

# Ryan Park Elementary School

## Rhino News



### Upcoming Events:

- **Feb. 3:** MSDSC District Science Fair @ Carlin Park
- **Feb. 3:** Father/Daughter Dance 5:30–7:30pm
- **Feb. 6:** PTO Meeting 6:30pm
- **Feb. 21:** 3rd Quarter Progress Reports Issued
- **Feb. 26–Mar. 9:** ISTEP Part 1

### Welcome Miss Layer!

Miss Abby Layer is our new music teacher, as Mr. Sam Stokes retired at the end of the 1st semester. We are excited to have her on board and welcome her to Ryan Park!!!

## The Principal's Desk

Amy Heavin

This is the beginning of an exciting time of year at Ryan Park. With 100 days down and 80 more to go, our students share what they know on a variety of assessments!

Assessments can sometimes be scary, and we all know the added pressure placed on our students, teachers, and school. However, I view all of these assessments as an opportunity to show all the great learning that has happened this school year. Our encouragement will go a long way in helping our students feel more comfortable during these high-stakes assessments. I know our students will do their very

best!

In the upcoming weeks, teachers will be helping students review and get ready for the ISTEP and IREAD tests. I am thrilled to walk around the school and see all the learning going on.

As always, my door is open and I welcome your feedback. Thank you for all you do for our students!

Look at upcoming events and RP news on Twitter.  
**@RyanParkRhinos**

**Purpose:** Ryan Park is a safe and innovative learning community, in which positive role models challenge all individuals to achieve their highest potential.

**Direction:** Ryan Park strives to provide purposeful instruction & motivate individuals to become independent learners & productive citizens to guide future generations.

### School Delays

It's that time of year!



Be sure to listen to WLKI, 100.3 or WPTA channel 21 for school delays or closings. Ryan Park is listed under MSD of Steuben County.

\*\*Morning meetings will be rescheduled if there is a delay or closing.

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## 2018-2019 Kindergarten Registration

March 21 & 22, 2018

Parents of children eligible for 2018-18 kindergarten should take advantage of this registration opportunity. A child must be 5 years of age by August 1, 2018 to qualify. **The MSD of Steuben County Central Office will be hosting the registration** on March 21, 2018 from 8:00AM-7:00PM and on March 22, 2018 from 8:00AM-3:00PM. Children do not need to attend this registration.

Parents must bring the child's legal birth certificate, proof of residence in MSD of Steuben County (utility bill), and immunization record.

Please call our school office if you have any questions!



## Counselor's Corner

### Learning Lab

#### Makerspace!



Thank you for the Makerspace donations!

We are busy making in our Learning Lab, and your donations to the space mean so much as we continue to provide our students creative outlets and problem-solving opportunities!

I would like to welcome our second semester Student Council members to their new leadership position. We have sent home the Magazine Sale information. If students returned their booklet with 7 addresses they received a Webkinz and key chain. All proceeds go towards the student council activities that we sponsor throughout the school year.

Our next school wide activity is **Random Acts of Kindness Week**. We will "Bee Spreading Kindness" all week February 12- February 16.

**2/12 Make a Difference Monday:** Sign the Kindness Pledge. We will be collecting food, toys and bedding for the animals for the Steuben County Humane Shelter. The winning class will earn an ice cream party.

**2/13 Terrific Tues-**

**day:** We will decorate Ryan Park with kinds words and thoughts.  
**2/14 Wonderful Red Wednesday:** Wear red and share kind thoughts with friends for Valentine's Day.  
**2/15 Thankful Thursday:** Send a Thank you note to someone at Ryan Park  
**2/16 Friendly Friday:** Reach out to family or a neighbor to lend a helping hand

### ISTEP Testing Dates

The 3rd, 4th, & 5th graders will be taking the Applied Skills portion of the ISTEP test February 26-March 9 and the Multiple Choice April 16-May 4. IREAD-3 will be March 12-16. Please **DO NOT** plan vacations or appointments during school hours on those days. Thank you in advance!

### Father/Daughter Dance

**When:** Saturday, February 3rd 5:30-7:30

**Where:** Ryan Park Gym

Semiformal or Dress-up Attire Encouraged, but not required.

**Cost:** \$10 per family

### 2nd Semester Student Council Members

**3rd Grade:** Ella Herbert, Konnar Henderson, Reed Lantz

**4th Grade:** Alex Thomas, Conner Brown, Brayden Perkins

**5th Grade:** Reese Weber, Kennedi Rice, Michael Newburg, Dayton Davidson

### Congratulations!

Spelling Bee Winner  
 Alayna Shamp  
Spelling Bee Runner-Up  
 Reese Weber

Our annual 5th Grade Spelling Bee was held on January 5, 2018. The winning word was "linoleum". Way to go!



### Tin Caps Reading Program



#### Let's Play Ball!

This year, all 4th and 5th grade students will have the opportunity to participate in the Tin Caps Reading Program. If they read all the required minutes, they will receive a free ticket to a Fort Wayne Tin Caps game and their family can purchase reduced price tickets.

This year's game will be on **Saturday, April 21, 2018, 1:00pm**

Any questions, please ask your classroom teacher or Michele Davis (mdavis@msdsc.us) who is the coordinator for the program.

### Winter Gear

With winter weather still here, please make sure your child has a coat, hat, and gloves when appropriate. We will go outside for recess on most days. We will stay inside if the temperature or wind chill is at or below 10 degrees. When it snows, students need to have waterproof snow boots and may want snow pants if they wish to play in areas where there is snow.



### Progress Reports



3rd Quarter Progress Reports will be issued to students on Wednesday, February 21st. If you have questions or concerns regarding your child's grades, please call or email your child's teacher.

**2017-2018**

**PTO Officers**

President - Abby Mathiak  
V. President - Melissa Zeeb  
Secretary - Laurie Kuster  
Treasurer - Ashley Brown  
Events Coordinators -  
Teresa Stuckey & Katrina  
Buchanan



**Contact Information:**

Please make sure the office has the most up-to-date contact names and numbers for each child registered at the school. We rely on this information to make contact home in a variety of situations, including sending important messages home.

Thank you!



**Attendance**

Ryan Park follows the MSD of Steuben County

Attendance Policy for absences and tardies. Please call the office by 9:00am to report an absence. Tardies are recorded if a child is late to school less than 2 hours in the morning, or signed out of school less than 2 hours before the end of the day. Excused absences & tardies are those in which the office has notification and/or doctor's notes for absences/tardies.

If you have any questions regarding your child's attendance, please call our office.



Ryan Park is now using Remind, a one-way text messaging system, to send reminders, delays, & closings.

To receive messages via text, text @ryanpa to (260) 918-6006. You can opt-out of messages at anytime by replying "unsubscribe @ryanpa"

To receive messages via email, send an email to ryanpa@mail.remind.com. To unsubscribe, reply with "unsubscribe" in the subject line.

**Reminders:**



**Student Absences:** Call the office @ 260-668-8873 before 9:00 am.

**Student Dismissal:** No child may change his/her usual method of transportation home from school without a written note or a phone call from a parent.

**Website:** Please check out our school website for continuous updates and other information. <http://rpe.msdsteuben.k12.in.us/> or Ryan Park Principal's Page <https://sites.google.com/a/msdsc.us/ryan-park-principal-s-page/>

**"Peanut Restricted":** We are a peanut-free school. Thank you for your attention to this matter.



**Fremont Community Schools / Head Start**

Fremont Head Start, serving Steuben & LaGrange counties, is accepting applications for fall enrollment for children ages 3 through 5. Children must be 3 years old by August 1, 2018 to be eligible.

For an application, please call 260-495-4775 or 1-800-551-9819

**Pop Tabs**

Keep collecting and sending in pop tabs! We are trying once again to collect 1,000,000! Once Ryan Park collects 1,000,000 tabs, we will become a part of the pop tab "Collect-A-Million" Club and be presented a plaque with a visit from Ronald McDonald himself!

**Box Tops for Education**

Please send in your Box Tops to support Camp Rhino! Each month, the box tops will be collected and counted. There will be a winning class each month! Thank you for your support!

**Tobacco-Free Campus**

Ryan Park & ALL MSD of Steuben County Schools are Tobacco-Free Campuses. No tobacco is allowed on ANY school premise, including parking lots.

Thank you.

## PERFECT ATTENDANCE - SECOND GRADING PERIOD

2017-2018

**Kindergarten:** Xander Goodman, McKayla Kimpel, Aaliah Kolkman, Tobi Krohn, Keaton Maksimchuk, Landon Blankenship, Kataleeya Harris, Jack Norris, Peter Smith, Anthony Isa, Karter Kimpel, Evan Kolar, Leina McHenry

**First Grade:** Brynn Konrad, Corbin Slaght, Davin Adams, Carson Reese, Tristan McBride

**Second Grade:** Korbyn Cleveland, Niles Knox, Logan Pugh, Kenna Whitmire, Jillian Witherspoon, Ryly Cumings, Addison Eyster, Kylie Zeeb, Maggie Zeeb, Miles DeWitt, Dylan Ferree, Cru Weber

**Third Grade:** Zoie Helmsing, Alex McCarthy, Kaiden Roush, Clara Bussema, Jack Pelliccia, Emily Skinner, Myles Steury, Abrielle Adams, Jackson Steury

**Fourth Grade:** Cecylia Abrajan-Chagala, Bailey Lanoue, Jon Robbins, Isaac Sanders, Alex Thomas, Bailey VanGompel, Luke Faramelli, Saige Slaght, Ryan Stuckey, Landon Titler, Alexis Adams, Madelyn Conrad, Daniel Koch, Arely Perez

**Fifth Grade:** Jayse Brown, Regan Clauss, Olivia Haver, Gabrielle Netke, Reed Shook, Jazlyn Friedel, Dylan Hicks, Breckyn Noll, Ava Rinard, Cooper Smith, Alexis Stillman, Reese Weber, Thad Wells, Kyler Huscher, Trey Soulliere

## ALL A HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Abrielle Adams, Kenzie Barron, Ethan Biernat, Jaspin Brown, Natalee Essinger, Cameron Guile, Hayley Hardy, Gus Heavin, Zoie Helmsing, Ella Herbert, Delainey Krontz, Myles Lang, Reed Lantz, Lilly Lewis, Brady Mohamedali, Joey Mohamedali, Clara Shamp, Emily Skinner, Lilliana Smith, Mason Smith, Drew Snyder, Jackson Steury, Myles Steury, Landin Stultz, Aiden Willis, Liam Young

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Aiden Buchanan, Madeline Buck, Tommy Caswell, Olivia Childress, Brooke Christman, Dallas Davidson, Kayla Davis, Luke Faramelli, Adriauna George, Daniel Koch, Brayden Perkins, Sadie Schneider, Zoe Shepherd, Sara Smith, Haven Stockamp, Ryan Stuckey, Kendall Stultz, Max Tynan, Bailey VanGompel

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Quinn Aldred, Tyler Blum, Sage Caudill, Regan Clauss, Jordan Davenport, Jayma DeLancey, Cooper Enyeart, Jazlyn Friedel, Olivia Haver, Harlee Henney, Jonathon Hersel, Bailey Holman, Riley Jones, Anna McClure, Sienna McLatcher-Schneider, Marisa Myer, Gabrielle Netke, Michael Newburg, Lauren Ray, Kennedi Rice, Ava Rinard, Alayna Shamp, Brooke Shelburne, Taylor Shelburne, Trey Soulliere, Reese Weber, Leona Youtz

## A&B HONOR ROLL STUDENTS

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Carson Bentley, Braden Blue, Huckleberry Brandeberry, Mason Brandeberry, Bradon Buck, Mia Foulk, Jacob Fraley, Konnar Henderson, Keegahn Hernandez, Bryton Householder, Haelea Mitman, Sophia Morales, Laura Newburg, Lux Nycum, Jack Pelliccia, Warrick Price, Evelyn Rinard, Lucas Sarrazin, Lexie Schworm, Hannah Smith, Tavish Subramaniam, Camila Urbina, Layne Wilder, Calvin Woodlee, Kahli York

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Cecylia Abrajan-Chagala, Laylah Ali, Elijah Antos, David Ball, Alexander Barry, Emeri Billings, Ava Butz, Caden Enyeart, Alyssa Hamilton, Corbin Henderson, Lucy James, Jakob Jordan, Bailey Lanoue, Landon Leach, Collin Loy, Regann Martin, Devin McGuirk, Wyatt Miller, Ashton Pearson, Jon Robbins, Bryan Roberts, Isabella Robertson, Lily Robinson, Tori Rodgers, Isaac Sanders, Kaitlyn Senak, Saige Slaght, Karina Smith, Wyatt Stewart, Alex Thomas, Landon Titler, Gage Trine, Isaiah Walters

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Lucas Barron, Dayton Davidson, Mayleena Gaile, Joann George, Ryder Godbey, Kinsee Grubb, Alex Heavin, Dylan Hicks, Kyler Huscher, Josh Jones, Gavin Kuhn, Austin Kuster, Delaney McGee, Brooke Myers, Breckyn Noll, Alex Orn, Katie Pizer, Merci Shumaker, Cooper Smith, Justin Steury, Alexis Stillman, Kendall Sturges, Coby Trick, Brady Warren, Logan Watts