



Rock Springs Middle School Monthly Newsletter

March 2018

March 2018 Important Dates

Freshman Orientation at the students zoned High School. Please check the schedule on our website

March 7th: Picture Day

March 8th: Early Dismissal Day

March 15th: Report Cards

March 22nd: Parent Teacher Conferences

March 26th-March 30st: Spring Break

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

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@RSMKNIGHTS

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Dear Members of the Rock Springs Community,

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. We will also provide a more detailed newsletter that will outline our schools progress, successes and important dates to remember.

Parent Partnerships: We had a PTO meeting this semester to talk about how we can improve our communication and partnership with parents and community stakeholders. Please let us know if you have any suggestions or will be willing to assist our school.

High School Registration: 8th Grade Students will be starting the registration process soon for their zoned high school. During this time we encourage students and parents to discuss the students schedule with the guidance counselors at the zoned high schools to determine the best option for the students. We encourage all our 8th Grade students to visit the Freshmen Orientation nights at their zoned high school. You can view the RCS Freshmen Orientation information on the Rutherford County Website.

Freedom Shrine: The National Exchange Club recently dedicated a Freedom Shrine to Rock Springs Middle School. The shrine is a permanently mounted collection of 30 of the most important and historic American documents, including the Declaration of Independence, Constitution of the United States, Gettysburg Address and Martin Luther King's historic "I Have a Dream" speech. Please visit the link below to see pictures and more information about the Freedom Shrine.

<https://www.rcschools.net/apps/news/article/833263>

Congratulations: Rock Springs Middle would like to congratulate Mrs. Laura Davis for being nominated as the Teacher of the Year for Rock Springs Middle School. Banquet Ceremony was held at Embassy Suites on February 28th.



Athletics

As Spring is approaching we have multiple athletic teams preparing for their seasons. Please click on the following link to view our athletic teams webpages, <http://rsm.rcschools.net/apps/departments/index.jsp?show=ATH>

- Baseball: Mr. Stem
- Boys Soccer: Mr. Dugger
- Track: Mr. Morris
- Softball: Ms. Jackson
- Bowling: Mrs. Neu and Mrs. Straughter

Clubs/Activities

The RSMS 7th & 8th grade choirs will be presenting the musical "Mary Poppins Jr." from March 16th-18th. There will be grade level school performances on Friday, the 16th, an evening performance at 7:00 pm on Saturday the 17th, and a matinee performance at 3:00 pm on Sunday, the 18th. The cost of admission for the evening and matinee performance is \$5.00.

Visible Learning

What works best for learning? John Hattie's Research

Visible Learning means an enhanced role for teachers as they become evaluators of their own teaching. According to John Hattie, Visible Learning and Teaching occurs when teachers see learning through the eyes of students and help them become their own teachers.

At Rock Springs Middle, we are asking teachers and students to be able to answer the following questions during each class period.

- What am I learning today?
- How do I know I am learning it?
- How do I know when I have learned it?
- What does success look like?

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.