

Pekin Elementary

The mission of the Pekin Community School, serving as a unifying agent of our communities, is to provide and promote lifelong learning through the commitment to quality educational programs that prepare the students to be effective, successful, and responsible citizens.

January 1, 2017

CALLING ALL VOTERS!

Pekin Community Schools is preparing for a public bond referendum vote on Feb. 7th. We encourage all registered voters in the Pekin school district to become informed about the upcoming vote and proposed improvements. You can find information on the district website, www.pekincsd.org, or on our facebook page [@pekincsdbond](https://www.facebook.com/pekincsdbond). Absentee ballots are available for those who may have scheduling conflicts on Feb. 7th. Please contact Mr. Harper in the Superintendent's Office, 319-695-3707, for more information or contact any administrator to answer your questions.

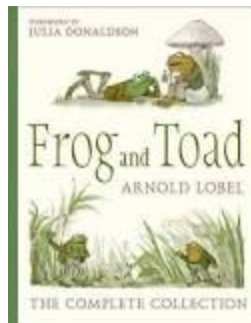


GREAT AMERICAN FUNDRAISING EVENT

Each year Pekin Elementary students have the opportunity to participate in our annual fundraising event. On Jan. 6th we will kick-off this event with a short school-wide assembly. Each child will bring home an informational participation packet. If you chose to participate you simply help your child fill out the postcards in the packet and have them return it to school. Each year this event helps us raise approximately \$1,000. These extra funds help us provide additional programming and special events for all K-5 students. Please consider participating again this year.

FROG + TOAD

All K-2 students will enjoy a performance of the popular children's story, "Frog & Toad", at the Fairfield Arts and Convention Center on Jan. 17th. Students will ride buses from school for the 10:00 AM performance, and will return in time to eat lunch at school. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to experience a live production on the big stage.



THANK YOU, PTO

I want to say a special, "Thank You" to our PTO members and all the volunteers who helped our annual Santa's Workshop be a big success. Each year they organize and work this special event, and all K-5 students have the opportunity to shop for their friends and family. It's a wonderful tradition, and I thank all those who help make the event special for our students.

WINTER READING CHALLENGE

Students were encouraged to read in a variety of ways over Christmas break to keep their reading skills sharp. Winter Reading Challenge packets are due Jan. 6th. Students who participated will be treated to a special reward with Mrs. Ledger.

JUMP ROPE NIGHT



5th grade students will be showing off their jump rope skills during the High School basketball game the evening of Feb. 7th. All K-5 students are currently participating in a jump rope unit during P.E. class. It's amazing how their skills are improving, and 5th graders are really looking forward to the performance so mark your calendar now. Be sure to vote early in the day and attend the basketball game that evening to cheer on the Panthers and be entertained by our 5th graders.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Jan. 3rd - School Resumes
- Jan. 6th-13th - Great American Fundraiser Event
- Jan. 6th - Winter Reading Challenge ends
- Jan. 9th - School Board meeting @ 6:00 PM
- Jan. 12th - 2nd quarter/1st semester ends
- Jan. 13th - No School/ Teacher Workday
- Jan. 16th - 3rd quarter begins
- Jan. 16th - SIAC meeting @6:00 PM
- Jan. 17th - Frog & Toad performance for K-2
- Jan. 30th-Feb. 3rd - FAST winter literacy screening (K-5)
- Feb. 6th - No School/ Teacher In-service
- Feb. 7th - 5th Grade Jump Rope Night
- Feb. 7th - VOTE! (Pekin Bond Referendum)

Mark Your Calendar!

4 SIMPLE WAYS TO HELP YOUR SCHOOL

Schools are always looking for ways to bring in more funding, resources, and materials. So, how can you help our school? Pekin Elementary participates in the following 4 programs that make contributing fairly simple and painless.

- **General Mills Box Tops for Education**
 - Clip the box top coupons from each participating product and simply send them to school with your child. Find participating products at <http://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/clip/brands.aspx>
- **Campbell's Labels for Education**
 - Clip and save UPC labels from participating products. It's so much more than just soup labels. Check out the extensive list at <http://www.labelsforeducation.com/Earn-Points/Participating-Products>
- **Pop Tabs for Ronald McDonald House Charities**
 - Collect and save the pop tabs from cans of soda and turn them into the school to help recycle and raise money for the Ronald McDonald Charities.
- **SchoolStore.com**
 - Shop your favorite stores on-line at [SchoolStore - Home Page](#). When prompted, be sure to select Pekin Elementary. We receive a percentage of all sales in support of the school. This is a great way to support the school with one of your favorite activities, shopping!

Don't forget to ask neighbors and friends to collect for Pekin Elementary too. Every dollar counts.



Please continue to check the district website at <http://www.pekincsd.org> for updated articles and information about what is happening at Pekin Elementary.

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BREAKFAST



We will continue to update and keep this MENU as accurate as possible Low-Fat and Skim Milk served daily



HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST TO GO!!! EACH BREAKFAST INCLUDES 1 GRAIN, 1 PROTEIN, 1 FRUIT / JUICE, MILK CHOICE. AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE WITH MRS. SINES FROM 7:45 TO 9:30 A.M. DAILY



Monday

2
No School

9
WG Cereal
String Cheese
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

16
WG Egg Wrap
Sausage
Fruit Choice/ Orange Juice

23
Sausage Patty
WG Toast
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

30
Cereal Bar
String Cheese
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

Tuesday

3
Cheesy Egg Omelet
WG Toast
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

10
WG French Toast
Sausage Patty
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

17
Cereal Bar
String Cheese
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

24
WG Cereal
String Cheese
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

31
Scrambled Eggs with Ham
WG Toast
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

Wednesday

4
WG Cheese Stick
Yogurt
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

11
Egg Patty
WG Toast
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

18
Cheesy Egg Omelet
WG Toast
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

25
WG French Toast
Sausage Patty
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice



Thursday

5
WG Pancakes
Egg Patty
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

12
Scrambled Eggs with Ham
WG Toast
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

19
WG Cheese Stick
Yogurt
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

26
Egg Patty
WG Toast
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice



Friday

6
Sausage Patty
WG Toast
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

13
No School

20
WG Pancakes
Egg Patty
Fruit Choice/Orange Juice

27
WG Egg Wrap
Sausage
Fruit Choice/ Orange Juice



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LUNCH



This MENU is subject to change. We will continue to update and keep this MENU as accurate as possible Low-Fat and Skim Milk are offered with each lunch



Nutrition Tip: Practice stealth health - sneak veggies into favorite foods. Go light on the meat and top your pizza with vegetables like tomatoes, onions, bell peppers, mushrooms, zucchini, and artichoke hearts.



Monday

2
NO SCHOOL

9
Ham Slice
Cheesy Potatoes
Steamed Carrots
Applesauce
Fruit Choice (9-12)
WG Hot Rolls

16
Taco Salad
Refried Beans/ Corn Salsa (9-12)
Cinnamon Apples
WG Choc. Chip Cookie
Fruit Choice (9-12)

23
Mac & Cheese
Mini Corn Dogs
Baked Beans/ Peas
Diced Peaches
Fruit Choice(9-12)

30
Cheesy Egg Omelet
Baby Carrots/ Tri Tater
Strawberry Cups
WG Cheese Stick
Fruit Choice (9-12)

Tuesday

3
WG Cheese Pizza
Corn/Steamed Carrots
Diced Peaches
PB Sandwich
Fruit Choice (9-12)

10
Chicken Quesadilla
WG Mexi Rice
Broccoli/ Baby Carrots
Mixed Fruit
Fruit Choice(9-12)

17
Spaghetti with Meat Sau
Baby Carrots/ Broccoli
Diced Peaches
WG Breadstick
Fruit Choice (9-12)

24
Ham & Cheese on Bun
Corn/ Baby Carrots
Applesauce
Fruit Choice (9-12)

31
WG Lasagna
Green Beans/ Peas
WG Hot Roll
Pineapple
Fruit Choice (9-12)

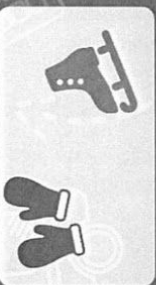
Wednesday

4
Goulash
WG Breadstick
Broccoli/ Baby Carrots
Pears
Fruit Choice (9-12)

11
BBQ Rib Patty on WG Bun
Potato Wedges/ Baked Beans
Mandarin Oranges
Fruit Choice (9-12)

18
Toasted Ham & Cheese
Baked Beans/ Steamed Carrots
Applesauce
Fruit Choice (9-12)

25
Baked Chicken
Mashed Potatoes/ Gravy
Broccoli
Pineapple
Fruit Choice(9-12)
PB Sandwich



Thursday

5
Chicken Nuggets
French Fries /Green Beans
Pineapple Chunks
Fruit Choice (9-12)
PB Sandwich

12
Chicken Tetrazzini
Green Beans/ Peas
Rosy Applesauce
Fruit Choice(9-12)
PB Sandwich

19
Chicken Strips
French Fries/ Coleslaw
Mixed Fruit
Uncrustable
Fruit Choice (9-12)

26
Fish Nuggets
WG Chips with Salsa
Green Beans
Apple Slices
Fruit Choice (9-12)



Friday

6
Hamburgers on SMB
Baked Beans/ Peas
Mixed Fruit
Fruit Choice (9-12)

13
NO SCHOOL

20
Country Fried Steak
Mashed Potatoes/ Green Beans
Diced Peas
Fruit Choice (9-12)
PB Sandwich
WG Hot Roll(9-12)

27
WG Pepperoni Pizza
Baby Carrots
Romaine Salad
Diced Peas
Fruit Choice (9-12)



