

ROBBINS ELEMENTARY

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FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

OPEN ENROLLMENT

Public School Open Enrollment: February 4 – April 30, 2019

Wisconsin residents in grades 4K - 12 may apply to attend school in a school district other than the one in which they live. For example: a child who lives in the Altoona School District could apply to attend the Eau Claire Area School District (ECASD). Students in pre-kindergarten may participate in limited circumstances; parents should call Karen Larson at 852-3003 to find out if their preschool-aged child(ren) qualifies.

Students who are currently attending the ECASD through open enrollment DO NOT need to reapply.

The open enrollment application period for the 2019-2020 school year is February 4 – April 30, 2019. An online application will be available to the public beginning Monday, February 4, and closing at 4:00 pm on April 30, 2019. For more information about open enrollment, please go to: <http://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment>.

Have you moved outside of the Eau Claire School District this year? If so, you need to complete a [Tuition Waiver Due To Move](#) form which can be found on the DPI website. Contact Karen Larson for more information at 715-852-3003.

2019-2020 KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Now Enrolling for Kindergarten!

The Eau Claire Area School District welcomes all children turning **5 years old** on or before September 1, 2019 to enroll in Kindergarten.

(NOTE: Students already enrolled in the EC4T program do not need to reapply.)

Step 1:

Visit our website — www.ecasd.us

- Click on Enrollment
- Complete an Online Application

Step 2:

Visit the Enrollment Office anytime between now and March 2019 to provide:

- Proof of address
- Proof of your child's age

Please note that the enrollment process is not complete until steps 1 and 2 are complete. If you are unable to access the application or have difficulties submitting it, please contact the Enrollment Office at (715) 852-3063 or visit **500 Main St. 54701 Downtown, Eau Claire**

Enrollment Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m.

PLANNING ON MOVING?

If you know you will be moving out of the Robbins attendance area soon or over the summer, please contact Amy Gonyea at 715-852-4600 as soon as possible. This will allow us to begin the process of setting up your child's needs at their next school.

Thank you!

SCHOOL NURSE UPDATE**Restricted Physical Activity:**

If a child must stay inside from recess or sit out from Physical Education class for medical reasons, parents are required to send a note from a health care provider detailing the period of time of restricted activity.

If you have any questions about these guidelines, please contact your child's school nurse for further direction.

Sick Child Guidelines:

In an effort to maintain the good health of all of our students, please refrain from sending your child to school if they are sick. This will reduce the overall number of illnesses among the students.

If a child exhibits any of the following symptoms at school, a parent/guardian/emergency contact will be notified to come and pick up the student:

- Temperature of 100.4° or more
- Diarrhea
- Vomiting
- Persistent coughing
- Draining or spreading rash

Please keep your child home if he/she currently has or has had any of these symptoms in the last 12 hours.

If you have any questions about these guidelines, please contact your child's school nurse. If you have any questions about your child's symptoms, please contact your child's primary care provider.

5TH GRADE PARENT MUSIC INFO

The date highlighted in red was added due to recent snow day cancelations.

As 5th grade students select their middle school music choice, parents and students need to attend **ONE** beginner band, orchestra, or choir meeting depending on their music choice. Please attend **one** of the following:

Band: Monday, Feb. 18 @ 6:30 PM—SOUTH Auditorium

Chorus: Monday, Feb. 11 @ 6:30 PM—SOUTH Choir Room

Orchestra: Monday, Feb. 11 @ 6:30 PM ~ SOUTH Orchestra Room

Or Thursday, Feb. 14 @ 6:30 PM ~ NORTHSTAR Middle School

For questions, contact Lori Olsen, Dept. Chair, 715-852-5309, email: lolsen@ecasd.us

SAFETY REMINDER

We would like to start off with a great big "THANK YOU!" to those who are sharing our parking lots. We understand the traffic routes around school are congested, and with the help of the City of Eau Claire, construction architects, and our own Buildings and Grounds Department, we have experienced success getting kids to and from cars safely in the past. That, of course, continues to be everyone's goal.

These past few weeks have been more challenging given the snowy conditions and cold weather. We are experiencing an increase in students being picked up/dropped off in the south parking lot. With that should come a heightened awareness of safety for all. The 500 kids around school ask that each of us drive with each of them in mind. While we are searching to pick up a child or two of our own, please be reminded there are other kids around as well and other cars.

To that end, we need to have the same understanding about traffic flow. Please use only the south parking lot for picking up/dropping off students. Parking is not allowed on the street that wraps around the school, for it is only one lane going each way and is the route our buses must use to get into the west parking lot. Additionally, unattended cars are not allowed along the curb in the pickup lane. We ask that drivers follow all driving laws, use the south

lot for picking kids up and not do U-turns, park in areas not designated for parking, park on the street, block parking spots, block handicapped parking spots, or block traffic. Please know we continue to monitor the situation.

As for the west parking lot, it is reserved for the buses and staff/visitors who are here for a longer period of time and is far from the student drop-off/pick-up site and main entrance.

Again, THANKS for your considerate driving and focus on safety. If not for any other reason, let's hope spring comes quickly!

RCU SCHOOL \$ENSE WANTS YOUR CHILD TO LOVE SAVING

We LOVE learning about money!

Many students get to enjoy an extra day off of school on the third Monday of February in honor of President's Day. This day recognizes our first President, George Washington's birthday on February 22, but it is also close to Abraham Lincoln's birthday, which is February 12. Both men played such important roles in our country that we have also honored them by putting their images on our money. George Washington is on both a coin (the quarter) and currency (\$1 bill). Abraham Lincoln is also on a coin (the penny) and currency (\$5 bill).



Did you know that it's against the law for a living president to have their image printed on U.S. currency? This dates back to Washington's refusal to have his portrait printed on the U.S. dollar. In 1866, this tradition was made law by an act of Congress.

Abraham Lincoln was the first president to be featured on a U.S. coin. Minted in 1909, "Lincoln Pennies" were only meant to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Lincoln's birth. However, the coins proved so popular that they just never stopped minting them!



Of course we haven't forgotten that we also celebrate Valentine's Day in February! Since we LOVE to see students saving at Royal Credit Union School \$ense, our special reward this month will be prize bags randomly awarded to two savers depositing on Wednesday, February 13!

The Robbins Royal School \$ense is open every Wednesday at lunch to help your child develop good saving habits. If you have any questions about the Royal School \$ense program please contact Diana Rohlik at 715-855-5471 or diana.rohlik@rcu.org.

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ECASD REMINDER

A message from our District about inclement weather days:

We have used all our days set aside for inclement weather. As a result, school will be in session on April 22nd, 2019. We still have to account for additional instructional time that students have missed and may miss as the winter months continue. Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Hardebeck, will be discussing options to address loss of this instruction time at the February 18th, 2019 School Board meeting. Thanks for your understanding and patience as we move forward.

MONTHLY EVENTS:

February 21st: NO SCHOOL - Parent Teacher Conferences from 8:00 am – 8:00pm

February 22nd: NO SCHOOL – Mid-winter break

February 25th: NO SCHOOL – Staff Development

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Check out our website for more information!

<http://www.ecasd.us/Robbins-Elementary/Home>
www.ecasd.us

Robbins Facebook Page can be accessed by clicking on the Facebook Icon on Robbins School webpage.

It's a great way to see what Robbins students are learning so "Like Us" on Facebook and see the great things our students are doing.

Nondiscrimination Clause

The Eau Claire Area School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability.