



# Rockford Elementary Arts Magnet School

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## A NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL 03 - 04 - 2022



Dear Parents,

We had a wonderful Kindergarten Round Up last night! This will be the 13th year that REAMS has had full day kindergarten and we are excited to welcome the new class of 2035 to our REAMS School family. Students were able to spend time with the kindergarten staff and left with a Class of 2035 T-Shirt! Rockford Elementary Arts Magnet School is still accepting students for the 2022-2023 kindergarten program. If you know of anyone who is interested in the All Day Every Day Kindergarten Program, please have them contact the Rockford Elementary Arts Magnet School office at (763) 477-5837.

Just a reminder, we have conferences next week on Monday, March 7 and Thursday, March 10 from 3:20-7:20 p.m. If you are having your conference in person at REAMS, please stop at the lost and found to see if there are any items that belong to your child. We are trying to get everything back to students but still have a great amount of clothing in the lost and found.

Have a wonderful weekend!!

Warmly,  
Brenda Nyhus  
Principal



## Put it on your calendar

March 7 and 10	Parent teacher conferences - did you sign up?
March 11	Kindergarten field trip.

## News

### COVID tests STILL available

The Rockford Area School District was able to obtain more at-home, rapid COVID tests from the state for K-12 students. We will have these tests on hand for if/when your student develops COVID symptoms. These tests are available for your convenience. If you have already picked up a test in the past, you are still eligible for one additional test per K-12 student. We can send a test kit home with your child at your request. If your student is at home and you'd like to pick up a test, reach out to the building health office to set up a plan.

## Annual student/registration update

This year, Rockford Area Schools has implemented an Annual Update which can be found in the Parent Portal in Infinite Campus. Keeping this information up-to-date will help families stay connected and be informed on upcoming plans and other important announcements. This **online update will replace the emergency medical form you have received in the past.** Most of the information will auto-populate from data already entered in Infinite Campus. Required fields are marked with a red asterisk(\*) and information highlighted in yellow needs to be updated. There are also fields required by the Minnesota Department of Education such as technology access and ethnicity. We are asking all families to log in to your Parent Portal to complete this year's update **AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.** Going forward, the Annual Update will take place yearly in August. If you have any questions, contact Christa Larson at [larsonchrista@rockford.k12.mn.us](mailto:larsonchrista@rockford.k12.mn.us) or (763) 477-9165.

## Peek at the Week

### Winners of the Decorate a Door contest announced

Classrooms recently participated in our first Decorate a Door contest to celebrate I Love to Read Month. The



theme of the doors needed to be based on a book or an author, the decorations had to be made by the students, and every classroom had a chance to vote. Congratulations to Mrs. Hedeens class and their Charlotte's Web door decor! Mrs. Hedeens class gets to display the golden book trophy for the remainder of the year and they will get a pizza party.



### REAMS scoops Lacrosse in Phy Ed.

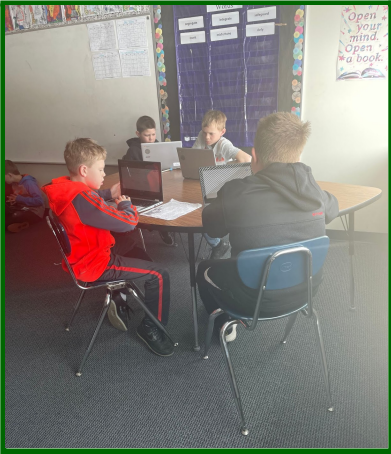
This week we began the fun sport of Lacrosse in grades 2-4, and Scoopball in grades K-1. Lacrosse has become incredibly popular all across the country and students have really enjoyed learning the game here. There's lots of fast-action and teamwork involved, along with getting a wonderful workout in the process. Scoopball also has provided the students with a fun way to improve their eye-hand coordination, and work together with different partners. Awesome job everyone!





## Fourth graders “Coming to America”

This week, 4th grade grammar students are reading about immigration to America through the history of Ellis Island and Angel Island. In the article, titled Coming to America, students learn about Ellis and Angel islands in the 1900s along with Ellis and Angel islands today. Students are learning about the tests, physical exams, and life of immigrants back in the 1900s when coming to America during the gold rush. At the end of the article, it tells students about how preserving our immigration history is important by making Ellis island into a museum and making Angel island into a state park/landmark. After discussing the article in depth, students compared and contrasted Ellis and Angel islands in the 1900s to today by creating and filling in two venn diagrams.



## Other Opportunities

### RAAA youth fastpitch softball

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Registration for the 2022 summer RAAA youth fastpitch softball season is now open at

<https://www.raaasports.com/summer-registration> !

#### Registration Deadlines

- 6U and 8U House registration closes on March 31
- All late registrations will incur a late fee added to their registration.

### 2022 RAAA Baseball Registration starts soon

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THE 2022 RAAA BASEBALL SEASON IS ALMOST HERE

8-14 YEAR-OLDS = REGISTRATION IS JAN 31 - MARCH 1  
5-7 YEAR-OLDS = REGISTRATION IS FEB 28 - APRIL 4

REGISTER NOW:  
[HTTPS://WWW.RAAASPORTS.COM/RAAA-BASEBALL](https://www.raaasports.com/RAAA-BASEBALL)

*Please contact us at [raaabaseball@raaasports.com](mailto:raaabaseball@raaasports.com) if you have questions.*

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## **FREE Glee Club Class**

Little Jammerz will be running a free online Glee Club Class for students that love to sing and perform in Grades 1-5

Students will learn to sing & perform pop songs with cool dance moves.

We focus on pitch, breathing, and performing techniques

The class will be taught live online using Zoom. To Sign up please go to [littlejammerz.com/march9th](http://littlejammerz.com/march9th) or scan the qr code at the bottom with your phone

DATE: Wednesday March 9th, 2022  
TIME: 5PM-5:30PM

To Sign Up: Go Online to  
[LittleJammerz.com/march9th](http://LittleJammerz.com/march9th)

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Scan This QR Code below to open link:



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