

## THE WEEKLY WILDCAT UPDATES 2018-2019

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. 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. 8-Periods 23456

**\*\*Grade 8 Permission Slips for Washington DC Field trip are due today!**

**Outdoor Education Session I (Specific information sent to Parents of Grade 6 students)**

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

#### Tuesday, Apr. 9 -Periods 71234

**Cornhole/Horseshoes Intramural**, 3:00-4:25 pm, [Brian\\_C\\_Lucas@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Brian_C_Lucas@mcpsmd.org)

[Melanie\\_J\\_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie_J_Brouillard@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](mailto:craig.harris@stem247.org)

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

**RecXtra Safe Sitter Club**, 3:00-4:25 pm (Rm. 157) [Deborah\\_N\\_Chilnick@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Deborah_N_Chilnick@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 v. Baker MS, Boys-Home/Girls-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)

#### Wednesday, Apr. 10-Periods 56712

**OE Session I returns at 1:15 pm/OE Session II departs (Specific information sent to Parents of Grade 6 students)**

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

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

**Cornhole/Horseshoes Intramural**, 3:00-4:25 pm, [Brian\\_C\\_Lucas@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Brian_C_Lucas@mcpsmd.org)

[Melanie\\_J\\_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie_J_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org)

**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., 3:00-4:25 (Mr. Phillips-Cafeteria) [kaphung19@gmail.com](mailto: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-Girls Only, 3:00-4:25 pm Girls Coach-Mr. Conley  
[Kevin\\_J\\_Conley@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Kevin_J_Conley@mcpsmd.org)  
**\*\*No Soccer Practice for Boys**

#### **Thursday, Apr. 11-Periods 34567**

Cornhole/Horseshoes Intramural, 3:00-4:25 pm [Brian\\_C\\_Lucas@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Brian_C_Lucas@mcpsmd.org)  
[Melanie\\_J\\_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie_J_Brouillard@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 Green Team, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Evans-Rm. 260) [Tara\\_J\\_Evans@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Tara_J_Evans@mcpsmd.org)  
RecXtra Safe Sitter Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Rm. 157) [Deborah\\_N\\_Chilnick@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Deborah_N_Chilnick@mcpsmd.org)  
Soccer Practice-Boys Only, 3:00-4:25 pm; Boys Coach-Mr. Stevenson  
[Sean\\_T\\_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Sean_T_Stevenson@mcpsmd.org)  
**\*\*No Soccer Practice for Girls**  
Yearbook Club, 3:00-4:25 pm (Ms. Belman-Rm.376) [Lisabeth\\_S\\_Belman@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Lisabeth_S_Belman@mcpsmd.org)

#### **Friday, Apr. 12-Periods 12345**

**Outdoor Education Session II returns at 1:15 pm (Specific information sent to Parents of Grade 6 students)**

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

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## Grade 6 Outdoor Education Week

The two sessions of Grade 6 Outdoor Ed are this week, April 8-10 and April 10-12. Specific information was sent to parents of grade 6 students in a separate ConnectEd message.

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### **\*\*Permission slips due for Smithsonian Field trip\_Due Monday, April 8**

8<sup>th</sup> Graders will be going on a fieldtrip on Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> to the American History Museum and the Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C. Permission slips were sent home last month. **They will be collected until Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> in the Wildcat Den.** The cost of the trip is \$14.00. We are in need of about 30 chaperones for this trip to be possible. Please consider chaperoning. If you would like to chaperone please check the box on the permission slip. *Below are the links to the Cover letter, permission slip and transportation form, due to school by April 8.* [Lelah.G.Wilkerson@mcpsmd.net](mailto:Lelah.G.Wilkerson@mcpsmd.net)

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### **RecXtra After-School Activities-openings**

**The following RecXtra clubs have openings:**

- [Wildcat Club](#) meets on Tuesdays through May 7. Hangout and finish your homework before you get home!
  - The [Safe Sitters Club](#) still has openings. The club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays through April 11 and upon completion of the course, students will become 'Safe Sitter Certified'. See Mrs. Chilnick in room 269 for a registration form. **Space is limited** so hurry up and return those permission slips!  
[Deborah\\_N\\_Chilnick@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Deborah_N_Chilnick@mcpsmd.org)
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### **Cornhole/Horseshoes Intramural-April 2-April 11**

We will have a Cornhole/Horseshoes intramural on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays through April 11<sup>th</sup>. This intramural will be open to all 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, & 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who are interested in improving their cornhole game. Students need to have an Intramural permission slip turned in to Ms. Brouillard. Contact Ms. Brouillard or Mr. Lucas with any questions.

[Melanie\\_J\\_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Melanie_J_Brouillard@mcpsmd.org) [Brian\\_C\\_Lucas@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Brian_C_Lucas@mcpsmd.org)

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### **Men Organized to Raise Engagement (M.O.R.E.)-next meeting-Wednesday, April 11**

M.O.R.E. meets this Wednesday, April 11 at RHMS right after school, in the cafeteria. For more information please contact: **Mr. Sullivan Phillips** at [kaphung19@gmail.com](mailto:kaphung19@gmail.com) or **Mr. Raymond James** at [Raymondjamescompliance@gmail.com](mailto:Raymondjamescompliance@gmail.com)

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### **PTA Fall Scholastic Book Fair-April 23-29**

The **Spring Book Fair** is coming and we need your help! Set-up for the book fair is on April 15<sup>th</sup> and will be open to students and their families beginning April 23<sup>rd</sup>. 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 from April 18th-May 1st. Not sure how? Watch Scholastic's online tutorial:  
[https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/assetuploads/OFE\\_Tour\\_F15.mp4](https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bookfairs/cptoolkit/assetuploads/OFE_Tour_F15.mp4)

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### **Yearbooks are on sale-Pre-Orders due Thursday 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 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.

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### **Career Readiness Summer Camps (Middle School)**

Registration is now open for the 2019 Career Readiness Summer Camps for middle school students. Camps will take place at Gaithersburg High School from June 24 through 28, and Thomas Edison High School of Technology from July 8 through 12, 2019. More information is available at: [www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/career-readiness/news/news.aspx?id=581452](http://www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/career-readiness/news/news.aspx?id=581452).

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## **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](mailto:jpmmoore@me.com) or Rocky Hill Principal, Dr. Cynthia Eldridge at [Cynthia\\_Eldridge@mcpsmd.org](mailto: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 12, Friday, April 26 &/OR Friday, May 3**