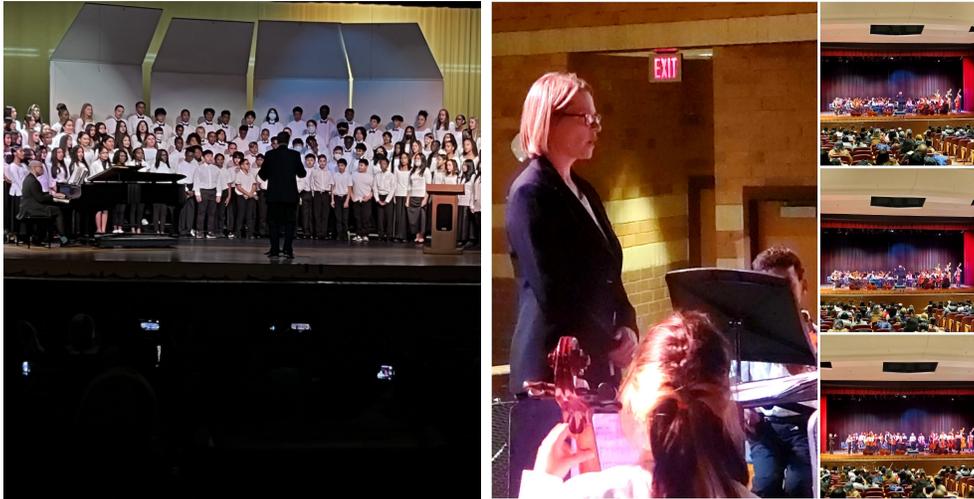


Good evening, Rocky Hill MS Community!

This is Principal Johnson with your Weekly Wildcat Updates:

**EPICC Celebrations:**

This was truly an EPICC week at Rocky Hill! Our music department put on impressive choral and instrumental winter concerts! Students recognized the accomplishments of their peers and established goals for the second quarter during our first ever school-wide honor roll/straight A celebration !



**Announcements:**

(The weekly calendar can be found on the right side of the RHMS website)

**MON, NOVEMBER 21**

**Early Release Day for Students**

**7 PD Day: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 5**

**Parent Conferences-**

**Leo Club Recycle for Sight Drive**

**Leo Club Animal Shelter Donations**

**TUE, NOVEMBER 22**

**Early Release Day for Students**

**7 PD Day: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 5**

**Leo Club Recycle for Sight Drive**

**Leo Club Animal Shelter Donations**

**WED, NOVEMBER 23**

**Systemwide Closure (Schools and Offices Closed)**

**Leo Club Recycle for Sight Drive**

**THU, NOVEMBER 24**

**Holiday (Schools and Offices Closed)**

**Leo Club Recycle for Sight Drive**

**FRI, NOVEMBER 25**

**Holiday (Schools and Offices Closed)**

**Leo Club Recycle for Sight Drive**

**Announcements:**

*For parents who have scheduled virtual conferences, click on the link to access the [Rocky Hill Staff Zoom Links](#) document.*

*Parent Conferences will be held, Monday, November 21, 2022, from 1:00pm - 6:00pm. Parents may sign up for individual conferences by logging into their ParentVue account, beginning November 12, 2022.*

*Please use this link to access the [Parent-Teacher Conferences \(ParentVue Support Guide\)](#) for direction on how to sign up for conferences. If you have any questions, please contact your child's team leader or counselor:*

*If you don't have ParentVUE activated, please contact the grade level team leader or counselor for assistance.*

*Parents have the option to have their conference in person or virtual. A google document will be posted on the RH website with all of the classroom teachers' Zoom links later this week. In person conferences have the room number on the conference sign up page.*

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### **BUY A BRICK ART MURAL FUNDRAISER!!!**

*IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO BEAUTIFY OUR SCHOOL, WE ARE SELLING "BRICKS" TO RAISE MONEY TO BE ABLE TO PAINT A MURAL IN OUR ARTS HALLWAY, MUCH LIKE THE MURALS IN OUR PE AND MUSIC HALLWAYS. OUR "BUY A BRICK FUNDRAISER" FORM CAN BE FOUND AT THIS LINK:*

[HTTPS://DOCS.GOOGLE.COM/DOCUMENT/D/1LR7Q7rCAU\\_vp8T\\_A-mKYnFMP9rEG4z\\_3LKAvMu\\_h4BY/EDIT?USP=SHARING](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1LR7Q7rCAU_vp8T_A-mKYnFMP9rEG4z_3LKAvMu_h4BY/edit?usp=sharing)

*ON THE FORM IS THE LINK TO THE MCPS ONLINE PURCHASE SITE WHERE ANYONE IN YOUR FAMILY CAN MAKE A DONATION OF ALMOST ANY AMOUNT TO HELP US REACH OUR GOAL OF \$2000. IN ORDER TO HAVE YOUR FAMILY NAME INSCRIBED ON A BRICK, A \$50 DONATION IS REQUESTED. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO "SHARE" A BRICK, NO PROBLEM, TWO FAMILIES CAN EACH PUT IN \$25 FOR A BRICK. PLEASE HELP US CONTINUE TO MAKE ROCKY HILL THE BEST MIDDLE SCHOOL IN THE STATE, COUNTRY, AND THE WORLD!*

### **MCPS Tutoring:**

*In addition to the tutoring offered at Rocky Hill Middle School, All MCPS students have access to free, virtual tutoring services through FEV Tutor and Tutor Me Education.*

- **Both companies offer two services:**
  - Free on-demand tutoring for homework help, no scheduling needed
  - Free, scheduled tutoring for on-going support, scheduling required
  - Both companies record sessions, take session notes, and communicate directly with families
- **The difference between the two companies:**
  - FEV Tutor - no camera for tutor or student - ideal for grades 3-12 students for whom the camera is a barrier to learning
  - Tutor Me Education - camera for tutor and student
- **Students access tutoring through using their MCPS Clever account.**

**If you would like to set up scheduled, on-going sessions, here's how:**

**To set up tutoring sessions with FEV Tutor:**

- [mcps@fevtutor.com](mailto:mcps@fevtutor.com)

**To set up tutoring sessions with Tutor Me Education:**

- [MCPS@tutormeeducation.com](mailto:MCPS@tutormeeducation.com) or 240-618-2549 OR
- Fill out their [request form](#) \*\* best way

### **Athletics:**

**Basketball Tryouts are quickly approaching! Tryout dates are December 6, 8, & 13th. Athletes are expected to attend ALL 3 days of tryouts to be considered for the team. Tryouts are open to 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who are ACADEMICALLY ELIGIBLE Quarter 1 with a 2.0 GPA and no more than 1 E, a current physical signed and dated by a doctor within the last 2 years on file at Rocky Hill, and a parent permission slip turned in to Ms. Brouillard. Paperwork can be turned in to Ms. Brouillard, or parents may also register their students through ParentVue. Forms and information on how to register can be found on the [Sports Page](#) of the RHMS website.**

### **Intramurals:**

**Cheerleading Intramurals will begin after Winter Break and are open to all 6th, 7th, & 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Practice dates will be announced next week, so students should be listening to morning announcements! Students planning on staying should be committed to attending all practices to prepare for a halftime performance at the Girls Basketball game against Kingsview on 2/8 and the Boys Basketball game against Ridgeview on 2/15! If interested, students must have an [Intramural Permission Slip](#) turned in to Ms. Brouillard and be academically eligible (2.0 GPA and no more than 1 E on their Quarter 1 report card). Permission slips can be picked up in the PE locker room or found on the [Sports Page](#) of the RHMS Website.**

**The Rocky Hill NJHS, Leos and SGA are supporting a food drive for the Wildcats Care food pantry at our school, and to make a donation to Damascus food bank. We will have boxes available for donations starting Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> if you would like to contribute.**

**The Rocky Hill Leo Club is currently collecting items to be donated to a local Animal Shelter. Items include Dog/Cat food and treats, collars, leashes, toys, and coats. Please, no bedding or blankets. Items can be dropped off in room 258 from November 9th-22nd. Contact Mr. Stevenson with questions or assistance with a large donation at [Sean\\_T\\_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Sean_T_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org). Thank you.**

**The Leo Club is holding its annual Lions Recycle for Sight. Please donate any unwanted prescription glasses. Collection will take place in the Main Office at RHMS. Any size, style or age of glasses are welcomed. Our collection box will be available from November 9th- December 2nd.**

**The Leos, National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) and Student Government Association (SGA) will hold a canned food and toiletries drive from Dec. 1st- Dec. 9th. This will be used to replenish the Wildcats Care food closet at RHMS and make a donation to the Damascus Food bank. The Damascus Lions Club will pick up food donations on December 14th.**

## **Important Dates:**

**The Federal Impact Aid Survey went home with students on Wednesday, November 16, 2022. If the form applies to you please fill it out no later than Friday, December 9, 2022. The form can be returned to 45 W. Gude Drive, Suite 3201, Rockville, MD 20850, faxed to 301-279-3031, or emailed to [impactaid@mcpsmd.org](mailto:impactaid@mcpsmd.org).**

**November 21, 2022 - Early Release and Parent Conference Day**

**November 22, 2022 - Early Release Day**

**November 23 - 25, 2022 - Thanksgiving Holiday**

## **Reminders:**

- Please remind your child to charge their Chromebook each night and bring their charger and Chromebooks with them to school each day. Also, it is the students responsibility to take care of their Chromebooks to prevent loss or damage. We thank you parents for your partnership!

**PTSA:** Special thank you to our PTSA for supporting our first school-wide honor roll/straight A celebration! Shout-out to our parent volunteers who organized and delivered the celebration materials!

**[GO TO THE PTSA WEBSITE CALENDAR FOR MEETING DATES & INFO](https://sites.google.com/view/rhmspta/home)**

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- **[Tis the Season catalog Fundraiser](#) November 1-27th, with extended online shopping days! Over 800 Online Products prices starting from \$9.50...**
- **[Staff Appreciation Lunch Buffet](#) for Parent-Teacher Conferences Day, November 21st - Sign Up to donate food items or volunteer to help through Sign-Up Genius links on the PTSA website, click below...**
- **[National PTA 'Reflections' Arts Program](#) begins this fall! Student participants present their original works in several categories, and compete at local, state & national levels.**
- **[Give the Gift of Books! Our SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR is coming to the Media Center December 12-16th...](#)**
- **[A special Family Fun & Shopping Time being planned for Scholastic week!](#)**

**[PLEASE REGISTER YOUR FAMILY & JOIN YOUR PTSA TODAY! Every Membership funds our basic operating costs and ensures we can continue to serve our Rocky Hill Community with PRIDE...](#)**

**<https://sites.google.com/view/rhmspta/home>**

**[PLEASE JOIN our new OFFICIAL Private PTSA Facebook Group too! Get timely reminders for events, opportunities & sign-ups, communicate with our school PTSA community privately!](#)**

**<https://www.facebook.com/groups/rhmspta>**

***This is the time of the year that we reflect on the goodness in our lives and give thanks. I am thankful for every Rocky Hill student, staff member, parent, caregiver and the entire Clarksburg Community. May this Thanksgiving be filled with family, friends, food, love, thanks and giving!***

***We are looking forward to an EPICC year at Rocky Hill! Thank you for your support! We are Rocky Hill Middle School-Growing Stronger Together!***

***With Wildcat PRIDE!***

***Darryl V. Johnson  
Principal***

*(English and Spanish copies of the Weekly Wildcat Update are attached to this message)*