

Grand Ridge Grade School

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~NEWSLETTER~



Ted Sanders, Supt. — Terry Ahearn, Principal
"Large enough to educate you, small enough to know you."

May 6- 12, 2018

"I expect to pass through life but once. If therefore there can be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to a fellow being, let me do it now, and do not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again."—William Penn

Teacher Appreciation Week

This week (May 7-11th) is teacher appreciation week. We are so proud of our teachers and the hard work they do each day. We celebrate them and their accomplishments. We also honor and celebrate the following teachers for being awarded the *Excellence in Education* award at the ROE #35 Excellence in Education Banquet held on May 3rd:

Dan Mulinazzi, JH Special Education Teacher
Kara Ericzon, 5th Grade Teacher
Peggy Baxter, Title I Paraprofessional
Retiring Educator Award
Marge Fulton, 4th Grade teacher with 25 years at GR

Mother's Day

Another group of people who deserve our love and respect are the mothers out there. Mother's Day will be celebrated on Sunday, May 13th, but it really should be celebrated more often throughout the year. Mothers form the foundation of love, empathy, and kindness for their children as shown through their selfless actions and hard work they do for their family. Strong families are needed now more than ever, and good mothers have perhaps the most important role in shaping their children's lives and personalities. We appreciate our mothers and want them to know they too are loved.

Closing Thoughts

As we draw closer to the end of the school year, we look back at the challenges, trials, and joys we celebrated. This year has really gone by faster than most due to the very busy schedule of events. The quote above reminds us that we pass this way but once. William Penn, for whom Pennsylvania was named, understood that this life is short. We should take every opportunity to help those around us, relieve pain and suffering in the world, provide wisdom and guidance to young people, and shine a light of joy into the hearts of the depressed or downtrodden.

Our teachers and staff do just that every day. Of all professions, teaching is one of the most noble. When approached correctly, we can find ways to help a child learn who they really are and what they want to be in the future. Teachers point out the most beautiful, teach the best qualities, and open a world of knowledge to children that they may never see otherwise. Most teachers only get to be with their students for a few years, then the students move on; but watching these young adults come back to the school and hug their teachers and share stories with them about how they impacted their lives, touches a special place in the heart.

We wish a Happy Mother's Day to everyone who has earned that title. Enjoy yourselves and know how much you are appreciated for the hard work you do.

Have A Great Week!!!!



Star-of-the-Quarter:

The 3rd Quarter 2018 Honorees Are...

Kindergarten: Anna Reed

1st Grade: Ruby Dittmer

2nd Grade: Garrett Christensen

3rd Grade: Libbey Kerekes

4th Grade: Payton Blakemore

5th Grade: Caden Walter

6th Grade: Alyssa Purifoy

7th Grade: Reagan Bush

8th Grade: Brian Gutierrez

Congratulations!

Grand Ridge Academic Team

Congratulations to Ryan Seibert, Reagan Bush, Ben Domoleczny, Steven Hladovcak, Declan O'Connor and Franchesca Rodriguez on being our regional champions!

The Academic Team defeated Woodland 150-185. They defeated Saunemin 85-145. In the championship round, they defeated Flanagan 105-135.

Toss-up totals:

Reagan-2

Ben-4

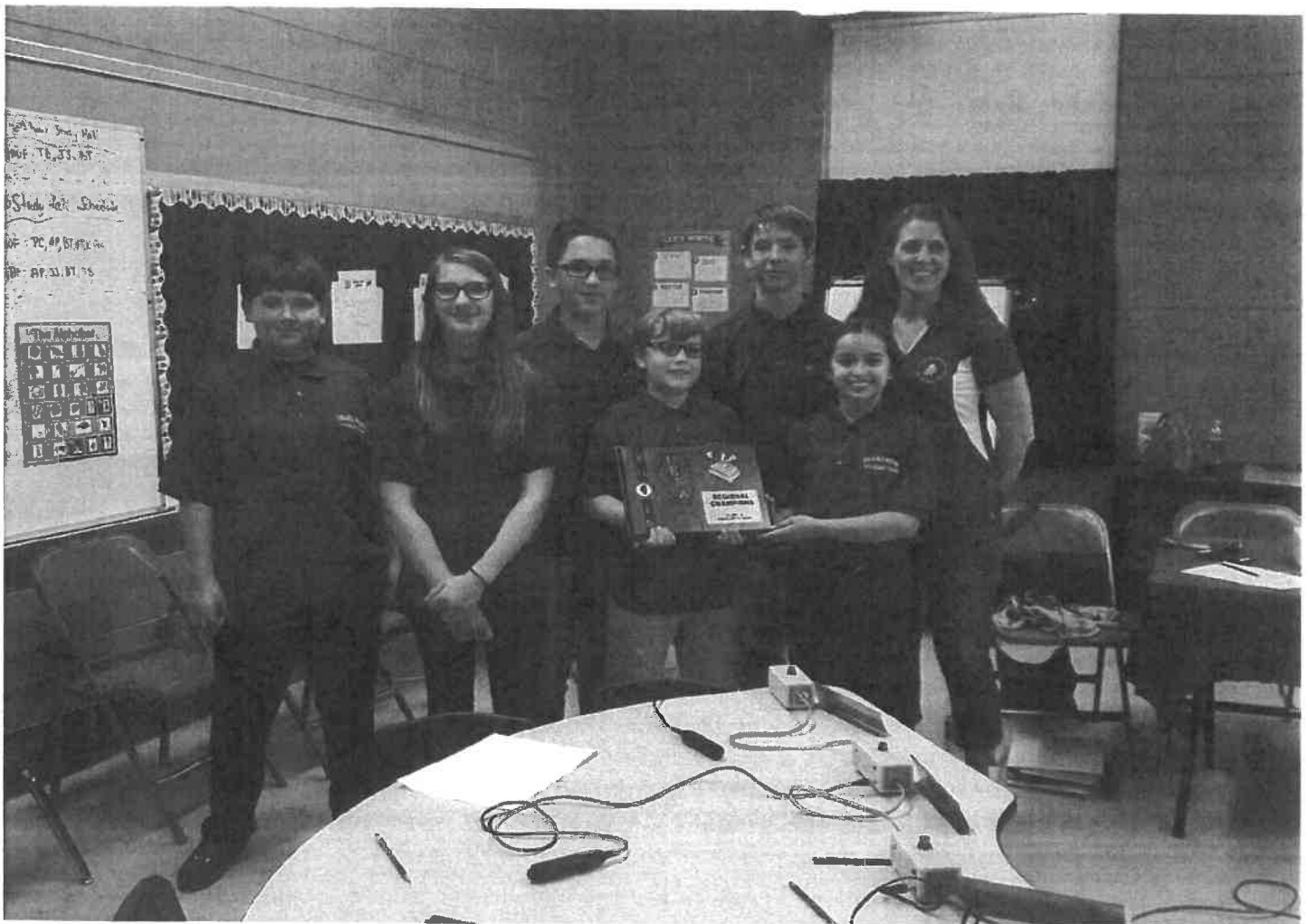
Declan-4

Franchesca-5

Leading all scorers: Steven-9

It takes more than a toss up to win a match.
It takes teamwork and a good captain who can think quickly and make good decisions.
It takes someone to tell you YOU CAN!

Congratulations TEAM!



GRADUATION

8th Grade Graduation Ceremony **Wednesday, May 30TH ~ 7:00 pm**



****Spring Concert - Thursday, May 17 @
6:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room**

(Fifth Grade Choir, JH Choir & Band will perform)

****** Music classes are co-curricular. Information learned in Music Class each week is applied to our programs. Daily participation and performance attendance play an integral part in each students grade. Please plan to attend!!

FALL SPORTS MEETING

**FALL SPORTS INFORMATIONAL MEETING FOR
BASEBALL, SOFTBALL, CHEERLEADING AND
GIRLS BASKETBALL**

MAY 16TH - 5:15 P.M. - MULTI PURPOSE ROOM

Talent Show Tryouts

DATE: Monday May 14th

TIME: 3:00-4:00 p.m.

WHERE: Music Room

**Have your ride ready to pick you up!*

**Students grades 3-8 only*

**No lip syncing!*

**3 minute time limit*

**Sign up outside of the music room & see Mrs. Sanders if you have questions!*



Calendar of Events

*Tuesday May 8 - 2nd Grade Field Trip
4th Grade Field Trip
School Board Meeting 7p.m.*

Wednesday May 9 - 2:20 Dismissal

*Friday May 11 - Track State
Kindergarten Field Trip*

Special Birthdays

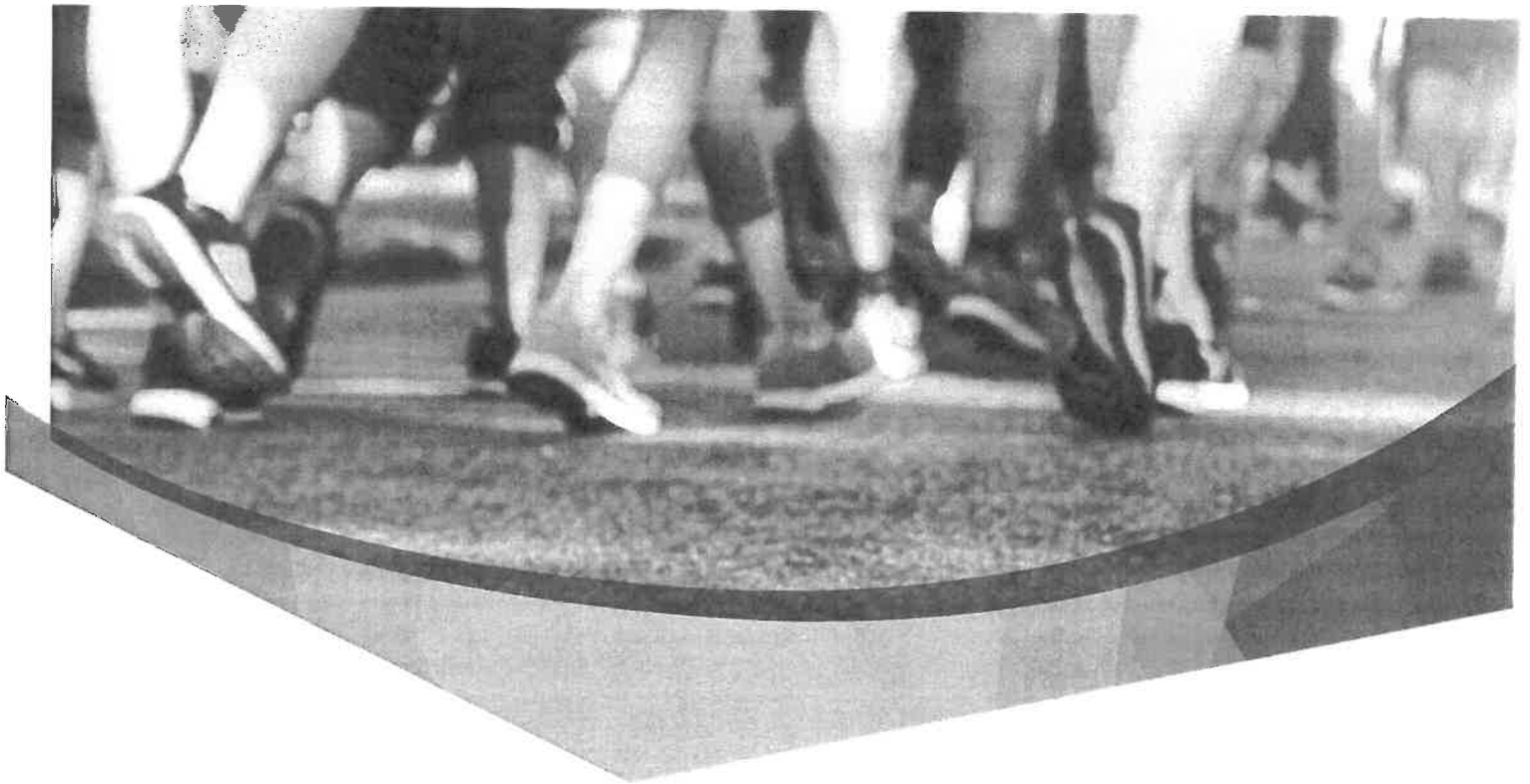
May 6	May 7 Mrs. Bucalo	May 8 Taylor Bockelman	May 9 Blake Fialko Harlyn Hettelle Dylan Tredway	May 10 Oliver Kearfott	May 11 Mrs. Sanders Mason Jaegle	May 12
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BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENU

	Monday May 7	Tuesday May 8	Wednesday May 9	Thursday May 10	Friday May 11
Breakfast Menu	Biscuit w/ Jelly Granola Bar Fruit Juice	Cereal Cheese Toast Fruit Juice	Cereal Banana Bread Fruit Juice	Mini Cinnis Yogurt Fruit Juice	Breakfast Boat or Sausage Biscuit Fruit Juice
Lunch Menu	Grilled Cheese Tomato Soup Applesauce Crackers	Brunch for Lunch French Toast Sticks Hashbrowns Fruit Condiments	Sub of the Day Ham / Turkey / Cheese Hoagie Wedges Fruit Condiments	Cheeseburger or Breaded Pork Chop Sandwich Carrots Fruit Condiments	Hot Dog on Bun Baked Beans Fruit Condiments

May 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 2nd Grade Field Trip 4th Grade Field Trip 7p School Board Meeting	2 2:20 Dismissal	3 Track @ OHS 4:30 p.m.	4 Track State Kindergarten Trip	5 Track Sectionals Cinco de Mayo
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 <i>Mother's Day</i>	14	15	16 6p All Sports Banquet 2:20 Dismissal	17 6 p.m. 5 - 8 Band / Choir Concert	18	19
20	21 5th Grade Field Trip	22 8th gr. Awards Ceremony / Graduation Walk 7:30 a.m. Honors Breakfast	23 2:20 Dismissal	24	25 3rd Grade Field Trip 6,7,8 Grade Field Trips	26
27	28 Memorial Day No School	29 Field Day	30 * Graduation 7 p.m. * 2:20 Dismissal	31 End of Quarter Report Cards Talent Show 11:50 a.m. Dismissal		



SPORTS PHYSICALS

Streator Township High School • Thursday, May 31 • 1-4 p.m.
Physicians, athletic trainers, nurses and clinical support on site

Each student is required to bring:

- Completed consent form
- Completed IHSA form
- \$25 payment (cash or check) – make checks payable to OSF HealthCare. Proceeds will be donated to Streator Township High School's Booster Club.

For more information or to download and print the required forms, please visit osfhealthcare.org/yourteam.

For financial assistance, contact the STHS Athletic Department at (815) 672-0545.

Call (815) 431-5746, Ext. 70125 to schedule your appointment today. Walk-ins accepted.



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HEALTHCARE



*Provided by OSF HealthCare and
Streator Township High School*

Please note: A sports physical does not meet the requirement for an incoming freshman's school physical. Parents should contact their child's primary care doctor or pediatrician to schedule a school physical, as immunization records are required.

***Summer
Reading
For Families***



Where: School Library

When: Monday's in July

**Time: 10:00-12:00 or
1:00-2:30**

Games, crafts, books

**Return books or check out
new books on Wed.'s
in July**

NEW!!!

GRAB & GO

Jr.High, Teens and Adults

**Stop by for a
visit, grab a book
for the week and
enjoy a good
Summer Read.**

**Bring a book,
take a book, or just borrow.**

Wednesday's

In July

**Time: 11:00-12
or**

1:00-2:00

