

BATESVILLE
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

The Week Ahead

Good afternoon! A big congratulations to all of our students who completed the **Reading Challenge** for the 2025-2026 school year. The school overnight was a huge success! Mrs. Kaiser and Mrs. Reer did a wonderful job of planning a fun-filled night for all. Watch for details about NEXT year's Reading Challenge coming soon! This optional program is a great way for families to encourage good reading habits even during the summer months. Here's what you need to know for the week ahead:

- **Allied Arts** this week:
 - MONDAY: Red
 - TUESDAY: Blue
 - WEDNESDAY: Orange
 - THURSDAY: Yellow
 - FRIDAY: Green
- We will continue **ILEARN testing** this week. On Tuesday, students in grades 3–5 will complete the Math assessment. On Thursday, fourth grade will take the Science ILEARN, while fifth grade will complete the Social Studies assessment. State testing will conclude on Friday with the Grade 4 Computer Science assessment.
- We are thankful for the support of the **Batesville Area Arts Council** for this week's performance of "Upcycled Cinderella" with Bright Star Theatre. All fourth grade students will attend this in-house performance on Tuesday.
- **Fifth grade students** received **scheduling papers** for the 2026-2027 school year on Thursday afternoon. Scheduling papers need to be returned to BIS by Friday, May 1st. If you have any questions or need another copy, please reach out to Stacey Cornn at BMS (812-934-5175).
- From our fabulous **PTO**:
 - During **Staff Appreciation Week**, the PTO will host a dirty soda bar for BIS staff. Please consider signing up to donate a 2-liter or more of pop. You can send it to school with your child. **We need all donations by Friday, May 1.** Thanks in advance for helping us say thank you to our BIS staff! Sign up [here](#).
- **Fifth Grade Families**: 5th grade students are invited to attend the annual "**Moving On Up Party**" on Wednesday, May 20 (3-5pm) as we celebrate the end of their time at BIS and send them off to middle school. Watch for [permission slips](#) to be sent home this week.
- **Kids Discovery Factory's 14th Annual STEAM Camp** (July 6-9) is filling up fast! Check out more details [here](#). While 3rd grade is already full, we still have room for campers going into grades K, 1, 2, 4, 5, & 6. STEAM Camp provides children with the opportunity



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- to **COMMUNICATE**, **COLLABORATE**, think **CRITICALLY**, and **CREATE** in a fun, interactive, and meaningful way. Register Now: <https://www.visitkdf.org/camp>
- BIS students are invited to participate in an amazing opportunity offered by our friends at the Batesville Farmers Market. Check out details for the **JUNIOR Farmers Market** [here](#). Paper copies are available in the office.
 - A note of congratulations to two BIS teachers who were honored this week:
 - 5th Grade Teacher, **Tricia McPherson** was named the 2026 VFW Teacher of the Year.
 - PE Teacher, **Chase Mears** was named a Top 10 Finalist in the Indianapolis Colts Classroom Quarterbacks Program.

Have a wonderful week! It's hard to believe we are down to the last 20 days of the 2025-2026 school year! Thanks for your continued support.

"At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents." -Jane D. Hull

