clinical Care Center

NO APPOINTMENT REQUIRED

DENTAL EXAMS AND X RAYS
 CLEANINGS AND SEALANTS



FLUORIDE TREATMENTS
 EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES



Club Infantil de IUSD, Departamento de
 odontología pediátrica y Programas de higiene
 dental y asistencia dental Presenta



DALE A LOS NIÑOS UNA SONRISA



Clínica dental gratuita para niños de 3 a 14 años

14 de marzo | 9 AM - 12 PM

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 1121 W Michigan St. Indianapolis, IN 46202
 Dr. James J. Fritts, DDS Clinical Care Center

NO SE REQUIERE CITA PREVIA

EXAMENES DENTALES Y
 RADIOGRAFIAS
 LIMPIEZAS Y SELLADORES



TRATAMIENTOS CON FLÚOR
 ACTIVIDADES EDUCATIVAS





INDY VOLLEYBALL 2026 SUMMER CAMPS

MARCH 29TH, APRIL 12TH, APRIL 19TH, APRIL 26TH
ALL SKILLS YOUTH CLINIC
1:00 - 3:00 PM | GRADES K-8

JUNE 8TH - JUNE 12TH
YOUTH NIKE CAMPS
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM | AGES 10-16



AUGUST 3RD - 5TH
YOUTH SKILLS CAMPS
10:00 AM - 2:30 PM | GRADES K-8

NIKE CAMPS INFO



SCAN FOR MORE INFO/TO REGISTER
INDIANAPOLISVOLLEYBALLCAMPS.COM



LEARN TO PLAY

LEARN TO PLAY HOCKEY
South Indy Youth Hockey Association is dedicated to growing the love of hockey in our Indianapolis communities and making sure it is accessible to all.
Sunday's in March at 5:30PM
PERRY PARK ICE RINK



SIGN UP AT
SIYHA.ORG





2026 Edgewood Athletics Baseball/Softball Sign Ups:

We are located on the southside of Indy
@ 6004 Camden St. Indpls, IN 46227

We have NO boundaries. Everyone is welcome

Baseball-

PeeWee league ages 4-5 (teams are co-ed) \$75
Rookie League age 6 \$110
Astro league ages 7-9 \$145
Minor league ages 10-11 \$145
Major league ages 12-14 \$145 (must be in middle school)
Baseball games are on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays

Softball-

Peewee league ages 4-5 (teams are co-ed) \$75
Cadet league ages 6-8 \$145
Junior league ages 9-10 \$145
Senior league ages 11-14 \$145
(Must be in middle school)

**Softball games are Mondays and Wednesdays
Inter-league game days to be announced**

Season begins March 22nd-June 20th

<https://www.edgewoodathletics.org>

Upper right hand corner click on Register and create an account

Any questions please email edgewoodathletic@gmail.com



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Help Us Understand How Families Make PreK Decisions in Indiana

IRB-FY2025-139



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.



INDIANA CENTRAL LITTLE LEAGUE

Register Now for Baseball and Softball

Baseball Divisions

Tee Ball 4-6 - \$70
Coach Pitch 6-8 - \$70
Minor 8-10 - \$85
Major 10-12 - \$85
Senior 13-16 - \$100

Softball Divisions

Minor 7-10 - \$85
Major 9-12 - \$85
Senior 13-16 - \$100



Contact Us

indianacentrallittleleague@gmail.com



Register at www.icll.info

Indiana Central LL
4410 S Keystone Ave
Indianapolis, IN 46227



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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EDUCATION



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EVENT DETAILS

What:

Community Literacy Day

When:

February 28, 2026

Time:

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

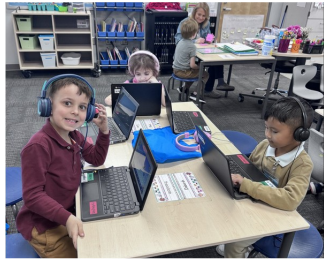
Where:

UIndy Health Pavilion
(1643 E Hanna Ave,
Indianapolis, IN 46227)

LEARN MORE:



CHECK OUT OUR STARS!





Rosa Parks Kindergarten Academy

Email: aswails@perryschools.org

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

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

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

Facebook: facebook.com/RPKAStars



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