

THE WEEKLY WILDCAT UPDATES 2018-2019
Week of 4/22/19

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**
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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.

Monday, Apr. 22

NO SCHOOL-Spring Break

Tuesday, Apr. 23 –Periods 23456

RH Earth Day Awareness-Paperless Day-How to use less paper

PTA Scholastic Book Fair – Media Center

Volleyball Intramurals, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Brouillard-Gym) [Melanie J Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie_J_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org)

Book Wars, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Gramatges-Media Center) Laurie_A_Abita-Gramatges@mcpsmd.org

Do-Gooders Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Fong-Rm. 358) [Stephanie L Fong@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Stephanie_L_Fong@mcpsmd.org)

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

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

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

Soccer Practice BOYS ONLY, 3:00-4:25 pm Boys Coach-Mr. Stevenson/Girls Coach-Mr. Conley [Sean T Stevenson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Sean_T_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org) [Kevin J Conley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kevin_J_Conley@mcpsmd.org)

Wednesday, Apr. 24-Periods 1234567

RH Earth Day Awareness-Water Ways Day-SERT students will collect and measure “gray water” after each lunch.

Jazz Band, 7:00-8:00 am (Ms. Schiller-Rm. 103) [Heidi L Schiller@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Heidi_L_Schiller@mcpsmd.org)
PTA Scholastic Book Fair – Media Center
Student Member of the Board (SMOB) Elections all day through PE classes
Volleyball Intramurals, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Brouillard-Gym) [Melanie J Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie_J_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org)
M.O.R.E., 3:00-4:25 (Mr. Phillips-Cafeteria) 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)
Soccer Practice, 3:00-4:25 pm Boys Coach-Mr. Stevenson/Girls Coach-Mr. Conley [Sean T Stevenson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Sean_T_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org) [Kevin J Conley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kevin_J_Conley@mcpsmd.org)

Thursday, Apr. 25-Periods 1234567

RH Earth Day Awareness-Plastic Awareness Day- Students will measure the amounts of plastics consumed at lunches.

**** Take your Child to Work Day (see details below)**

PTA Scholastic Book Fair – Media Center

Grade 8 Field Trip to Smithsonian, 8:45 am-2:30

pm [Lelah G Wilkerson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Lelah_G_Wilkerson@mcpsmd.org)

Volleyball Intramurals, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Brouillard-Gym) [Melanie J Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie_J_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org)

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

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

NJHS Meeting-All Members, 3:00-4:25 pm (Mr. Smith-Rm.

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

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

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

Soccer v. Neelsville MS, Girls Home/Boys Away Boys Coach-Mr. Stevenson/Girls Coach-Mr. Conley [Sean T Stevenson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Sean_T_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org) [Kevin J Conley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kevin_J_Conley@mcpsmd.org)

Friday, Apr. 26-Periods 71234

RH Earth Day Awareness-Power Down Day and Clean-Up Day- Reduce the amount of electricity consumed and help keep our school grounds free of trash. Earth's Colors and Clean-Up Day (Students and staff will wear Earth's colors and sixth grade students will Spring Clean the school grounds).

PTA Scholastic Book Fair – Media Center

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.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/16apYzaE-n74M7Mv6-Ae_wI8LEKfM1XZJ/view?usp=sharing

PTA Fall Scholastic Book Fair begins this week-April 23-29

The Spring Book Fair will be open to students and their families beginning Tuesday, April 23rd. Please consider volunteering at the PTA Spring Scholastic Book Fair this April! Click on the link to sign up:<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b084faca96-2019>.

- Visit our Scholastic Book Fair page for more information:<http://www.scholastic.com/bf/rockyhillmsmediacenter>.
- Students can now pay using eWallet-Learn more here:<https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/parent-how-it-works.html>

Or shop online through May 1st. Not sure how? Watch Scholastic's online tutorial:https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/assetuploads/OFE_Tour_F15.mp4

Intramurals

Volleyball intramurals will begin Tuesday, April 23 and will meet each Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday until Tuesday, May 7. This intramural is open to all students of any skill level. Students must have an intramural permission slip turned in to Ms. Brouillard in order to participate. Intramural permission slips can be picked up from the girl's locker room at any time, or downloaded from the school

website.<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1TYLuqtCD5WqpowO6aJqBfB3fo3Mq34Fm/view?usp=sharing>

Men Organized to Raise Engagement (M.O.R.E.)-next meeting-Wednesday, April 24

M.O.R.E. meets this Wednesday, April 24 at RHMS right after school, in the cafeteria. For more information please contact: **Mr. Sullivan Phillips** at kaphung19@gmail.com or **Mr. Raymond James** at Raymondjamescompliance@gmail.com

****Take your Child to Work-Thursday, April 25**

On Thursday, April 25, we will recognize/observe "Take Your Child to Work Day." Please discuss this opportunity with your child. If you will be taking your child to work with you, please complete the permission slip below and return it to the Rocky Hill main office to

the attention of Ms. Lina Sloan **by Wednesday April 24th**. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1rww7LozkoIgk16k463SFnZjsskC_p033/view?usp=sharing

RecXtra After-School Activity has openings

The following RecXtra club has openings:

- [Wildcat Club](#) meets on Tuesdays through May 7. Hangout and finish your homework before you get home!
Deborah_N_Chilnick@mcpsmd.org Nelia_R_Duarte@mcpsmd.org
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Yearbooks are on sale! *On-Line* Pre-Orders are due Sunday April 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 hardcover 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 with any questions or concerns. Lisabeth_S_Belman@mcpsmd.org

Wildcat Art Gallery Returns April 29-May 3!

Save the Dates for the Wildcat Gallery filled with work by Rocky Hill students, April 29 to May 3. Families are invited to enjoy an evening Gallery Reception on Wednesday, May 1, from 6:00-8:00 pm. The Wildcat Gallery will feature Tech and Design, Digital Art, LCL, LCML, LCFM, and Studio Art displays. Walter_G_Perrone@mcpsmd.org

Crash The Boards against Cancer is May 17, 2019

Many of you may remember our famous WillPower games from the past. Well, **SAVE THE DATE!** for Friday, May 17, starting at 5:30pm for our 'Crash the Boards Against Cancer' Community Event, at Rocky Hill. We will have inflatables, raffles, food, a dunk tank, and more for the kids and adults (all students must be supervised by a parent or guardian. This is not a drop off event). We will also have a cornhole tournament for parents and a 3v3 basketball tournament for the students. More details to follow. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society via our NJHS Relay for Life team on Saturday/Sunday, May 18 & 19th. Stay tuned for more information on how to register your cornhole team. The parent winner will play the staff winner, and the 3v3 winners will play each other at the end of the evening in the gym. Flyer link: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Sa1E4Y_NHs8hTKqY9-PSaSLJvizHqZGh/view?usp=sharing

2. Reminders

As the weather gets warmer, we want to remind students about appropriate attire for school. According to the MCPS Students' Rights and Responsibilities, "Students have a responsibility to be dressed and groomed for school in a manner that contributes to a school environment conducive to learning." Please talk with your child about appropriate attire for school.

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, April 26, Friday, May 3 AND/OR Friday, May 10.

MCPS Parent Academy Spring Schedule

Sign up for Parent Academy Workshops today! Childcare is provided, interpretation services are available. Visit the website, for workshop descriptions: www.mcpsparentacademy.org or call 240-740-4620. See the link for the workshop flyer: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1foz8Z2UdCY7-mFqy1uyOLUxKsQggyIJ2/view?usp=sharing>