



Southport Middle School Parent Newsletter

DATES TO REMEMBER:

May 5– Algebra & Geometry ePAT
 May 6-8 Civics EOC
 May 8-Moe's Spirit Night
 May 9– Civics Makeups PBS Sports Hat day/
 PBS Basket ball game-2 pm
 May 10– Algebra & Geometry Boot Camp–
 9am-12pm
 May 12– Algebra EOC exam
 May 13– Progress reports
 May 14– Drama Presentation in school
 show @ 2:30 pm
 May 15– Drama Presentation in school show
 2:30 pm, Parent show 7 pm
 May 16– 8th grade Gradventure Trip
 May 19-23– Spirit Week
 May 20– Geometry EOC exam Volunteer
 Recognition 2:00pm Media Center
 Spring Band Concert –Gym @ 7 PM
 May 21 - Geometry EOC makeups SAC
 Meeting @ 4:15 pm
 May 22-23– BOGO Book Fair in Media
 Center 10AM–3:30PM
 May 26–Memorial Day Holiday
 May 27– Electives & Literacy Final Exams
 May 28– Math Final Exam
 May 29 Science/ Social Studies Final Exam
 May 30 8th grade graduation rehearsal
 10:00am
 June 2– 8th Grade promotion ceremony 10
 am
 June 2,3,4– Early Dismissal days
 June 4– Talent Show & Last day for stu-
 dents

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From the Principal's Desk

Dear Southport Parents,

I can hardly believe that we are now in May! We just wrapped up our FCAT testing window and we were very pleased with the effort put forth by our students. They worked diligently and used the time allocated for the test. Our attendance was excellent! Thank you for sending your child to school ready to test!

May will be a very busy month to include our 3rd nine weeks honor roll ceremony, End of Course Exams in Civics, Algebra and Geometry, the Little Mermaid Jr. show, Spring Band Concert, Adobe Photoshop Certification Testing, and semester exams. I thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Lydia Martin



Southport's Young Authors



Southport Young Author finalists and their families celebrated their hard work at a get-together on April 9, 2014 in the Media Center. Guest author, Jessica Warren, came by to talk about her book *Prime Time Kid*, and inspired Southport's top writers with her advice on the writing process. The top winners, announced during the celebration, will go on to district competition on May 9th, and include *Porcelain Beauty* by Anastacia Kastis, *I Think I Love You* by Alina Fuentes, and *Operation Ransom* by Jason Thomaselli. Good Luck Southport Students!! Pictured from the top left are: Christian Oravec, Conner Smith, Michael Melara, Jason Thomaselli, Jacob Bartoli, Tristan Greene, Derek Curry, Jessica Warren, Alexandra Rogers, Candyse Minniefield, Jaynell Pittman, Brittany Vonstein, and Alina Fuentes, Bottom row: Anastacia Kastis, Janelys M. Ojeda, Raisa Asim, Josephine Debiase, Jaycie Tate, Brodie Leonard and Hannah Norman. Thank you to all the participants and their families who came out to support Southport's young authors!

Show Respect **P**ractice Responsibility **M**ake an Effort **S**tay Safe

The Hurricane Herald

"Just do what must be done. This may not be happiness, but it is greatness."
George Bernard Shaw



"All men dream, but not equally. Those who dream by night in the dusty recesses of their minds, wake in the day to find that it was vanity; but the dreamers of the day are dangerous men, for they may act on their dreams with open eyes, to make them possible."

T. E. Lawrence



Southport Middle School's Media Center makes language learning fun and exciting for students and their families! Parents and students in the After School Language Learning Lab are delighted to spend time after school in the Media Center learning English, Spanish, and French on the RosettaStone computer program. What began as a Title III program specifically for English language learners has caught on with other students who are now learning Spanish and French. The language program will run through May 30, 2014 this year and will continue again next school year. Pictured in the photo from top left include Althea Charles, Angel Lima, Emmanuela Tranquille, Milena Alvarez, and Alexandra Chisholm. On the bottom starting furthest back are: Milena Alvarez, Laureanna Arrabe, Leanne Arrabe, Lianys Betancourt, Rachel Zhou, Axel Rueda, Ignacio Lopez, and Jhony Phy Kyaw. The afterschool program is open to all Southport students and their families .

Resource for your teens:

Want to talk, not sure where to turn?

Dial 2-1-1 for the teen hotline.

IM to [teen211pbtc1](http://www.teen211pbtc1.org/)

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Get Connected. Get Answers Online.

New website features easier search and extensive database of resources.

Click Here to Visit.

Call United Way 2-1-1 Get Connected Get Answers. United Way United Way of East Central Iowa

In our effort to promote summer reading, Southport's Media Center will be holding a Scholastic "BOGO" Book Fair. This will be a great way for students to get a book for themselves and a free one to keep or give to a friend! The sale will take place on Thursday, May 22 through Friday, May 23, 2014 from 10 AM—3:30PM. There will be raffle tickets for nice prizes, and freebies to all those who make a purchase during the two day event. Applications for St. Lucie County Library cards will be available. Please come by for the fun and great bargains!





Research continues to reinforce what librarians and teachers have long known: keeping kids reading throughout the summer is key to maintaining students' literacy skills while encouraging a lifetime love of books. According to Scholastic, "reading just six books during the summer may keep a struggling reader from regressing." Be sure that the books are not too hard and not too easy. Encourage your child to take advantage of every opportunity to read and to read something every day. Read in the kitchen while preparing meals, relaxing at the beach, or riding in the car. And, any reading material will do, whether it is a grocery list, the TV guide, a magazine, the newspaper, or online resources. Try to end each day by having your child read one of the six books he is currently reading. For some great ideas, please take a look at the hot summer reads that will be at the Scholastic BOGO Book Fair on page 7 and check out all of the fabulous resources below to see what Southport Media Center has to offer! Have a great summer! Happy Reading!!

[DESTINY AND OTHER ONLINE RESOURCES](#)

DESTINY Homepage has the links to excellent online databases and many more resources. When students log into Destiny using their 10 digit Student ID (Username) and Lunch Number (Password) they get 24X7 computer access to their personalized page and all eBooks in our collection. Usernames and Passwords are listed on the newsletter that was emailed to parents through Skywards for some of the other terrific resources that are available for Southport students. Please keep your Skyward email address up to date to receive important information throughout the year.

[World Book Encyclopedia](#) Online Encyclopedia:

[Gale Virtual Reference Library](#) Science/Social Studies/Professional E-books

[ABDODigital](#) United States Database:

[ABDODigital](#) eBooks:

[Capstone Digital](#) Graphic Novel eBooks:

[EReadandReport](#) Non-fiction eBooks:

[Destination Success](#) Targeted Math & Reading Practice:

Additionally, students can download the App "Enlight" on their mobile devices to log onto FollettShelf with their 10 Digit Student ID (Username) and 5 digit Lunch Number (Password) . This App gives students access to our eBook collection on their iPad or Android tablet! The FollettShelf URL for Southport Middle School is:

wbb12550.folletshelf.com



Show Respect

Practice Responsibility

Make an Effort

Stay Safe



Students who have shown respectful and responsible behavior from August 19, 2013 through May 9, 2014 will be permitted to attend a basketball game on May 9th at 2pm. Admission is free and bracelets will be given out to allow students into the event. Bring \$ for soda, chips and candy.

Friday, May 9, 2014 is PBS Sports Hat day. Hats with school appropriate graphics/ words may be worn. This will be the last Special Dress day.

May 19th -
23rd

National Junior Honor Society Presents:
Spirit Week!



Monday: Neon Nation Day!

Wear your brightest neon colors

Tuesday: Sports Day!

Wear your favorite team gear

Wednesday: Twin Day!

Dress alike with a friend

Thursday: Tacky tourist Day!

Dress as the tackiest Florida tourist

Friday: School Spirit Day!

Show your school spirit by wearing our school colors: Teal and Black

Students can either pay \$1 per day or \$3 for the whole week.



Please remember the following limitations:

- All shorts/skirts must not be any shorter than your knees.
- No derogatory/inappropriate clothing such as tank tops or pajamas. No shirts with inappropriate logos/images.
- Closed toe shoes must be worn at all times
- **NO DYING OF HAIR OR PAINTING OF THE FACE**

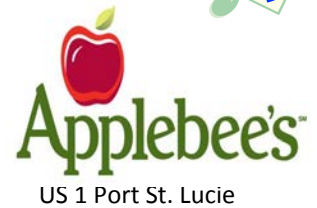


"The Right to Vote" was this year's theme for The Friends of the Rupert J. Law Library's Annual Law Day Celebration Student Art and Essay Contest. Southport's Graciela Pardo, 3rd place Middle School winner, is pictured with Southport's art teacher Katherine Avra. Grace's work featured an abstract American Flag with this year's theme showcased in the foreground.



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THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!!!



Southport Middle School Drama

Presents



Wednesday, May 14 – 2:30 PM

6th Grade, 7th Grade Sharks & Hawks Tickets = \$3 + \$5 Cane Cash

Thursday, May 15 – 2:30 PM

8th Grade, 7th Grade Panthers & Stingrays Tickets = \$3 + \$5 Cane Cash

Thursday, May 15 – 7:00 PM Tickets \$5

"Little Mermaid, Jr." is presented through special arrangement with and all authorized materials are supplied by Music Theatre International 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019

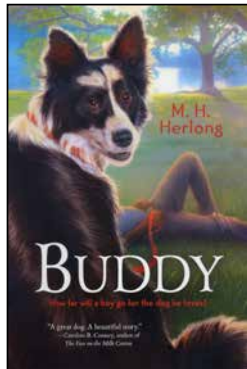
THIS SPRING, LOOK FOR GREAT BOOKS LIKE THESE

Hot Summer Reads!

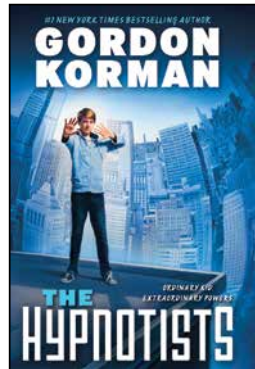
*Books like these will be featured at your spring Scholastic Book Fair scheduled between April 1-June 30, 2014.



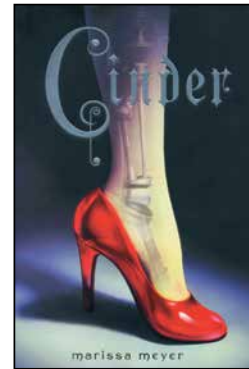
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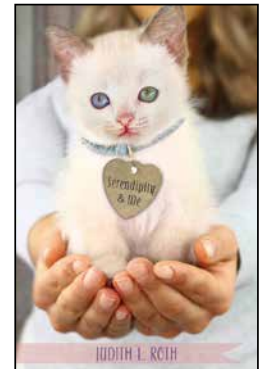
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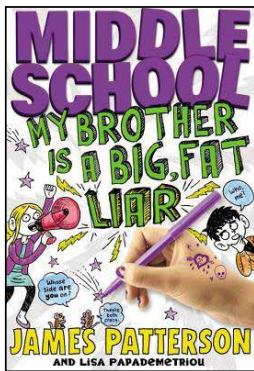
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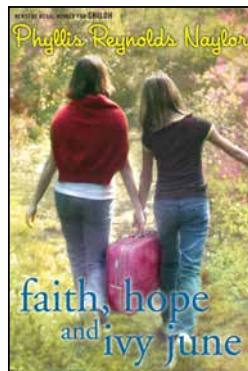
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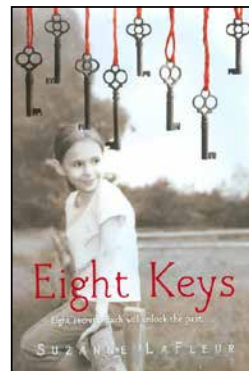
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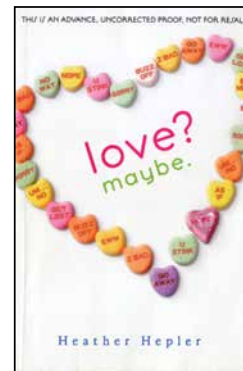
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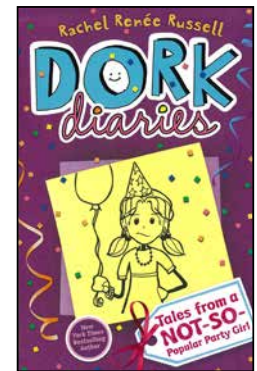
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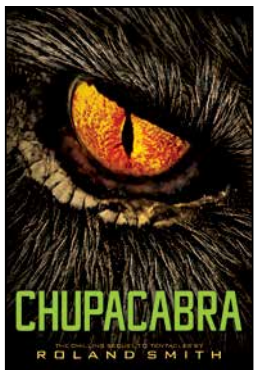
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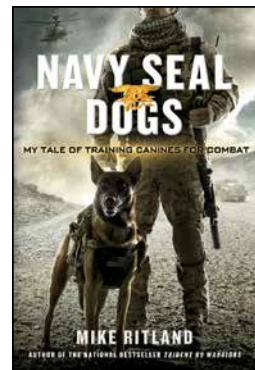
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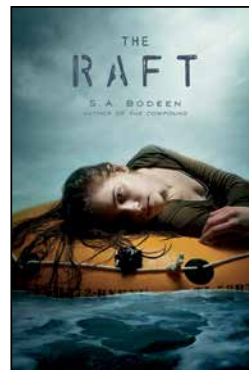
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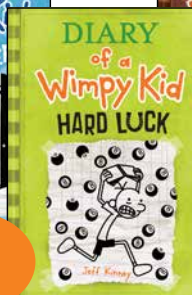
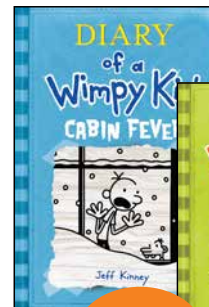
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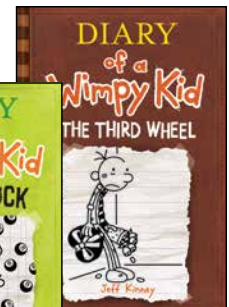
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