

**THE WEEKLY WILDCAT UPDATES 2018-2019**  
**Week of November 12, 2018**

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:**

1. **RHMS Information and Calendar**
2. **RHMS Reminders**

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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.**

**Monday, Nov. 12– Periods 1, 3, assembly, 4, 5, 2, 6 and 7**

Veterans Day Ceremony @ 9:00 am (see separate email sent)

**PTA Book Fair in Media Center, 7:30 am-12:45 pm & 4:00-7:00 pm**

**Early Release Day for all students at 12:30 pm**

No after-school activities. No after-school buses.

**Boys and Girls Club is CLOSED today, Monday November 12, 2018**

**'Arena' Style Parent Conferences (see separate email sent)**

**Tuesday, Nov. 13– Periods 1234675**

**PTA Book Fair in Media Center, 7:30 am-12:45 pm**

**Early Release Day for all students at 12:30 pm**

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**Wednesday, Nov. 14 – Periods 12345**

Choral Department Field Trip to NYC, all day [Paul\\_W\\_Heinemann@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Paul_W_Heinemann@mcpsmd.org)

**Jazz Band, 7:00-8:00 am** (Ms. Schiller-Rm. 103) [Heidi\\_L\\_Schiller@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Heidi_L_Schiller@mcpsmd.org)

**PTA Book Fair in Media Center, 7:30 am-2:30 pm**

Chess Club, 3:15-4:25 pm (Mr. Harris-Rm. 164) [craig.harris@stem247.org](mailto:craig.harris@stem247.org)

**NO** Little Mermaid, Jr., 3:15-4:25 pm (Mr. Heinemann-Cafeteria)

**NO** Model UN, 3:15-4:25 pm (Ms. Fong-Rm. 358) [Stephanie\\_L\\_Fong@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Stephanie_L_Fong@mcpsmd.org)

Musical Painting-Stage Crew, 3:15-4:25 pm (Ms. Kielek-Rm.

149) [Elise\\_M\\_Kielek@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Elise_M_Kielek@mcpsmd.org)

RecXtra Baking Club, 3:15-4:25 pm (Ms. Rachel Blache-Rm. 140)

RecXtra Lego Robotics, 3:15-4:25 pm (Mr. Smith-Rm. 143) [Kalani\\_Smith@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kalani_Smith@mcpsmd.org)

RecXtra Super Smash Bros. Melee Club, 3:15-4:25 pm (Ms. Gramatges-Media

Center) [Laurie A Abita-Gramatges@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Laurie_A_Abita-Gramatges@mcpsmd.org)  
SGA, 3:15-4:25 pm (Mr. Conley-Rm 167) [Kevin J Conley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kevin_J_Conley@mcpsmd.org)

### Thursday, Nov. 15 – Periods 67123

#### PTA Book Fair in Media Center-Final Day, 7:30-9:00 am

NJHS Meeting, B-Lunch-11:24-11:54 am (Mr. Smith-Rm. 143) [Kalani Smith@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kalani_Smith@mcpsmd.org)

Leo's Club, 3:15-4:25 pm (Mr. Stevenson-Rm 258) [Sean T Stevenson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Sean_T_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org)

Little Mermaid, Jr., 3:15-4:25 pm (Mr. Heinemann-Cafeteria) [Paul W Heinemann@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Paul_W_Heinemann@mcpsmd.org)

Musical Painting-Stage Crew, 3:15-4:25 pm (Ms. Kielek-Rm. 149) [Elise M Kielek@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Elise_M_Kielek@mcpsmd.org)

Newspaper Club, 3:15-4:25 pm (Mr. Conley-Rm 167) [Kevin J Conley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kevin_J_Conley@mcpsmd.org)

RecXtra Green Team, 3:15-4:25 pm (Ms. Evans-Rm. 260) [Tara J Evans@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Tara_J_Evans@mcpsmd.org)

STEM Club, 3:15-4:25 pm (Mr. Harris-Rm. 150) [craig.harris@stem247.org](mailto:craig.harris@stem247.org)

Yearbook 3:15-4:25 pm (Ms. Belman-Rm. 376) [Lisabeth S Belman@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Lisabeth_S_Belman@mcpsmd.org)

### Friday, Nov. 16 – Periods 45671

Grade 8 Field Trip to CHS/Crucible Play, 8:30 am-12:00 pm **\*\*See details below.**

No after-school activities. No after-school buses.

### Afterschool Activity and Bus Information

- **After-school activities** are scheduled Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 3:00-4:25 pm. Students hear about activities during morning announcements. After-school activities can also be found on the Rocky Hill MS website 'Calendar of Events.' <https://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/rockyhillms/>

•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). Please make sure to listen to announcements for information on new RecXtra clubs after school including a baking club that is scheduled to start on Nov. 14th. Registration forms will be available on Friday, Nov. 9 from Ms. Chilnick in Rm. 269.

--A new **Board Games session** is beginning on November 14. See Ms. Chilnick for a registration form in Rm. 269. *All students must turn in a new registration form for this new session.*

•**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?us>

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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.

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## NOVEMBER EVENTS

### Free school-based Flu Clinic - Tuesday November 13

Has your child received a flu shot yet? If your child is between the ages of 3 and 18 years, make an appointment for your child to receive a free flu shot at John F. Kennedy, Northwest or Rockville high schools on Tuesday, November 13, 2018, from 1:30-4:30 p.m. by visiting the Montgomery County government website at [www.MontgomerycountyMD.gov](http://www.MontgomerycountyMD.gov) or calling 311. #FlightFlu.

### SGA Food and Toiletry DRIVE

the Rocky Hill Student Government Association will collect items for our Wildcat Cares pantry this week, November 12-16. This provides household items (diapers, toothbrushes, toilet paper) and food items (boxed and canned goods) for families in our communities. Please donate and bring in items all next week. Boxes will be available in the front foyer by the gym every morning.

### \*\*8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to CHS -The Crucible

Eighth graders will be going to CHS to watch their performance of *The Crucible* on Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:30-12:00. The cost of the performance is \$4.00 but we are asking families to consider "ROUNDING UP to \$5.00" to allow all students to attend this trip. Permission slips are due to Mrs. Wilkerson by Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>. Students will walk to and from the high school and will return to RHMS in time for lunch. There will be an intermission during the play and snacks will be available for purchase.

[Lelah\\_G\\_Wilkerson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Lelah_G_Wilkerson@mcpsmd.org)

### Attention all 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade basketball players-tryouts are November 27-29

The Cross Country & Softball seasons are over and Basketball season is just around the corner! If you are planning to try out, you must have the necessary paperwork turned in to Ms. Brouillard PRIOR to November 26<sup>th</sup>. Here are 3 things you need in order to try out: 1) be academically eligible with a minimum of a 2.0 GPA for Quarter 1 (so keep those grades up!!); 2) a CURRENT physical form signed and dated by the doctor; and 3) a signed parent permission slip. The physical forms and permission slip links are below. They can also be found on the school website under "After School" or you can pick them up from the Girls Locker Room. It's never too soon to get that paperwork in, so see Ms. Brouillard today! Tryouts begin on Tuesday, November 27 Thursday, November 29. Anyone trying out is expected to attend all 3 days of tryouts. [Melanie\\_J\\_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie_J_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org)

**Permission Slip** - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1YUOPHkOx-7fEajVILJ4ZQHRx2aEYTmWo/view?usp=sharing>

**Health Inventory Form** - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1qAsFrmibIdU-g8XwLgPH60zSSTWcfMbt/view?usp=sharing>

### **Growing Stronger Together**

Throughout the week of November 12th, Rocky Hill students and staff will express our gratitude toward those who truly make a difference in our lives. Each day during the morning announcements, a student volunteer will model how to say ‘thank you’ in a different language. Additionally, during first block, students and staff will be encouraged to write a ‘thank you’ note to someone representing a different group each day, followed by a gratitude list to wrap up the week. Index cards will be provided for the thank you notes.

- Monday 11/12 - Veterans Day: A student will model how to say ‘thank you’ in Spanish. Students and staff will be asked to choose writing a thank you note to someone in the military/veteran orto first responders. We will provide different colored index cards in your mailboxes to represent the two groups.  
Green - Military/Veteran  
Blue - First responders
- Tuesday 11/13 - A student will model how to say ‘thank you’ in Mandarin. Our thank you note focus will be *thanking a peer in the classroom*.
- Wednesday 11/14 - A student will model how to say ‘thank you’ in Amharic. Our thank you note focus will be *thanking a family member*.
- Thursday 11/15 - A student will model how to say ‘thank you’ in French. Our thank you note focus will be *thanking a staff member*.
- Friday 11/16 - A student will model how to say ‘thank you’ in Korean. To wrap up the week, students and staff will be asked to write a gratitude list to include *10 things you are grateful for in your life*.

### **Lifetouch Pictures**

Pictures packages and school IDs will be distributed on Tuesday, November 20 with report cards.

### **Picture Retake Day**

If your student did not get their photo taken by Lifetouch on Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, Lifetouch will be back on Thursday, November 29!

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## **2. Reminders**

### **PE reminder about the cold weather**

The weather is getting cooler by the day and the students need to have warm clothing if they are going outside. The PE department has sweatpants and hoodies available for sale in all sizes. Each piece is \$25 and sports our beautiful logo. Remember, all profits from sales go to fund our

equipment and facility needs here at RH. You can send cash or check made payable to RHMS with your child, or order online using a credit card at the following link:

<https://osp.osmsinc.com/MontgomeryMD/BVModules/CategoryTemplates/Detailed%20List%20with%20Properties/Category.aspx?categoryid=BY372>

Thank you for your support!