



Union Elementary School

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Clint Rankin, Principal
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March 20, 2026



Dates to Remember

Tuesday, March 24th

UES PTC Meeting @ 5:30 p.m.
All parents welcome to attend!

Wednesday, March 25th

Katie Coppens, Author
Visiting Grades 3-6

Thursday, March 26th

Tonya Shevenell, Author
Visiting Grades PK-2

Friday, March 27th

Family Movie Night @ UES
Charlie & the Chocolate
Factory
6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 1st

Early Release Day-
Dismissal @ 1:15 p.m.

Friday, April 10th

Spring School Picture Day

Friday, April 17th

Mr. Drew and His Animals Too

April 20-24

Spring Break - No school

Wednesday, May 13th

Early Release Day-
Dismissal @ 1:15 p.m.

Weekly Principal Message

Dear Students and Families,

It was such a joy to see so many of you at our Trimester Two awards ceremony today! We loved celebrating our students' diverse accomplishments, from academic excellence to outstanding character. As we "leap" into our final trimester, the energy remains high with a great deal of learning and fun still ahead.

Next week, we are thrilled to host two wonderful author residencies at Union Elementary:

- Wednesday, March 25th: Maine author and teacher Katie Coppens (The Acadia Files) will lead our 3rd through 6th graders in hands-on experiments. She'll show our students how science lives in our own backyards, far beyond the pages of a textbook.
- Thursday, March 26th: Author Tonya Shevenell (The Maine Birthday Book) will visit with our preschoolers through 2nd graders. They will explore the animals that inspire her stories, her illustration process, and the natural beauty of Maine.

As a special gift, every student will go home with a signed book of their very own! To cap off this week of hands-on learning, the PTC is hosting a Movie Night in the gym this Friday, March 27th, at 6:00 PM.

Finally, thank you for your continued dedication to student attendance. By ensuring students arrive on time and stay through the full day, you help us make the most of every learning minute. We start promptly at 8:45 AM, and your support in this is invaluable.

Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable weekend,

Dr. Rankin, Principal

Students recognized for positive behaviors!

Our PBIS monthly theme for March is Cooperation/ Teamwork - I will work in teams and learn from others. Congratulations to the following students for being recognized this week for our targeted positive behavior:

Pre K - Evelyn Wood & Lucas Clough
Kindergarten - Karter Pushard & Isaac Lorentzen
1st Grade - Kyrian Searles & Mordecai Patten
2nd Grade - Caroline Girtman & Phoebe Bonatakis
3rd Grade - Ashton Bowen & Bristol Wilcox
4th Grade - Finnley Grierson & Cheyenne Batista
5th Grade - Clancey Calderwood & Everitt Williams
6th Grade - Ivy Lima & Ayva Dalfonso

Super Citizens



Student Feature: Levi Yenor 4th Grade



I like UES because most of the people are nice & I like to play soccer at recess.

My favorite books include: *The I Survive* series

My favorite show to watch: sometimes I watch Netflix & some YouTube videos

My favorite foods are: sushi, pizza & lobster

My hobbies include: playing games like Roblox or Minecraft!

When I grow up I want to be: a pilot

If I could live anywhere I would live: in Hawaai or the Bahamas!

Strawbridge Studios Spring Pictures



Spring pictures will be taken here at UES on Friday, April 10th. Students will get a proof about 2 weeks after photos are taken and parents can order at that time if they would like.



The Town of Union is holding an Easter Public Breakfast on Saturday, April 4th from 7 - 10 a.m. at the Union Masonic Lodge @
149 Sennebec Rd.

At 10 a.m. that morning there will be an Easter Egg Hunt on the Union Common. It will start promptly at 10 sharp.



UES Movie Night!
Friday, March 27th - 6:00pm

REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 40

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Dr. Thomas Ambrose, Superintendent
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ATTENTION – RESIDENTS OF REGIONAL SCHOOL UNIT 40

Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Registration

Pre-Kindergarten - A child who will be four on or before October 15, 2026 is eligible to attend Pre-Kindergarten. This is a 5 day per week program. We anticipate having six Pre-K classrooms in our district:

- Friendship Village School 1 classroom (combined w/ K)
- Miller School: 2 classrooms
- Prescott Memorial School: 1 classroom
- Union Elementary School: 1 classroom
- Warren Community School: 1 classroom

Spaces will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis, beginning with students who reside in RSU 40. At the beginning of July, we will notify out-of-district requests if we have space available. The remaining students will be placed on a waitlist, and we will continue to collect applications through September 2, at which time the remaining seats will be filled with priority for children in the following categories:

- Children with Individualized Education Plans (IEPs)
- Multi-language learners
- State agency clients
- Children who are experiencing homelessness
- Children who are eligible for free and reduced school meals
- Residents of RSU 40

To be considered for placement, registration must be complete, including proof of residency, birth certificate, and immunization records.

Pre-K children who reside within RSU 40 will qualify for district-provided transportation to the Pre-K program of the home school within the district. RSU 40 residents who wish to enroll in Pre-K in a district school that is not their “home” school are eligible to register, space permitting, but will be responsible for their own transportation.

Kindergarten – A child who will be five on or before October 15, 2026 is eligible to attend Kindergarten.

Please register your child for Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten online by filling out the form that can be found at RSU40.org, or by calling the school your child will be attending. You do not need to register if your child has attended Pre-K in RSU 40.

FRIENDSHIP VILLAGE SCHOOL – 832-5057

MILLER SCHOOL – 832-2103

PRESCOTT MEMORIAL SCHOOL – 845-2424

UNION ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – 785-4330

WARREN COMMUNITY SCHOOL – 273-2001

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