

# Urbana Elementary

Kindergarten *through* Grade 5

## News and Information

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### Urbana Elementary Climber Club News

The next UES Climber Club event will be our Easter Egg Hunt. We will need donations of plastic eggs to fill and individually wrapped candy that will fit inside the plastic eggs. We will also need approved volunteers to help fill and hide the eggs. The hunt is scheduled for **Thursday, April 14**. More details will follow in the next newsletter!



### PBIS Positive News

The Urbana Elementary K-5 PBIS team met this month to continue work on an Elementary PBIS manual to be available in time for the 2022-2023 school year. The team continues to analyze data from positive behavior reports, as well as, office referrals to determine how we can best help our K-5 students be successful.

**Our UES K-5 PBIS Climber Code:**  
***Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Ready!***

### Upcoming Events at UES!

**Monday, 2/28 - Friday, 3/4/22:** Read Across America Week  
(Info was sent home with your child(ren) this week. See details below).

**Thursday, 3/3/22:** Preschool Spring Picture Day

**Monday, 3/7/22:** Teacher Inservice Day—NO school for students

**Monday, 3/11/22:** End of 3rd quarter/next Newsletter goes home

**Wednesday, 3/16/22:** K-5 students Spring Picture Day

**Monday, 3/28 - Friday, 4/1/22:** NO school—**SPRING BREAK!**

### Kindergarten Registration for 2022-2023 School Year...

#### SAVE THE DATE!

Urbana City Schools offers all day, every day kindergarten for children turning five (5) **before August 1, 2022**. If you have, or know of anyone, who has a child who fits this description, the kindergarten screening dates will be held on **May 23, 24, 25, and 26** and **August 2, 3, and 4, 2022**. For more information, contact the elementary office at (937) 653-1453.

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**Monday, February 28:** **Reading "JOGS" the Mind Day.**  
*Let's "KICK" off our Read Across America Week by wearing your casual/exercise clothes—because we all know reading EXERCISES your brain!*

**Tuesday, March 1:** **WILD About Reading Day.**  
*Wear animal print. Dress like your favorite animal or animal character and be PAWSitively WILD about reading!*

**Wednesday, March 2:** **Favorite Character Day.**  
*Dress up like one of your favorite characters!*

**Thursday, March 3:** **Team Up for Reading.**  
*Wear your favorite sports team or your favorite sports' team's colors today!*

**Friday, March 4:** **Read a Shirt Day—We "READ" All Week!**  
*Wear a shirt with words and/or wear RED. How about a DOUBLE spirit day?*

**READ, READ, AND READ SOME MORE!**

### Newsletter # 8

*Congratulations* to our **February GOOD CITIZENS!** All students enjoyed a hot breakfast with guest speakers, **Judges Selvaggio and Weithman**. The character trait this month was **FAIRNESS**.

**Lyla Smith** (*Andreassen-K*)  
**Waylen Fultz** (*Bowdle-K*)  
**Oliver Roberson** (*Miesse-K*)  
**Rosa Finch** (*Oakes-K*)  
**Asrielle Vactor** (*Marsh-K*)  
**Raylee Brim, Baylee Mintchell** (*Trout-K*)  
**Zoey Elliott** (*Heim-K*)  
**Titan Ratcliff** (*Glessner-1st*)  
**Kalleigh Newkirk** (*Hiltibran-1st*)  
**Braxton Portis** (*Pack-1st*)  
**Kody Newkirk** (*Pemberton-1st*)  
**Kinsley Harris** (*Childs-1st*)  
**Zeke Lucas-Taylor** (*Anderson-Deitrick-1st*)  
**Tiyana McKee** (*Prince/Rooney-2nd*)  
**Rosemae Emmons** (*Shelpman-2nd*)  
**Kira Kerns** (*Hower-2nd*)  
**Carter Young** (*Robison-2nd*)  
**Norah Jenkins** (*Jacobs-2nd*)  
**Ivan Jacobs** (*Walters-2nd*)  
**Carter Roberts** (*Roby-2nd*)  
**Devin Zellner** (*Petry-Brisley-ESC*)  
**Liam McNutt** (*Burnside-3rd*)  
**Ricardo Santiago Rodriguez** (*McGinnis, 3rd*)  
**Mya Jones** (*Zirkle-3rd*)  
**Dallice Houk** (*Siegenthaler-3rd*)  
**Sophia Pund** (*Sullivan-3rd*)  
**Zoey Sasson** (*Hartman-3rd*)  
**Jeremy Taynor** (*Edwards-3rd*)  
**Naleena Meade** (*Keep-Maloney-4th*)  
**Evy Shaffer** (*Keely-4th*)  
**Cara Mowrey** (*Deans-4th*)  
**Maya Schrupp** (*Bline-4th*)  
**Cameron Jones** (*Recker-4th*)  
**Amarya Vasquez** (*Wasson-4th*)  
**Brextyn Wren** (*Sherman-5th*)  
**West Hill** (*Bever-5th*)  
**Ava Vandembark** (*Pine-5th*)  
**Meryssa Pence** (*Holeton-5th*)  
**Nariah Reed** (*Neer-5th*)  
**Bailee Packer** (*Inskeep-5th*)  
**Austin Ramey** (*Knight-ESC*)

**February Students of the Month**  
**Ian Swain** (*Kindergarten, Trout*)  
**Sofia Bostick** (*1st grade, Hiltibran*)  
**Darion Brandon** (*ESC-3rd, Petry-Brisley*)  
**Emanuel Randolph** (*3rd grade, Zirkle*)  
**Nathan Dingey** (*4th grade, Deans*)  
**Oliver Rice** (*5th grade, Inskeep*)

FinalForms

If you have not yet filled out your child's forms on FinalForms please do so as soon as possible. All yearly forms, including athletic forms, are now being filled out online through FinalForms. You should have received a confirmation email from FinalForms. If you did not, please contact your child's building secretary or Kelli Marsh [kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org](mailto:kelli.marsh@urbanacityschools.org) or 937-653-1453 ext 2126.

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Saving Endangered Species Youth Art Contest

The Endangered Species Coalition (ESC) is pleased to announce their 2022 Saving Endangered Species Youth Art Contest. The Art Contest is open to K-12 grade students residing in the U.S. or U.S. Territories. The contest is an integral part of the 16th annual Endangered Species Day on Friday, May 20th. Here is the link of the primary goals of the Saving Endangered Species Youth Art Contest and the FULL DETAILS: <https://bit.ly/3H9OdrC>  
\*\*\*\*\* Deadline: March 1, 2022 \*\*\*\*\*

A Family Guide to EMOTIONAL EMPOWERMENT

From our K-5 School Counselors, Mrs. Lingrell and Mr. Dorsey

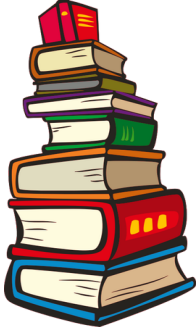
Notice and understand emotions in others. Being aware of other's emotions helps develop empathy and aids in developing friendships.

How grown-ups can help. Talk with your child about how others in your circle may be feeling, or about the feelings of characters in books, movies, or TV shows. Discuss the range of emotions with your child.



Every year, the first week of February is National School Counseling Week established by the American School Counselor Association. The purpose of NSCW is to highlight the school counseling profession and the positive impact

school counselors have on students. Our Urbana Elementary school counselors, Mr. Dorsey (K-2) and Mrs. Lingrell (3-5) work to serve all students' social-emotional and academic needs. Please feel free to contact your child's Urbana Elementary school counselors at :  
K-2, (937) 653-1453, ext 2120, [cris.dorsey@urbanacityschools.org](mailto:cris.dorsey@urbanacityschools.org) or  
3-5, (937) 653-1453, ext 2119, [gina.lingrell@urbanacityschools.org](mailto:gina.lingrell@urbanacityschools.org)



**Our Literacy Coaches' Reading Corner**

**Adjusting - Within the Text**

All readers are asked to read a variety of text throughout their day. As adults, you might read a novel, an email, a text message, a recipe, or the newspaper. Depending on the type of text being read, a reader adjusts how they read. They might slow down, speed up, skim over, or read for details. They may not read a text from start to finish, but look for the section they need. Readers may reread for understanding, or to remember a specific detail. When talking about text at home you can say:

- Where will you start reading this text?
- Do you need to slow down to help yourself understand?
- How will you read this text?



**Congratulations** to Mrs. Jacobs 2nd graders–WINNERS of the Champaign County January STEM challenge of *Building a Rainbow*.

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A helpful tip for our families:

The use of LARGE numbers on BOTH sides of your mailbox makes it much easier for school bus drivers, the fire department, EMS & police to locate your residence. A 4" tall reflective style mailbox number works the best to see a house number from the road—especially in the dark. Driveway reflectors are also helpful as they can be used as a landmark when trying to locate a residence—both in the dark and during the day. Stay away from numbers that are hand painted, dark colored (with no white background on a dark colored mailbox), or are smaller than 4" as they're very difficult to see and read when searching for a house (especially in the dark). This helpful tip can help in an emergency or getting the kids to and from school on a bus!



Our Kindergarten “Twinning on Twos-day (2/22/22) Duos”.

Back row, left to right: Hannah & Charles Collins, Carter & Carson Deere.  
Front row, left to right: Brooke & Ben Hastings, Paige & Bailey DeCola.