



Roachdale Elementary News



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“Every Child, Every Day, Whatever It Takes!”

Parents' Guide to Student Success / Common Core Standards

The **Parents' Guide to Student Success** was developed in response to the Common Core State Standards in English language arts and mathematics that more than 40 states have adopted. Created by teachers, parents, education experts, and others from across the country, the standards provide clear, consistent expectations for what students should be learning at each grade in order to be prepared for college and career. National PTA® created the guides for grades K-8 and two for grades 9-12 (one for English language arts/literacy and one for mathematics).

The *Guide* includes:

- Key items that children should be learning in English language arts and mathematics in each grade, once the standards are fully implemented.
- Activities that parents can do at home to support their child's learning.
- Methods for helping parents build stronger relationships with their child's teacher.
- Tips for planning for college and career (high school only).

You can access the guidance documents by clicking on: <http://www.pta.org/4446.htm>

UPCOMING EVENTS

- April 2 School Resumes
- April 3 Honor Roll Lunch (grades 4 and 5)
- April 3 Blood Drive 2:00-6:00 pm
- April 4 4th Grade Ag Day at Putnam Co. Fair Grounds
- April 6 Spring Pictures
- April 9 NO SCHOOL – SNOW MAKE-UP DAY**
- April 10 Book Fair Begins
- April 16 NO SCHOOL – SNOW MAKE-UP DAY**
- April 19 School Board Meeting at MS 7:00 pm
- April 20 Principal's Coffee 8:30 am
- April 20 Midterm Reports Sent Home
- April 23 NO SCHOOL – SNOW MAKE-UP DAY**
- April 25 Kindergarten Round-Up 6:00 pm
- April 30 NO SCHOOL – SNOW MAKE-UP DAY**
- May 1 ISTEP+ Online Testing Begins
- May 4 Pioneer Day (grade 4)
- May 15 Art Show 6:00 pm & Spring Musical 7:00 pm
- May 23 All-School Awards Program 9:00 am
- May 23 5th Grade Promotion Program 1:00 pm
- May 24 Field Day 9:00-11:30 am
- May 24 REACT Walk 1:00 pm
- May 24 Last Day of School
- June 2 High School Graduation



The students and staff of Roachdale Elementary School recently held the annual Jump Rope and Hoops for Heart event to benefit the American Heart Association. The school raised \$3,000! Great job Roachdale!!!

2012 Kindergarten Round-Up
April 25 – 6:00 pm
Roachdale Elementary School
Media Center



MATH TEAM 5TH IN STATE!!!

Congratulations to the Roachdale Math Bowl team who finished 2nd in the regional competition at South Putnam in March. The team scored 21 points, tying them with two other schools. The team finished 2nd due to the tie-breaking rules, but the score was high enough to earn them a 5th place ranking in the state within their division. Great job Math Bowl Team!!!

Gleaners Food Bank-Mobile Food Pantry



**April 14, 2012
10:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
Van Bibber Lake Area
Life Spring Church
5038 North US 231
Greencastle, IN 46135**

- Sponsored by:**
- **North Putnam
Community School
Corporation**
 - **Gleaners Food Bank**

All Community Members Are Welcome

The Roachdale Elementary School Community is committed to the development and academic growth of all students to encourage life-long learning in our ever changing world.