



# Rock Springs Middle School Monthly Newsletter

September 2018

## September 2018 Important Dates

Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Popcorn  
Fundraiser Turn in Date

Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> No School (Labor  
Day)

Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> Progress Reports

Week of Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>  
We are collecting Box Tops.

Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> Early Dismissal Day  
(8:00-11:30)

Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>: Football  
Homecoming

Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> Last School Day  
before Fall Break

School Website:  
<http://rsm.rcschools.net/>

School Twitter:  
@RSMSKNIGHTS

Dear Members of the Rock Springs Community,

The school year is off to a great start and we are excited to embark on another great school year. Every month, we will provide the community with a State of the School Address produced by our video production team which will be uploaded to our school website. This will provide a quick synopsis of the month ahead.

**Chronically Absent and Truancy:** Students who miss 10% or more of the school year for any reason will be considered chronically out of school. Those students will have a negative impact on our school's performance level; chronically absent students will make up 10% of our school's accountability grade under Tennessee's ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) plan. RSMS Tier Truancy plan can be found on our website under the parents tab.

**Fall Festival:** The Fall Festival on Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> will include inflatables, music, carnival-type games, other activities, and lots of food. The cost for the carnival is \$20. Included with the \$20 is a wristband which will allow you to do most of the activities. Both wristbands and tickets will be available for purchase on the day of the Fall Festival. Your child may want to bring additional money to buy extra tickets for the carnival. Tickets are needed for food and booths. Our cafeteria will provide lunch at the normal price. Everyone will be able to attend and there will be activities that do not require tickets.

This is the signup for volunteers:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E49ADA628A5FA7-rsms18](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E49ADA628A5FA7-rsms18)

This is the signup for drinks:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E49ADA628A5FA7-rsms19](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E49ADA628A5FA7-rsms19)

**Pop Corn Fundraiser:** It is time for our annual Popcorn Fund Raiser where we will be selling a variety of popcorn! This year's fund raiser began in August with turn in dates scheduled for Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> and Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>. We encourage our students to participate in this fundraiser so we can continue to purchase new instructional materials for our classrooms. Last year we were able to purchase a grade level set of calculators, laptops (for student usage) and a new computer lab. Thank you for your continued support with our fundraisers.

**Ready at the ROCK:** The theme at RSMS this year is Ready at the ROCK. R-Respect Everyone, O-Observe Safety, C-Choose Responsibility, K-Keep Focused. We will be rewarding students who demonstrate appropriate Ready at the Rock behavior. Additional information can be found under the Parents Tab on our website.



## Athletics/Clubs

Athletic/Club Event Calendar can be found on our school website under the Calendar Tab

## Athletic Home Games

Football: (Football home games are played at Stewarts Creek High)

- Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> vs. Rockvale
- Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> vs. Whitworth-Buchanan (Homecoming)

Girls Soccer:

- Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> vs. Central
- Sept. 13<sup>th</sup> vs. Christiana
- MS Tournament at Stewarts Creek Middle starting Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>

Volleyball:

- Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>: vs. Blackman
- Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> vs. Stewarts Creek
- Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> vs. LaVergne
- MS Tournament @ Oakland Middle starting Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>

**Meet the Faculty:** Below is a list of our teachers by subject area. Our teachers do so much for our students throughout the year and this just gives us an opportunity to highlight them. We encourage parents to help us spread kindness through our building by sending our teachers emails of support and encouragement throughout the year.

Science		Math		English		Social Studies		SPED		Electives	
Smith	Tracey	Davis	Laura	Caldwell	Ashley	Marcum	Rhonda	Pope	Melinda	Grady	Deborah
Clark	Hayley	Sweet	Nathan	Jackson	Sunni	Kovach	Matt	Neu	Kristin	Taylor	Deanna
Straughter	Jasmine	Wankel	Julie	Benson	Boone	Gray	Chris	Comer	Kimberly	Stirbens	Nicole
Hunt	Tamela	Pierce	Allana	Barton	Diana	Stephenson	Keith	Elrod	LeAnn	Turner	Brian
Dickerson	Rebekkah	Robertson	Trudy	Sain	Katie	Richmond	Beverly	Pannell	Marlene	Trotter	Ryan
Morris	Nathan	McCallister	Alicia	Gold	Jayson	Spurlock	John	Niemietz	Hannah	Pyka	Lorna
Culver	Hope	Gregg	Lucrecia	Bogle	Elizabeth	Sanford	Tina	Gunter	Brittany	Hensley	Caroline
Elliot	James	Johnson	Lacey	Walters	April	Jackson	Drew			Swafford	Emily
Grimes	Gracie	Todd	Emily	James	Priscilla						
		Mickulin	Ami	Baber	Autumn					Chestnutt	Emmanuel
				Hubbard	Erica					Carter	Emily
				Theisen	Brian					McIntyre	Stephanie
				Dugger	John					Harper	Beth
				Randolph	Jordan					Bronstein	Aaron
				Davis	Brian					Brown	Melissa
				Victory	Rachel					Smith	April
				Dufault	Rachel					Nance	Melissa
				Martin	Brenda					McClanahan	Kristy
										Campbell	Debra
										Strickland	Jordan

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It is a pleasure to be a part of the greatest faculty, staff and student body in the State of Tennessee and it is our vision at Rock Springs Middle School to prepare our students to be successful at the middle school level and to equip our students with the necessary tools for success in high school.