**State Test**

by Dr. Ferrell

From April 8 – April 11, all students will be administered the Illinois Assessment of Readiness (IAR) state test. Also, fifth and eighth grade students will be administered the Illinois Science Assessments (ISA) as well. Families you can help prepare our students with us by making certain they are at school by 8:40am, seeing that they eat a breakfast, and by encouraging them to do their best!

2nd and 3rd Quarter Honor Roll Celebrations

Distinguished Honor Roll is the highest honor roll you can achieve here at McKinley Schools. When you achieve Distinguished Honor Roll that means you have achieved straight A’s in all classes, grade point average of 4.0. During the 2nd Quarter, we celebrated these students by providing Lunch with the Principal! The administrative team provided students with pizza, juice, and chips. Students enjoyed eating and spending time with the Principals.

On April 4th, we will have our annual third quarter honors recognition. The elementary assembly is from 9:30am to
10:30am and the Junior High assembly is from 1:45pm to 2:45pm.

Father Daughter Dance

McKinley Schools hosted our annual Father daughter dance on February 23. The fathers and daughters got to engage in games to win prizes. We enjoyed a spread of delicious food, with yummy dessert treats. The evening was truly a night to remember! We appreciate all families who attended this event! Thank you to all parent volunteers and staff members who helped making this night successful!

Black History Month Celebration

This year Black history month theme was “For the Culture”. Students got to wear their “For the Culture” shirts on Wednesday’s throughout the entire month of February. We ended Black History month with a bang. We had our annual Assembly on February 23rd. Students showcased their talents, with singing, poetry and dancing. We had special performance featuring former McKinley alumni that are now Thornwood Students. Ms. Perkins brought our drill team! Thank you too all performers who participated in the celebration of Black History Month. Everyone who was involved with putting on a great show, you rock!

7th Grade Boys Basketball

Congratulations to the boy’s basketball team for placing 3rd place in the IESA State Finals! Special thank you to the coaches Mr. Ingram and Mr. Specia for their all of hard work and dedication this season!

Student Council

We have 14 students on student council! Student council is all about making sure the students voices are heard! Listed below you will find all of officers for McKinley Schools:

- President of Student Council - Sofiat Eji-Lasisi
- Vice President - Melanie Peinado
- Treasurer - Nava Owens
- Secretary - Jamarea Weatherspoon
- 8th grade Representatives: Alaina Barnett and Amaya Walker
- 7th grade Representatives: Rhayanna Ousley and Aranzazu Munoz
- 6th grade Representatives: Amani Harrington and Amira Harrington
- 5th grade Representatives: Heaven Rodgers and Ariana Whitaker
- 4th grade Representatives: Makylah Chatman and Michael Watson

Keep up the great work students!

100th Day Of School

Elementary students have been busy since the very first day of school counting up the day until the 100th day of school. Students have been busy collecting 100 items to bring to class. Mrs. Deyoung class had a celebration to commence the 100th day of school! Congratulations on being 100 days smarter.
Jazz Fest Concert

McKinley Band students attended the Jazz Fest Concert at Prairie State College. Students were able to get hands on lessons with artists that were featured at the night concert. Students played the piano, guitar, drums, and the saxophone.

VIP Criteria

When you earn VIP...

You must have a c or better in all of your classes.

Displays behavior that represents McKinley’s finest!

February V.I.Ps

Micheal Watson
Essence Gibson
Rayshawn McNeil
Madison Griffin
Christen Mitchell
Zaria Sesson
Davell Holden
Skye Watson
Jeremiah Hillard
Michae Wesley
Nicholas Hudson
Darell Sanders
Asani Taylor
Makia Summers
Miaja White
Victoria Collins
Chioma Egwuogu
Mia Potts
Kenneth Murray
Nava Owens
Brizel Rocha
Melodia Eke
Jorie Simmons
Kavon Ammons
Basirat Sodiq
Aiden Barnett
Gabrielle Galloway
Jaylen Ware
Divine Collins
McCarthy Ausberry
Hariz Olanrian
Ximena Vazquez
Ta’zhay Hallman
Kanari Mangun
Madison Shegog
Jeffery Piljac
Justin Woodson

March V.I.Ps
Odewunmi Toluwalase
Mariah Harris
Madyson Gant
Kenechi Aranonu
Mackenzie Price
Amaya Griffin
Jeffery Piljac
Johnathan Andrade-Fernandez
Alexis King
Justin Woodson
Jordan Davis
Caitlyn Forestal
Nnenna Iheme
Kynnedi Harper
Rhayanna Ousley
Laurence Nnabuo
Jewel Lopez
Monee Potts
Kayla Shakelford
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