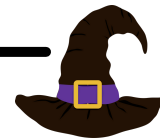




REBEL NEWSLETTER

WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWS



UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT 17	End of 1 st Quarter
OCT 22-23	Parent/Teacher Conferences
OCT 24	NO SCHOOL
OCT 27	Track-or-Treat (STUCO Hosted) 5-7pm PFK Meeting 5:30 pm (CLS) Board of Education Meeting 6:30 p.m.
OCT 28	Hearing & Vision Screening
OCT 31	11:30 am Dismissal- Staff SIP Day
NOV 08	PFK Hosted Rankin Chili Supper
NOV 10	Hearing & Vision Rescreen

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Teacher Ease-Parent Portal

Visit our parent portal to view your students' grades, assignments, attendance, and fees.

Fees can be paid online through **Illinois e-Pay** or in the office with cash or a check.

K-8 Meal Prices

- Breakfast: Student \$2.00 / Adult \$2.30
- Lunch: Student \$3.00 / Adult \$3.55
- Additional items: \$0.50-\$2.00 (extra drinks and snacks available for purchase, 3rd- 8th grade only)

If you are interested in applying for the **FREE/REDUCED MEAL PROGRAM**, apply through TeacherEase, under the Miscellaneous tab. Applications are accepted all year. If you have already applied, please know we are working through all of the applications as fast as we can, and you will be contacted shortly.

STUDENT-LED PARENT/ TEACHER CONFERENCES

Oct 22 & 23 (3:30-7:00pm)
Teachers have already started scheduling. If you have not already scheduled yours, please contact your child's teacher(s).

IMPORTANT!

CROSS COUNTRY IS HEADED TO STATE!!
Avery Cox, Averi Kennett, & Brooke Kennett

Good Luck

BOYS BASKETBALL- Tryouts

10/21 3:00-5:00 pm

Students **MUST** have a current Sports Physical on file to participate.



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: OCT 20-26TH

Visit our website for full calendar details.

MON	5:00pm Girls Basketball HOME Game vs Georgetowne 8 th gr Night
TUES	3:00pm Boys Basketball Tryouts 3:15pm Homework Help (Grades 3-8) 5:30pm Girls Basketball Game AWAY at Washington St Pats
WED	3:30pm Student Led Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00pm XC Mock Meet 5:00pm Girls Basketball Game HOME vs Pleasant Valley
THURS	3:30pm Student Led Parent/Teacher Conferences 5:00pm Girls Basketball Game AWAY at Oak Grove

MISC NEWS

Scholastic Book Fair



10/20 -10/23
Open during school day & Conferences

It's that time again!

Families can set up an eWallet for an easy way for kids to pay! Visit our school Book Fair Homepage to get started.

[BOOK FAIR HOMEPAGE](#)

TRACK OR TREAT

Monday, Oct 27th
5-7:00 pm

Bring the whole family for a fun & safe evening of trick-or-treating around the Rankin track.

Costumes encouraged!

STUCO



NURSE NOTES

October starts Influenza season.

Protect your family from illness by getting your flu vaccine by Halloween!



If your student is absent, please be sure to contact our attendance line: 309-346-3182, option 2
Dr Notes are encouraged with any visit.

Nicole Washkowiak, Nurse
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PARENTS FOR KIDS GROUP

UPCOMING EVENTS: ANNUAL CHILI SUPPER NOV 8, 5-7 PM

ENJOY AN EVENING OF FOOD, FUN, & RAFFLES
VOLUNTEERS & DONATIONS ARE NEEDED.

CONTACT US TO SEE HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED: PFK@RANKIN98.ORG

NEXT MEETING: MON, OCT 27TH 5:30PM

REBEL PIT STOP

We serve delicious options for Breakfast and Lunch! Check out what's on the Menu!!

Click Here

OCT MENU

Energize Your Day!
Eat School Breakfast



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Notification of Vision/Hearing Screening

Children do not really know how they are supposed to see or hear. Therefore, they may not complain about poor vision or hearing. Each year your school provides screening to ensure children are seeing and hearing optimally for their growth and learning. This is done in accordance with the IL Rules and Regulations of the Child Vision and Hearing Test Act. ***In the event you are unable to participate in this free service provided, it will be your responsibility to ensure your child does not have vision and/or hearing deficits.***

The screening dates for 2025/2026 school year will be:
October 28th, 2025 with a rescreen date of November 11th, 2025

Those who have been referred for hearing by School Sight & Sound, Inc. at previous screens will receive yearly hearing monitoring as needed. Students who are new to the district, attend any special education classes, or are referred by a teacher will be screened for both vision and hearing along with the following grades:

Hearing Screens:

Kindergarten

1st Grade

2nd Grade

3rd Grade

Vision Screens:

Kindergarten (If student has not had an eye exam for Kindergarten entrance requirement)

2nd Grade

8th Grade

"Vision screening is not a substitute for a complete eye and vision evaluation by an eye doctor. Your child is not required to undergo this vision screening if an optometrist or ophthalmologist has completed and signed a report form indicating that an examination has been administered within the previous 12 months." (Section 27-8.1 of the School Code)

Lori Leskovisek and Deanna Frye, administrators of School Sight & Sound, Inc. are certified by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) as vision and hearing screening technicians. They are, for this purpose, considered "school officials" as they conduct a program that has "legitimate educational interest". Under the State codes 99.31 and 99.7, as *school officials*, they are authorized to share screening results with the school office since these results have *legitimate educational interest*. School Sight & Sound, Inc. will notify parents/guardians if a child is recommended for further testing.

This service has proven to be very valuable in discovering those children who may be struggling academically due to vision and hearing needs. Although this service is meant to benefit your child, it is your right to refuse it for religious purposes. According to the Child Vision and Hearing Test Act, a written statement of objection must be submitted by any parent/guardian who chooses to not have their child tested. (410 ILCS 205/6)

Sincerely,