



NEWSLETTER

Spelling Bee Winner / Runner Up



After 17 rounds, our talented spelling bee participants were down to two. Kathryn misspelled **onyx**. Kylie spelled **anecdotes** correctly and then went on to spell **catapults** for the win. Kylee will now represent S.A.M.S in the County Spelling Bee at Wyneken on Tuesday, February 4 at 6:30 p.m.

S.A. Kindergarten Information Needed for 25/26

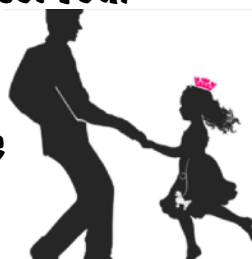
If you are planning to send your child to South Adams for kindergarten in the fall, please email Sue Shoaf at sshoaf@southadams.k12.in.us with the following information: Child's Full Name, Date of Birth, Parent/Guardian, Address, Phone Number, Email

A child must be 5 years old on or before August 1, 2025. Kindergarten roundup is planned for Tuesday, April 8 from 4:00-6:30 p.m.

Daddy/Daughter Dance

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, February 8**. We will have a Daddy/Daughter Dance at South Adams Elementary School from **6-8 p.m.** for elementary girls and their dads (or a significant other). The cost will be **\$15** per couple (add **\$5** for each additional daughter) if prepaid. The cost will go up at the door. Light refreshments will be served.

Raffle tickets will be sold at the door for **\$1**. There will be several prizes including **White Cottage, Fulton & Main, Alpine Rose, Nora Gray**, and more. **Extra Registration Forms** are in the office.



Breakfast is Available at S.A.

The South Adams Cafeteria serves breakfast every day that school is on a normal schedule from **7:20-7:55 a.m.** If we have a delay, breakfast will **NOT** be served. Breakfast is **\$1.70** for paid students and **\$.030** for reduced meal price students, and **FREE** for qualifying students.

We serve a variety of whole grain items including hot and cold breakfast entries along with nutritious fruit, low fat dairy, and juice options.

Reduce your morning stress and have your students eat breakfast at school. Start the day strong...Starfire strong.

Calendar



January 13-February 28

WIDA Access Testing Window

Monday, January 20

MLK Day (Make Up Day). We will have school.

3rd grade ELA Testing

MS Girls Basketball at Monroe Central - 6 p.m.

Tuesday, January 21

3rd Grade iLearn Check point 2 - Math - a.m.

Thursday, January 23

MS Boys B-ball at Jay County-6 p.m.

MS Girls B-ball vs. Jay County (home) - 5:30 p.m.

MS Wrestling at Delta MS - 5:30 p.m.

Friday, January 24

3rd grade to the Shrine Circus (lv. at 8:10/return at 1 p.m.)

Saturday, January 25

MS AC Boys Basketball Tourney at A.C. - 9 a.m.

Monday, January 27

MS Girls and Boys ACAC Basketball Tournaments - TBD

Tuesday, January 28

4th grade iLearn Check point #2 for ELA

Wednesday, January 29

4th grade iLearn Checkpoint #2 for math

Thursday, January 30

MS Wrestling vs. Norwell (home) - 5 p.m.

Friday, January 31

Quarter 3 Mid-Term Date

Monday, February 3

Incoming Freshman Orientation/CTE Showcase in the HS Commons/ Auditorium from 5-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, February 5

Staff PD Day / NO eLearning for students

MS Swimming vs. Belmont (home) - 5:30 p.m.

January Reading Challenge for Elementary & Middle School

Each student received a reading challenge from the library. Students must complete at least 12 reading tasks to choose a prize from the library's prize box. Complete at least 20 items for an entry to win the grand prize. Complete all 25 items for 2 entries to win the grand prize.

The Grand Prize is a fleece blanket, book light, and books.



South Adams Elementary School

Yearbooks are on Sale for \$25.

Order your yearbook by March 20. **Make checks payable to: South Adams Schools**

Student's Name _____ Home Room _____ Grade _____

Number of Yearbooks Desired _____ Total Payment (attached) _____

Online orders will be taken until April 25, 2025 at www.schoolannual.com

Click on "Buy My Student's Yearbook"

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MS/HS Yearbook

24/25 MS/HS yearbooks can be purchased online at <http://jostens.com/ybksm>. For the 3rd year, the middle school students will be included in the high school yearbook.



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2025 PBS KIDS WRITERS CONTEST!

This marks the 26th year we have participated in the PBS Kids Writers Contest. The rules are similar to previous years — kindergarten through fifth grade may write stories for the contest. One change is that there is a minimum word requirement, but no limit to the word count, as in previous years.

Story Requirements:

Word requirements (Notice the change-there is no word count range-only a minimum word count):

Kindergarten and First Grade—Minimum 50 words

Second and Third Grade—Minimum 100 words

Fourth and Fifth Grade—Minimum 150 words



Story may be fact, fiction, prose, or poetry

Story text and pictures should be on one side of the paper and numbered on the back of each page

Stories should have a MINIMUM of 5 original, clear and colorful illustrations. Artwork can include drawings, photos, collages, and author-created 3D. Photos must be taken by the student author.

Story text may be printed, written legibly, or typed.

Children who cannot write may dictate their story to an adult. Invented spelling is accepted.

Each story needs to have the following parts to be complete:

***Official signed entry form page**

***Title Page**

***Story**

Stories are due before Wednesday, April 16. A committee will select stories from each classroom that will go on to PBS 39. If you have questions, please contact your child's teacher.

Snowcoming Dress Up Days

Monday, January 20 - PJ Day

Tuesday, January 21 - Winter Hat/Sweater Day

Wednesday, January 22 - USA Day

Thursday, January 23 - Olympic Colors Day

Friday, January 24 - Jersey Day



8th Grade Girls Basketball



M.S. Robotics

Robotics secured its first victory ever with a Skills Challenge win at the Jay County League last Tuesday night. The team of Douglas Plas, Foster Studebaker, and Jacob Liechty now stand 25th in Indiana's Skills Rankings! The other teams included James Lehman, Jamison Patterson, Ryder Schug, and Isaac



Mettler. They showed good improvement and ended up in the match finals tied for 2nd, 3rd, and 7th place which placed each team in the upper half of all league teams. Colten Baumgartner, Courtney Arnold, and Landry Moser were unable to compete Tuesday night but have contributed all season to help secure those spots! Great work team!

South Adams Cheerleading Clinic Basketball Season '25

Clinic Dates:

Monday, Jan 27th 5:30-7:30pm THEME: Love Bugs
Wednesday, Jan 29th 5:30-7:30pm THEME: Sweethearts Candy
Saturday, Feb 1st 6:00-7:30pm THEME: Pretty in Pink (& Gold)

Where:

Monday – SA Elementary Gym
Wednesday – SA Elementary Gym
Saturday – SAHS Commons

Who:

Students in grades Preschool – 5th Grade

Game Night:

Saturday, February 1st @ 7:30pm

Drop Off/Pickup:

Monday – SA South Circle Drives (Door S17)
Wednesday – SA South Circle Drives (Door S17)
Saturday – SAHS Commons (S12)

Cost:

\$30.00 per child *Includes a t-shirt
Additional \$5 Bow **OPTIONAL**
Additional \$10 Pom-Poms **OPTIONAL**

DEADLINE: Wednesday, January 22nd at 11:59pm (shirts are not guaranteed for late registrants)

Join our Facebook page to stay up to date with information, announcements, & pictures!
Search “South Adams Cheer Clinics 2024-2025” and ask to join!

Contact the South Adams Cheerleading Coaches at southadamscheer@gmail.com if you have questions.

❄️!!!ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE!!!❄️

Registration are ALL online via Google Forms.
Please scan the QR code below to register...7

***SA Cheer fan gear is also available! You'll be provided a link to shop at the end of the registration form!*



Return the attached registration form with payment to the elementary school office by 01/24/25.

Participant's Name(s): _____

Amount Enclosed (*Don't forget to add bows & poms if applicable): _____

Thank you for supporting the South Adams Cheerleading program!