The Vision: The mission of ASAP @ RPS, After School Achievement Program, is to provide educational and enrichment activities for area youth and their families.

21st Century Community Learning Centers

PROGRAM GOALS:

♦ Increase academic achievement in reading, math and science

♦ Provide opportunities for students to participate in enrichment activities in a safe, non-violent environment

♦ Enhance school/family/community partnerships in support of life-time learning

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April 24-28th marked After School Professionals Appreciation Week. We do thank all our after school employees, teachers and agency staff, who work with all of our students to offer academic and enrichment activities, keeping our students in a safe environment! The staff’s dedication to our students and programming ensure we have a quality, successful after school program!

The ASAP @ RPS after school programs will be ending for this year in May. Please watch your site’s notes home to be sure you know when the program ends.

We will have the program next year at the same sites.

Check with your school at August registration to learn if your child has been recommended for enrollment in the after school program. Complete the enrollment form at registration day!

Students have been given surveys to bring home to parents for our end of the year evaluation. Please take the time to complete the survey and return it. We do want your input for helping us to look at our programs and to make improvements! If you have suggestions, please write them on the survey and return them to school.

Thank you for all of your support! It has been our privilege to work with your students each day.
Spring has finally sprung and the kids are very excited to get outdoors. There is still a chill in the air, so please remember to send a light jacket or sweater along with your child.

I am so excited to talk about our Upcoming Talent/Fashion Show! We had tryouts for this event and it is happening. Showtime is Friday, May 19th from 4:00pm-6:00pm. If your child has been chosen to participate, you should have or will be contacted soon. Please help us to make this a successful event by showing up and letting us show out.

Also I want to mention that our last day here at Lewis Lemon for the 21st Century After School Achievement Program is May 12th. The Rockford Park District will be here, offering after-school activities beginning May 15th. Registration is required for this program. If you registered at the beginning of the school year then rest assured, your child’s place in the program still stands. There is still time left to register for those that haven't already taken advantage of the program. Registration is $30; fee assistance is available for those that qualify. There is no transportation from this program. It is the parent/guardian’s responsibility to transport their student from the program.

If you have any questions please feel free to call me at (815-988-1205).

I want to thank Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Mr. Cole, Burpee Museum, Rockford Area Arts Council, all my teachers, paras and program assistants for helping us make this 2016-2017 school-year a success.

Parents,
I would like to thank you again for being supportive of the After School Program here at McIntosh this year. Our last events for the year will be a field trip on May 18th to the Discovery Center. We will also be hosting a movie day here at the school on May 12th.

To the 5th graders of McIntosh School, stay focused when you go to middle school. It was great having you all in the after school program. Believe in your dreams!

Our Graduating 5th graders:
Hassan Bates
Jykwavion Blaylock
LeSean Bradley
Saevon Clark
Nazadia Flores-Alvarez
Kateara Friar
Marcus Hart, Jr.
Maizia Hodges
Omarion Johnson
Carlos Lara
Keith Lindell
Naire Locke
Maniel Malwal
Josephine McGuire
Lyasia Nelson
Isaiah Schaible
Joshua Tilson
LaMarkiz Traver
Jayden Wilson
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Important!!!!

Rockford Public Schools have established an exclusion date as the First Day of School with which to meet the requirements for health examinations and immunizations.

Health Exams: A student must have a physical health examination within one year prior to entering:
- Preschool program, Kindergarten, Sixth Grade, Ninth Grade
- New students who register after the first day of school shall have 30 days to comply.

Immunizations: Students must show proof of basic immunizations and required boosters for Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis, Polio, Red Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Haemophilus Influenza Type B (for preschool only), Varicella (preschool through 12th grades) Meningococcal (6th, 7th, and 12th graders), Pneumococcal (24-59 months), Hepatitis B (preschool and 6th—12th grades). Students in grades 6-12 must show proof of Tdap vaccine.

Lead Screening: Students entering pre-school and kindergarten must show proof of lead screening. Mandatory for students living in ZIP codes 61101, 02, 03 and 04.

Dental Exam: All children in K, 2nd and 6th grades are required to have an oral health exam prior to May 15th of the school year.

Eye Exam: All children enrolling in Kindergarten and any student enrolling for the first time are required to have an eye exam before the first day of school.

Make an appointment:

These required health examinations, immunizations and lead screening may be obtained at the doctor’s office or clinic of your choice, including:
- your child’s primary care physician
- The Winnebago County Health Department: 815-720-4000 (Immunizations only)
- Ronald McDonald Care Mobile: 815-971-5800, ext. 5
- Crusader Community Health Auburn Campus, the school-based health center at Auburn High School: 815-490-1600

Rockford Public Library Summer Reading Library Reading By Design
June 3–August 25

Families can sign up for Reading By Design at any Rockford Public Library location.

Kick—off Open House party will be at:
- East Branch, 6885 E. State Street, Saturday, June 3, 10AM-12PM
- Rock River Branch, 3128 11th Street, Tuesday, June 6, 1PM-3PM
- Montague, 1238 S. Winnebago Street, Friday, June 9, 10AM-12PM

T-shirts will be available to all who sign up for the Children’s Club at all three locations (until they are all gone).

Students who read five books each month will win the prize of the month!

Parents, If you received a letter inviting your student to participate in Camp Journey, please return your form to your school!

Rockford Public Library Young Adult Zone/Main Library Ages 13-19

Teen Crafternoon
Fridays, May 19-August 25, 3-6pm
Fun, fresh crafts each Friday; supplies provided

Teen Volunteer Tuesdays
Tuesdays, June 6-August 15, 2-4pm
Are you a teen looking for volunteer opportunities for school credit? Or do you have some spare time this summer and want to help others