

THE WEEKLY WILDCAT UPDATES 2018-2019
Week of 2/25/19

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**

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. To report an absence for the day, please leave a voice message on the attendance phone line at 301-601-3195. Please include the full name and grade of your child.**

Reminder: Afternoon Bus Passes

Parents/Guardians, if your child needs to ride a different bus from the school in the afternoon due to other after school arrangements, your child **must** bring a note to the office in the morning from you to request a pass to ride a different bus in the afternoon. **Please include the following:**

- Date(s) of the change**
- Full name of your child**
- Bus route number requested**
- Best contact phone number**

Please remind your child to turn in the note for a pass in the morning. We are unable to process bus change requests after 2:45 pm. For questions, please contact the main office at 301-353-8282.

Monday, Feb.25-Periods 23456

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

Tuesday, Feb. 26-Periods 71234

Do-Gooders Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Fong-Rm. 366) [Stephanie L Fong@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Stephanie.L.Fong@mcpsmd.org)

Extended Day Math, 3:00-4:25 pm (3:00 pm in Ms. Flynn's Rm.

276) [Stephanie M Flynn@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Stephanie.M.Flynn@mcpsmd.org)

Math 8 Support (Ms. Braune-Rm. 150) [Patricia A Braune@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Patricia.A.Braune@mcpsmd.org)

Algebra Support (Ms. Murray-Rm. 152) [Danielle M Murray@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Danielle.M.Murray@mcpsmd.org)

Math 7/IM Support (Ms. Sampson-Rm. 180) [Tyleet R Sampson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Tyleet.R.Sampson@mcpsmd.org)

Girls Fit for Life Intramural, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Demosky-Tippett & Ms. Grimsley-Aux

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Invent the Future Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Harris-Rm. 164) craig.harris@stem247.org

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

RecXtra Book Wars, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Gramatges-Media Center) [Laurie A Abita-Gramatges@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Laurie.A.Abita-Gramatges@mcpsmd.org)

RecXtra Cooking Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Smith-Rm. 140) [Kalani Smith@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kalani.Smith@mcpsmd.org)

3 v 3 Basketball Intramural, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Brouillard -

Gym) [Melanie J Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie.J.Brouillard@mcpsmd.org)

Wednesday, Feb. 27-Periods 56712

Jazz Band, 7:00-8:00 am (Ms. Schiller Rm. 103) [Heidi L Schiller@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Heidi.L.Schiller@mcpsmd.org)

NJHS Meeting-Officers Only, A-Lunch-10:45-11:15 am (Mr. Smith-Rm.

143) [Kalani Smith@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kalani.Smith@mcpsmd.org)

Chess Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Harris-Rm. 164) craig.harris@stem247.org

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Model UN, 3:00-4:25 pm, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. 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-Cafeteria/Rm. 176) kaphung19@gmail.com

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

RecXtra Geo Bee Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Sweeney-Rm.

356) [Daniel F Sweeney@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Daniel.F.Sweeney@mcpsmd.org)

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

SGA, 3:00-4:25 pm, (Mr. Conley-Rm. 167) [Kevin J Conley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kevin.J.Conley@mcpsmd.org)

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Gym) [Melanie J Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie.J.Brouillard@mcpsmd.org)

PTA- Germantown Chick-Fil-A Spirt Night, 5:00-8:00 pm ****See Details below!**

Thursday, Feb. 28-Periods 34567

FCA Huddle, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Delescavage-Rm.

180) [Gerald E DelescavageJr@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Gerald_E_DelescavageJr@mcpsmd.org)

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RecXtra Business Challenge, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Duarte-Rm.

364) [Nelia R Duarte@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Nelia_R_Duarte@mcpsmd.org)

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

STEM Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Harris-Rm. 164) craig.harris@stem247.org

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Gym) [Melanie J Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie_J_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org)

School SGA Dance!, 3:00-4:25 pm, Cafeteria [Kevin J Conley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kevin_J_Conley@mcpsmd.org) ****See Details below**

Friday, Mar. 1-Periods 1234567

Early Release Day for Students at 12:30 pm

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

After-school 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/>

•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 4:25 pm.

•RecXtra after-school activity permission slips may be picked up from Ms. Chilnick in Rm. 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.

•**Activity buses** – After-school 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, Bus 3 or Bus 4. Please see the link with the most current activity bus information.

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February/March Events

****Spirit Night at Chick-fil-A-Wednesday, Feb. 27 and RHMS Staff members will be there too!**

On Wednesday, February 27 from 5 – 8 pm, please grab dinner at Chick-fil-A (in Germantown) to help raise funds for student programs. RHMS staff and the PTA Board members will be there to greet families and lend a helping hand.

Girls Fit For Life-Feb. 12-28

Calling all the ladies! Come join Ms. Tip and Ms. Grimsley afterschool, where fun and fitness collide. What can you expect? Positivity, laughter, a quick workout to get your blood pumping, lunch and snack ideas, ways to boost your confidence and deal with stress! Trying out for soccer this spring? This will be a great start to prepare you for the season! So grab your tennis shoes and workout clothes and get an Intramural Permission Slip from the Girls locker room! Fit Club will meet **Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and runs from February 12-March 28.**

[Teresa A Demosky-Tippett@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Teresa.A.Demosky-Tippett@mcpsmd.org) [Diana M Grimsley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Diana.M.Grimley@mcpsmd.org)

3v3 Basketball Tournament-Feb. 19-28

Attention all basketball players...We will be having a 3v3 basketball tournament on Tuesdays, **Wednesdays & Thursdays from February 19-28.** The 3v3 tournament is open to all 6, 7, & 8 graders, so get your team together and come out ready to ball! Can't find a team? No problem! Come anyway and we'll get you hooked up with one. You need an Intramural Permission Slip turned in to Ms. Brouillard and you must be academically eligible to participate. [Melanie J Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie.J.Brouillard@mcpsmd.org)

RecXtra Connect Business Challenge-Feb. 21-May 2

Attention students! RecXtra and Ms. Duarte are sponsoring a Connect Business Challenge on **Thursdays beginning February 21** which will end with a competition. See Ms. Chilnick in room 269 for registration form. Interested in an opportunity to design a business start-up? Love to engage in design thinking & entrepreneurship? The JA Connect Business Challenge Club will culminate in our students competing against other MCPS students by pitching their ideas in the 2019 Business Challenge. See Mrs. Chilnick or Mrs.

Duarte.[Deborah N Chilnick@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Deborah.N.Chilnick@mcpsmd.org)
[Nelia R Duarte@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Nelia.R.Duarte@mcpsmd.org)

Men Organized to Raise Engagement (M.O.R.E.)-Feb. 27

M.O.R.E. meets every other week—the next meeting is this week on **Wednesday, February 27** at RHMS right after school. For more information please contact: **Mr. Sullivan Phillips** at kaphung19@gmail.com or **Mr. Raymond James** at Raymondjamescompliance@gmail.com

****SGA Winter Dance THIS Thursday, Feb. 28th**

- Time 3:00-4:20 pm
 - Cost- \$5.00
 - **Permission slips were sent home on Thursday, February 14.** <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1n1ZhIMhyjCmDL2i2-V3uzSbv-sr9zzsl/view?usp=sharing>
 - **Students must purchase their dance ticket in the morning before classes begin.**
 - **Permission slips must be returned along with the \$5.00 cost for a ticket by Wednesday, Feb. 27.**
 - Snacks and drinks will be sold at the dance and we will have a professional DJ. Activity buses are also available.
 - See Mr. Conley with any questions. [Kevin J Conley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kevin.J.Conley@mcpsmd.org)
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ATHLETICS_Soccer Try-Out Information-Forms Due Mar. 4

Attention all 7 & 8 graders...The Basketball season is over and spring is just around the corner...you know what that means! Soccer tryouts will be here before you know it! If you are planning to try out, you must have the necessary paperwork turned in to Ms. Brouillard by **MARCH 4**. (Anyone without the proper paperwork turned in by **March 4** will NOT be able to participate!) **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 2;**
- 2) a CURRENT physical form signed and dated by the doctor;**
- 3) and a signed parent permission slip. The physical and permission slip links are below, or can be found on the school website under "Activities." You can also pick up the forms from the Girls Locker Room. It's never too soon to get that paperwork in, so see Ms. Brouillard today! Tryouts for all 8 graders will be on Tuesday, March 5, all 7 graders on Wednesday, March 6, and all 7 & 8 graders on Thursday, March 7.**

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Dirt Tour is coming to Damascus-Thurs. Mar. 7

Have a middle or high school student that loves to bike, wants to learn how or needs an inclusive group where they can grow physically, mentally and socially? Interested in coaching and being part of an amazing and supportive program? Come see what the [Maryland Interscholastic Cycling League](#) is all about. The League Directors and students athletes from 2018 will be at [All American Bicycle Center](#) in Damascus on **March 7**, at 6:00 pm. You don't want to miss this informative presentation and Q&A session. If you can't make it to the meeting but want to learn more, contact Morgan Arnone directly at [Morgan G Arnone@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Morgan_G_Arnone@mcpsmd.org). (Cluster point of contact for this activity, Health & Physical Education Teacher, Hallie Wells Middle School)

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Invent the Future Challenge-Sat. Mar. 9

Get the inspiration and mentorship you need to invent the future! KID Museum & Bullis are hosting an Innovation Exchange for teams participating in the Invent the Future Challenge on **Saturday, March 9** @ 10:30 am-12:00 pm to help spark ideas and support Challenge work. All Invent the Future students are welcome. Find more information at the Kid Museum Event Webpage or reach out to Mr. Harris craig.harris@stem247.org. <https://kid-museum.org/event/innovation-exchange-off-site/>

Yearbooks are on sale-Pre-Orders due Thurs. Apr. 28!

Flyers and information have been distributed. There are errors on the flyer. Cash and check payments at school will be accepted until our inventory runs out. Each regular hard cover yearbook costs \$30. **Please consider paying online with a credit card.** Go to <https://ybpay.lifetouch.com> and the Yearbook ID Code is 9140519.**Special custom orders and online orders will close on April 28 not March 22.** Cash and check payments can be made to Rocky Hill MS and turned into the main office using the order envelope on the flyer. Cash and check payments will continue until we sell out. Contact the yearbook coordinator, Lisabeth Belman([Lisabeth S Belman@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Lisabeth_S_Belman@mcpsmd.org)) with any questions or concerns.

2. Reminders

Weekend Food Boxes

If you are a family in need of weekend food boxes (non-perishable items- cereal, canned food items and pasta, etc.) for your family, please contact PTA parent volunteer, Mrs. Jacqueline Moore at jpmmoore@me.com or Rocky Hill Principal, Dr. Cynthia Eldridge

at Cynthia_Eldridge@mcpsmd.org. ***All communication is confidential.*** Requested items may be picked up from the school main office.

Please email Mrs. Moore or Dr. Eldridge with the information below:

- **Your name:**
- **Student Name:**
- **Student Grade Level:**
- **Contact Phone Number:**
- **Date you are requesting a box: Friday, March 1, 8 AND/OR Friday, March 15.**