REBEL NEWSLETTER

WEEKLY SCHOOL NEWS

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT 30	11:30 am Dismissal
NOV 03	Hearing & Vision Screening ***(Info pg.3)***
NOV 07	Annual Chili Supper! (PFK Hosted)
NOV 11	Veterans Day Assembly
NOV 12	NJHS Induction Ceremony
NOV 16	Hearing & Vision Rescreen Fall/Winter Sports & Club Pictures
NOV 20	Dental Sealants & More
NOV 25-27	No School - Thanksgiving Break
NOV 30	Jr High Deck the Halls - STUCO Hosted
DEC 10	Winter Concert: K-4 6:00 pm, 5-8 7:15 pm
DEC 11	11:30 am Dismissal
DEC 14-16	Santa Shop (PFK Hosted)

Nick Beard, Principal / nbeard@rankin98.org
School Website: www.rankin98.org
Join us on Facebook!

Teacher Ease—Parent Portal

Click Here

Visit our parent portal to view your students' grades, assignments, attendance, and fees.

Fees can be paid online through **Illinois e-Pay** or in the office with cash or a check.

REQUEST FOR PRE-APPROVAL OF STUDENT ABSENCE FORM :
Please remember to complete a request form when you know ahead of time that your student will be absent.

Cold Weather Reminder!

The temperatures are cooling down, and our kids LOVE being outside! Please be sure to send your student(s) with appropriate cold-weather gear to stay warm while playing outdoors.
If your family needs assistance obtaining a coat for your student, please contact the school office.
Thank you for helping us keep our students warm and comfortable!

Happy Halloween

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: NOV 2ND-7TH

Athletic Schedules

Visit our website for full calendar details.

MON	5:00 pm	Boys Basketball Game AWAY at Monroe Girls Basketball Game HOME vs Midwest Central
TUES	3:00 pm	JH Homework Help Boys Basketball Practice Girls Basketball Practice
WED	7:00 am	5th Gr Band Practice (Woodwind)
	5:00 pm	Boys Basketball Game HOME vs Robein Girls Basketball Game AWAY at Pleasant Hill
THURS	7:00 am	5th Gr Band Practice (Brass)
	3:00 pm	Boys Basketball Practice
	3:00 pm	JH Homework Help Boys Basketball Practice Science Club
	5:00 pm	Girls Basketball Game HOME at Monroe
FRI		Pep Band for Game (Rankin JH and PCHS)
	3:00 pm	Boys Basketball Practice Girls Basketball Practice

NURSE NOTES

October starts Influenza season.

Protect your family from illness by getting your flu vaccine by Halloween!



REPORT STUDENT ABSENCE
If your student is absent, please be sure to contact our attendance line: 309-346-3182, opt 2

Rx Dr Notes are encouraged with any visit.

Nicole Washkowiak, Nurse
nwashkowiak@rankin98.org

MISC NEWS



Dental Sealants & More
Get into the Swing of Better Dental Health

Information Packets on this program have been sent home. If you would like your child to participate, please return the completed form to school by: ***Fri, Nov 6th.***

PARENTS FOR KIDS GROUP

UPCOMING EVENT: *ANNUAL CHILI SUPPER NOV 7, 5-7 PM*
INVITE YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS TO JOIN US FOR A FUN EVENING OF CHILI, GAMES, & RAFFLES!

JOIN US!

SEE MORE INFO BELOW ABOUT THE TREAT WALK.
WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS.
CONTACT US TO SEE HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED: PFK@RANKIN98.ORG
Thanks so much to alll who have donated items + time to make this a great event!

REBEL PIT STOP

We serve delicious options for Breakfast and Lunch! Check out what's on the Menu!!

NOVEMBER MENU Click Here

Energize Your Day! Eat School Breakfast



CONTACT THE OFFICE: 309-346-3182 rankinoffice@rankin98.org

Rankin PFK Chili Supper

Treat Walk

Welcoming Back the Original Fan Favorite Tradtion
Now Accepting:HOMEMADE treats!

Are you a Baker/Cake/Cookie Decorator?
Donate your HOMEMADE treats &
cakes/cupcakes for our treat walk!

Not a fan of baking but still enjoy a good treat? Store/Restaurant Bakery goodies work just as well!

Donations can be dropped off

- In the Rankin front office during the school day starting Thursday November **5th** & Friday November **6th**

OR

- After school in the Rankin gym on Friday, November **6th** 3:30- 7pm

All treats must have a label or card attached describing what it is & list any allergens



BREAKING NEWS!

Thank you for helping make our event so sweet! The Treat Walk has been made possible for many years because of our generous donors!

RANKIN REBELS

Rankin School District #98
13716 S. 5th St.
Pekin, IL 61554
Tel (309) 346-3182 Fax (309) 346-7928

Notification of Vision/Hearing Screening

Children do not know how they are supposed to see or hear. Therefore, they may not complain about poor vision or hearing. Each year your school provides screening to ensure children are seeing and hearing optimally for their growth and learning. This is done in accordance to the IL Rules and Regulations of the Child Vision and Hearing Test Act. ***In the event you are unable to participate in this free service provided, it will be your responsibility to ensure your child does not have vision and/or hearing deficits.***

The screening dates for 2026/ 2027 school year will be:
November 3rd, 2026 with a rescreen date of November 16th, 2026

Those who ***have been referred*** **for hearing** by School Sight & Sound, Inc. at previous screens will receive yearly hearing monitoring as needed. ***Students who are new to the district, attend any special education classes, or are referred by a teacher*** **will be screened for both vision and hearing along with the following grades:**

Vision Screens:
Kindergarten (if they don't have an exam on file to meet entrance requirements)
2nd Grade
8th Grade

Hearing Screens:
Kindergarten
1st Grade
2nd Grade
3rd Grade

"Vision screening is not a substitute for a complete eye and vision evaluation by an eye doctor. Your child is *not* required to undergo this vision screening if an optometrist or ophthalmologist has completed and signed a report form indicating that an examination has been administered within the previous 12 months." (Section 27-8.1 of the School Code)

Lori Leskovisek and Deanna Frye, administrators of School Sight & Sound, Inc. are certified by the Illinois Department of Public Health (IDPH) as vision and hearing screening technicians. They are, for this purpose, considered "school officials" as they conduct a program that has "legitimate educational interest". Under the State codes 99.31 and 99.7, as school officials, they are authorized to share screening results with the school office since these results have legitimate educational interest. School Sight & Sound, Inc. will notify parents/guardians if a child is recommended for further testing.

This service has proven to be very valuable in discovering those children who may be struggling academically due to vision and hearing needs. Although this service is meant to benefit your child, it is your right to refuse it for religious purposes. According to the Child Vision and Hearing Test Act, a written statement of objection must be submitted by any parent/guardian who chooses to not have their child tested. (410 ILCS 205/6)

Sincerely,

