

Roachdale Elementary News



Roachdale Elementary J. Scott Spencer, Principal Vol. 7, No. 8 – March 2016 Dan McMurtry – Counselor

"Every Child, Every Day, Whatever It Takes!"

Calendar of Events

Mar 1 ISTEP+ Begins (grades 3-5)

Mar 4 Monthly Awards 7:25am

Mar 7 PTO Meeting 6:00pm

Mar 14 IREAD Begins (grade 3 only)

Mar 16 School Board Mtg 7:00pm

Mar 18 Jump Rope for Heart Event

Mar 18 Report Cards Sent Home

Mar 21 Spring Break Begins

Mar 28 Students Return to School

TEST PREP TIPS

- 1. Get a good night's rest before each testing session.
- 2. Have a healthy breakfast each morning.
- 3. Get some exercise and be active in the days leading up to testing.
- 4. Limit distractions and keep a positive frame of mind.



When school is in session, the building is open for supervision from 8:00am to 3:20pm daily.

Office Hours: 7:30am-4:00pm

State Assessment Schedule for March

Students in grades 4 and 5 will be taking ISTEP+ Part 1 this month, while students in grade 3 will take ISTEP+ Part 1 (paper/pencil) and IREAD3 (online). The time chart below shows the day, subject, and the amount of (time) for each session. The second day of English/Language Arts testing is 85 minutes because we are required to give two sessions on the same day. These sessions are 25 and 60 minutes each. A break will be given between the sessions on this day.

ISTEP+	Monday Feb 29	Tuesday Mar 1	Wednesday Mar 2	Thursday Mar 3	Friday Mar 4
Grade 3		Math (40)	E/LA (35)	E/LA (85)	E/LA (60)
Grade 4		E/LA (35)	E/LA (85)	Math (40)	Sci (35)
Grade 5		Math (40)	E/LA (35)	E/LA (85)	SS (30)

Shortly after ISTEP+ concludes, students in grade 3 are required to take IREAD3. This assessment will be given on Monday, March 14 with make-up testing on March 15 & 16.

IREAD3	March 14	March 15	March 16
Grade 3	(90)	Make-up	Make-up

Please be sure your child gets plenty of sleep and eats a good breakfast before each testing day. Attendance is important. Please try to schedule appointments on non-testing days if possible.

In mid-April, ISTEP+ Part 2 (online) will be given. More information regarding that portion of ISTEP+ will be shared at the start of April.



It's not too late to order a yearbook. Forms are due by Friday, March 4.