

Union Elementary School

1070 Heald Hwy
Union, ME 04862
207-785-4330
Clint Rankin, Principal
Allison Davis, Administrative Assistant
October 9, 2025



Dates to Remember

Friday, October 10th No School- Workshop Day

Monday, October 13th No School- Indigenous Peoples' Day

Wednesday, October 22nd
Early Release Day- dismissal @ 1:15

Scholastic Book Fair October 20-24

Friday, October 24th UES Open House 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Friday, October 31st Costume Parade @ 2:30 p.m.

Friday, November 7th Workshop Day- No School

Tuesday, November 11th Veterans Day- No School

Wednesday, November 12th School Picture Retake Day

Wednesday, November 19th Early Release Day- dismissal @ 1:15

Monday, November 24th Parent/Teacher Conferences 3:30-7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, November 25thParent/Teacher Conferences
3:30-6:30 p.m.

Weekly Principal Message

Dear UES Students and Families,

We've had a short learning week this week and again next week as we recognize and celebrate Indigenous Peoples' Day. But, it has been an action packed week of learning! This week we had a fire safety presentation, a special science presentation in 5th and 6th, and began using i-Ready, our new supplemental math program! Wishing everyone an enjoyable, and much needed, 4 day weekend. We will see you bright and early on Tuesday morning.

In partnership,

Dr. Rankin Union Elementary Principal







Tooth Protectors Dental Clinic

Sign up forms were sent home with all UES students this week for the Tooth Protectors Dental Clinic. If you would like your child to receive this dental service, please complete and sign the Tooth Protectors Dental Permission form, one per child, and return to UES OR you can fill out the electronic permission form and pay for services at this link: https://www.toothprotectors.org/permission-form/

- Services are FREE to those with active MaineCare Insurance
- Fees available for self-pay patients
- Tooth Protectors can bill other dental insurances



Students recognized for positive behaviors!!

Our PBIS monthly theme for October is Fairness/ Kindness- I will show kindness by treating others and myself fairly.

Congratulations to the following students for being recognized this week for our targeted positive behavior:

Pre K - Hallie Saroka & Aspen Hunt Kindergarten - Isaac Lorentzen & Jack Stotz

1st Grade - Lincoln Fickett & Lucy Brown

2nd Grade - Rinny Ilvonen & Phoebe Bonatakis

3rd Grade - Alden Evangelos & Bristol Wilcox

4th Grade - Taeo Boyer & Lucas Oliveira

5th Grade - Everitt Williams & Oliver Carpentier

6th Grade - Brookelynn Gamage & Nolan Fridley

Super Citizens







UES will be holding our Scholastic Book Fair the week of October 20-24. We are excited to announce that the Pullen Foundation, a non-profit town account overseen by a committee of volunteers, has once again agreed to provide a \$20 donation for each child so they can purchase books. We have 133 students so that's a \$2,600 donation from the Pullen Committee towards literacy for kids! Because we will be purchasing so much from Scholastic Books, they are likely to provide Ms. Barrows with additional funding for the library thanks to their purchasing incentive program. It's a gift that multiplies in value and you can't beat that!

Students will be able to go to the Book Fair throughout the week to spend their \$20. Teachers will allow their students to browse and make final purchases no later that Thursday the 23rd. This will allow parents to utilize the Open House Night on Friday, October 24th to purchase books beyond the \$20 mark, if they so choose.

Student Feature: Zakk Dempsey Grade 3



I **like UES because:** I like gym class. I like that we get to run around & play soccer.

My favorite books include: Dog Man. I like how the dog barks and is a cop.

My favorite shows I like to watch include: I really like super heroes, like Batman.

My favorite songs, singers and bands include: Country Music!

My favorite foods include: French fries and burgers

My hobbies include: On weekends I play on my Play Station & play Roblox

When I grow up I want to be: A firefighter

A couple of my pet peeves include: One thing that drives me crazy is my 15

year old cousin!

If I could live anywhere I would live: in Florida because that's where my grandpa and grandma live.

Bingo Reading Challenge

In September we did a Bingo Reading Challenge. Students needed to read a book for 15 to 20 mins that was in one of the squares. When they got Bingo they brought it to the library and picked a prize. These are the students who turned in their Bingo card. Octobers reading challenge is a scavenger hunt.



Annual Online Registration

Parents must complete the On-Line
Registration as part of the enrollment process.
This also includes those parents who are new
to the school this year. Thank you to all of the
families who have completed their
registrations! We only have 12 families who
haven't completed theirs! If you haven't
completed your annual registration, please
click on the link below. If you can't remember
your user name and password, please call Mrs.
Davis in the office @ 785-4330 or send a
ParentSquare message.

<u>Infinite Campus Parent Portal</u> <u>Web Link</u>



This Month in School Counseling

CLASSROOM LESSONS

This month in classroom lessons, we will be focusing on Bullying Prevention using the Second Step curriculum. Students will learn how to recognize, refuse, and report bullying. Students will also learn ways that bystanders, people who witness bullying, can help.

SMALL GROUPS

I lead small groups on a variety of topics including friendship skills, feelings regulation, family changes. Please feel free to reach out if you think your child could benefit from participating.

Topic Focus: Bullying

- Bullying affects everyone, including those who are bullied, those who bully others, and those who witness bullying.
- Bystanders can make a huge difference when they intervene on behalf of someone being bullied
- Studies have shown that adults can help prevent bullying by talking to children about bullying, modeling kindness, and seeking help.

https://www.stopbullying.gov/



Contact

Please feel free to call, email, or send a ParentSquare Message to discuss your child's needs!

Email:

kayleigh_macfarlane@rsu40.org.

Phone: 207-785-4330

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held on Monday, 11/24 from 3:30-7:00 p.m. and Tuesday, 11/25 from 3:30-6:30 p.m. Classroom teachers will be sending out their sign up schedules on ParentSquare within the next few weeks.





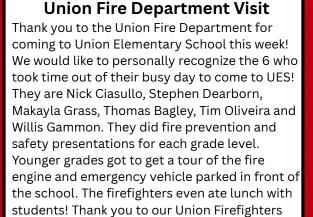


















for all you do for our community!









