

THE WEEKLY WILDCAT UPDATES 2018-2018
Week of 10/8/18

Below are important reminders to help you stay involved and engaged with your student's upcoming events at Rocky Hill Middle School.

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Our weekly Sunday evening email has two sections:

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1. **ROCKY HILL** Information and Calendar

Main Office Hours

The main office hours are 7:45 am until 3:45 pm. **Reminder:** The main office for our school closes at 3:45 pm each day. The phones are not answered after this time and all messages left will be picked up the following morning at 7:45 am.

*After School Activity Bus Update – See Below

Monday, Oct. 8 – Periods 34567
Open House, 8:15 am-2:00 pm
No after-school activities

The Boys and Girls Club will be closed on Monday October 8, 2018 for Columbus Day.

Tuesday, Oct. 9 – Periods 12345

Archery Intramural-6th Graders & Beginners Only, 3:00-4:25 pm (Leck-Main Gym-
John_P_Leck@mcpsmd.org)

Cross Country Meet @ Hallie Wells MS (Coach-Mr. Stevenson
Sean_T_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org)

Drama – Little Mermaid Jr., 3:00-4:25 pm (Heinemann -Rm. 105-
Paul_W_Heinemann@mcpsmd.org)

Softball v. Hallie Wells MS (Girls Home/Boys Away) (Boys-
Gerald_E_DelescavageJr@mcpsmd.org; Girls-Brian_C_Lucas@mcpsmd.org)

PTA Meeting, 6:30-8:00 pm, Media Center

At our PTA meeting, Karen Scharff, Staff Development Teacher at Rocky Hill, will present a workshop, “What are They Thinking?”, about the adolescent brain. Come to the RHMS Media Center 7:00-7:45 pm to learn about why adolescents are more prone to risk taking, impulsivity, emotional ups and downs and the effects of peer pressure. Ms. Scharff will provide an overview of how the brain develops, recent research on the adolescent brain, and the effects of neurochemicals on adolescent behavior.

Wednesday, Oct. 10 – Periods 67123

****M.O.R.E. 50 Men on Deck-Greet students as they arrive in the morning-See Info below**

Archery Intramural-Grade 7 & 8 Only, 3:00-4:25 pm (Leck-Main Gym-

John_P_Leck@mcpsmd.org)

Chess Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Harris-Rm. 140-charris@letusteachyou.org)

NO Cross Country Practice Today (Coach-Mr. [Stevenson-Sean T Stevenson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Stevenson-Sean_T_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org))

Drama – Little Mermaid Jr., 3:00-4:25 pm (Heinemann -Rm. 105-

[Paul W Heinemann@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Paul_W_Heinemann@mcpsmd.org))

Model UN, 3:00-4:25 pm (Fong-Rm. 358- [Stephanie L Fong@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Stephanie_L_Fong@mcpsmd.org))

M.O.R.E. Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Phillips-Rm. 176)

Newspaper Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (K. Conley-Rm. 167-[Kevin J Conley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kevin_J_Conley@mcpsmd.org))

RecXtra Board Games, 3:00-4:25 pm)Ms. Duarte-Rm. 364-[Nelia R Duarte@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Nelia_R_Duarte@mcpsmd.org))

RecXtra Lego Robotics, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Smith-Rm. 143-[Kalani Smith@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kalani_Smith@mcpsmd.org))

Softball Practice, 3:00-4:25 pm (Boys- [Gerald E DelescavageJr@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Gerald_E_DelescavageJr@mcpsmd.org); Girls-

[Brian C Lucas@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Brian_C_Lucas@mcpsmd.org))

Thursday, Oct. 11 – Periods 45671

Archery Intramural-Open to all, 3:00-4:25 pm (Leck-Main Gym-[John P Leck@mcpsmd.org](mailto:John_P_Leck@mcpsmd.org))

Cross Country Meet v. Baker MS @ Home (Coach-Mr. [Stevenson-](mailto:Stevenson-Sean_T_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org)

[Sean T Stevenson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Sean_T_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org))

Drama- Little Mermaid Jr., 3:00-4:25 pm (Heinemann -Rm. 105-

[Paul W Heinemann@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Paul_W_Heinemann@mcpsmd.org))

RecXtra Science Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Evans-Rm. 260-[Tara J Evans@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Tara_J_Evans@mcpsmd.org))

Softball v. Baker MS (Boys Home/Girls Away) (Boys- [Gerald E DelescavageJr@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Gerald_E_DelescavageJr@mcpsmd.org);

Girls-[Brian C Lucas@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Brian_C_Lucas@mcpsmd.org))

STEM Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Harris-Rm. 140-charris@letusteachyou.org)

Yearbook Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Belman-Rm. 368-[Lisabeth S Belman@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Lisabeth_S_Belman@mcpsmd.org))

Friday, Oct. 12 – Periods 23456

No after-school activities

After School Activity and Bus Information

***Activity bus UPDATE: The stop at Observation Drive and Great Park Circle is now on Activity Bus 2. Please make sure that your child is aware of this change.**

After-school activities are scheduled Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 3:00-4:25 pm.

Students hear about activities during morning announcements. Activity buses are provided each

day and leave school at 4:25 pm. Please take this opportunity to discuss which route your child

should take to get home and have them write it in their agenda book—Bus 1, Bus 2, or Bus 3.

(See link below). **These stops are sometimes different from the regular bus stop. Below is**

the link to the most updated Activity Bus Stop list:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/18f7sTqouWETd4ZcyjEEseBuEZNmACpGh/view?usp=sharing>

Additionally, for students who walk home, please review the route they should take. All students who are car riders need to be picked up NO LATER than 4:25pm.

OCTOBER EVENTS

****October 10 - MORE - 50 Men on Deck**

Want to show you care? Want to help your child and others start off to a great day? We're calling for 50 bold, influential adult males (i.e., dads, guardians, uncles, grandfathers) to come out to help us welcome students to school in the morning (7:30-8:20 am) and wish them a great day of learning. The event is on October 10, 2018. Please save the date, and most importantly sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4dadae2eaafb6-more> or contact Sulli at kaphung19@gmail.com

October is Wellness Month at RH!!

The PE department is leading the charge into Wellness Month by focusing on our school community's fitness. In Health classes students are focusing on their mental and emotional health, writing a plan to maintain or improve it. In PE, during functional movement classes, students will write a fitness plan that they can use at home! During the week of October 22, students will hear about a different component of fitness each day. **We will also attempt to "Exercise Across America" as a school community, and celebrate 'Pink Out' day on Thursday, October 25, to spotlight breast cancer research.** We hope you join us in celebrating Wellness Month at RHMS by living well!

PTA Fall Scholastic Book Fair

The Fall Book Fair is coming and we need your help! Please consider volunteering at the PTA Fall Scholastic Book Fair this November! Please click on the link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B084FACA96-ptafall>

Afterschool Items

- **Chess Club**

Students interested in the Chess club should complete the registration link below. The chess club will be preparing for the Rocky Hill Chess Tournament scheduled for late January 2019. The tournament will be open to all scholastic players. For more information about the Chess club see the registration form link or contact Mr. Craig Harris at charris@letusteachyou.org.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1vjjFVBJz1YyUhJyLxfVkuboYq_tr5X-F/view?usp=sharing

- **Intramurals**

Intramurals have begun and are open to ALL 6th, 7th, & 8th graders who are interested in participating in something active after school. All that's needed to participate is an Intramural Permission Slip (link below) which can be downloaded from the "Afterschool" page on the RHMS Website, or pick one up from the Girls PE office at any time.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1TYLuqtCD5WqpowO6aJqBfB3f03Mq34Fm/view?usp=sharing>

--**Archery Intramurals** will meet Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays the entire month of October.

--Starting October 9, the schedule will be as follows: Tuesdays – 6 grade, Wednesdays – 7 & 8 grade, & Thursdays – open to all.

--**Tennis Intramurals** will be on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays beginning October 16 -

November 1. See Ms. Brouillard in girls PE office if you need a permission slip or have questions. [Melanie J Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie_J_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org)

- **RecXtra After-School Program**

RecXtra after-school activity permission slips may be picked up from Ms. Chilnick in Room 269. Please contact Ms. Chilnick for questions.

[Deborah N Chilnick@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Deborah_N_Chilnick@mcpsmd.org). Be sure to listen to morning announcements for upcoming activities that will be offered in the next few weeks.

--**Lego Robotics- UPDATE--***There are no more spots left in Lego Robotics. Please see Ms. Chilnick about getting on the waiting list. Additionally, if you miss two days in a row, you may be in jeopardy of losing your space to someone on the waiting list.*

--**Book Wars**--please see Ms. Gramatges in the media center for a registration form.

--**Board Games** is up and running. There are still plenty of spots. See Ms. Chilnick for a registration form or **click on the link below** and turn in to Ms. Chilnick in Rm. 269.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1kxCKvvdQn9t6CFU1as44PuryKlh6l_Y-/view?usp=sharing

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ig7AX_3DuBop3iSbek3LSoCr5riMXWAH/view?usp=sharing

- **STEM Club**

Students interested in the STEM club should complete the registration link below. STEM club will be building Smart Cars and using microcontrollers as the computer brain. For more information about the STEM club see the registration form or contact Mr. Craig Harris at charris@letusteachyou.org. (UPDATED LINK):

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1CBz6klFFLvIxXEcWBiUH8Re6qX7OCl_n/view?usp=sharing

- **Yearbook Club**

Yearbook Club will meet for the first time on Thursday, October 11th from 3:00-4:25 pm in Rm. 376 with Ms. Belman. Students in all grade levels are welcome! We will start working on the plans for an awesome 2018-2019 yearbook. If you have questions, please see Ms. Belman ([Lisabeth S Belman@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Lisabeth_S_Belman@mcpsmd.org)) in Rm. 376.

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