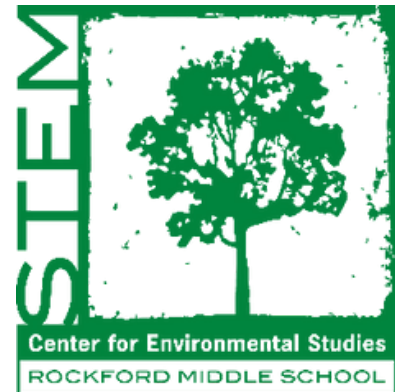


ROCKFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES



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Dear RMS-CES Families,

We have had a great week at RMS-CES with so many fun memories. A few of my favorites include welcoming 6th graders who came back from Deep Portage with big smiles on their faces, getting a chance to talk to all the fifth graders, and meeting with our student council for the first time. Below are a few updates.

Deep Portage: Since our sixth graders returned from Deep Portage Wednesday afternoon, I have heard nothing but amazing things about their experience during their 3-day stay at Deep Portage. Staff and chaperones were incredibly complimentary of students while they were up there. I'm grateful. Not only that our students had such a positive experience, but they also represented the Rockford area community incredibly well with their engagement, cleanliness, and desire to learn.

Conferences: I just wanted to have you save the date that RMS-CES middle school conferences will happen on October 17th from 3:30 to 7:30. Attending conferences is optional to parents, and is traditionally thought of as a time to connect regarding your progress or any concerns. More information will follow in the coming days.

Arriving to class on Time: The habits that students create during the middle school years serve them well throughout their course of high school and beyond. One habit we're really trying to help students understand is the value of making sure you're showing up to class on time. The vast majority of our students do an incredible job with this, but I want to make sure all parents know that our school will continually focus on helping students get to class on time and in the coming days and weeks. Please know that if your child has five or more Tardy marks you will receive a letter from me via email in the near future.

Secure Mode Drill: Please know that on Wednesday, October 4th at approximately 8:50 a.m. we will have a Secure Mode Drill which is a part of our Safety and Security Process. Secure mode is used if we were to have a threat outside of the building or an indirect threat/situation such as a medical emergency. Our process is quite simple as we will have about 5 minutes where we will not allow visitors in the building, and keep students in their classroom as normal.

Bus Evacuation Drill: On Thursday, October 5th during boost, students will go out to some buses that will be on site and review transportation expectations with the drivers and participate in a mandatory bus evacuation drill. This should take no more than 15 minutes.

Paul Warzecha



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PICTURE **RETAKE** DAY WILL BE
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13TH



Picture Day
a whole new way
Día de fotografías de una manera completamente nueva

A new school portrait experience designed by you, for you.
Una experiencia nueva de foto escolar diseñado por ti, para ti.



- Preview your pictures before you buy
Pre-visualice en línea antes de comprar
- Buy only what you want
Compre únicamente lo que desee
- Personalize your photos with a variety of backgrounds and add text
Personaliza tus fotografías con una variedad de fondos y agregar texto
- Photos ship directly to home
Las fotografías se envían directamente a su hogar
- High-res digital downloads
Descarga de alta resolución
- If you have more than one child, you can order everything together and pay only once
Si tienes más de un hijo, puedes pedir todo junto y paga solo una vez



Our "Green Screen" technology allows you to personalize backgrounds. But it makes green clothing disappear into the background.

Don't wear green for picture day please!
¡Por favor, no utilice ropa de color verde el día de fotografías!

Get ready for Picture Day!
¡Prepárate para el día de fotografías!

ROCKFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL

EVENT CODE: FE92523
código de evento:

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2023
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023 - RETAKE

IMPORTANT UPDATE TO FIELD TRIP DATES:

Due to a scheduling conflict with The Raptor Center, the 6th Grade and 7th Grade Baker trip dates have been swapped.

6th Grade - October 6

7th Grade - October 24



Please call our attendance line to report your child absent.

763-477-7525

ROCKFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

**TAHER IS HIRING! TAHER IS LOOKING FOR A FEW AMAZING
PEOPLE TO JOIN THEIR ROCKFORD KITCHEN TEAM!**



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- * No nights or weekends
- * Same schedule as the school
- * Free meals and uniforms
- * Rewarding work in a fun atmosphere

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RMS-CES PARENT/COMMUNITY NEWS

Reminders & Opportunities



Click Here

Classroom Wish Lists

YEARBOOK

Please order your RMS-CES yearbook for the 2023-2024 school year, please have your student turn in \$20 to the office. or Order online at www.yearbookforever.com

Thank you!

The nurses office could use kleenex donations. Please send with your student to drop off in RMS-CES office



PROM FUNDRAISERS!

Save the Date

SUNDAY, OCT 8 & SUNDAY, MARCH 3

Join Class of 2025 Rockford Prom committee at Billy's for ManCave/Purse Bingo. Doors open and 10am. Bingo starts at 11am. All proceeds go to Prom 2024

Not an ISD 883 sponsored event

FUNDRAISER PROM 2024

Purse & Mancave BINGO

Sunday, Oct 8th - 11 A.M.

Billy's Bar - Rockford, MN

\$50 at the door / 10 GAMES

DOORS OPEN at 10 A.M.
CASH ONLY

HANOVER ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
LIC # 02415-004

RMS-CES PARENT/COMMUNITY NEWS

Reminders & Opportunities:



Attention: Governor Walz signed a bill into law to provide breakfast and lunch at no charge to students at participating schools, beginning in the fall for the 2023-24 school year.

APPLICATION FOR EDUCATION BENEFITS:

If you haven't already done so, please take a moment to fill out this [FORM](#). Our school also receives state funding for technology based on qualifying families! For more information or a Spanish version, click [HERE](#).

FOOD SERVICE REMINDER:

Please check your parent portal for notifications (letters) regarding current food service balances.

Please note, per our School Board approved [School Meals Policy](#), Low Account Balance and Negative Account Balance email reminders will continue to be sent.

Since Rockford Area Schools are not receiving additional meal funding at this time, it remains the parent(s)' or guardian's responsibility to ensure adequate funds are available in the meal account.

ATTENTION
PLEASE!



It is very important to ensure the school district has current household and contact information for all students. Please be sure to log in to your Parent Portal account to complete the Annual Update. The online update will replace the emergency forms you have received in the past. Keeping household information updated will help families stay connected and be informed of upcoming events, and it will ensure you receive information regarding any important announcements.

To complete the annual update, please do the following:

- 1) Log in to your Parent Portal Account
- 2) Select "More."
- 3) Select "Online Registration"
- 4) Select "23-24 School Year Annual Update for Existing Students"

The information that is in our system will auto-populate for parents to review or update. Please be sure to submit your annual update as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please contact Christa Larson at larsonchrista@rockford.k12.mn.us or 763-477-9165.

ATTENTION
PLEASE!

ROCKFORD EDUCATION FOUNDATION



ROCKET LAUNCH — MONTHLY GIVING —

Dear Rocket Families-

Supporting educational opportunities is the Rockford Education Foundation's mission. Each and every year we rely on generous donors to help us continue this work through fundraising events and recurring monthly donations from Rocket families.

Recurring monthly donations from parents and supporters creates sustainable revenue for programs supporting all three schools. We invite you to support our mission with a commitment at a level that works financially for your family.

[SIGN UP HERE](#)

****A Gift for NEW Members ****

Sign up between now and September 30th for \$10/month or more and receive this signature white YETI® Tumbler!

Questions: Email Kelly Grimm at kelly@rockfordfoundation.org



FROM THE ROCKFORD EDUCATION FOUNDATION: (THIS IS NOT AN ISD 883 SPONSORED EVENT)

RMS-CES PARENT/COMMUNITY NEWS

Reminders & Opportunities

ADULT ENGLISH CLASS



Come
Join
Us!

FREE ADULT ENGLISH CLASSES

begin on September 20 and go through May (following the Rockford school calendar).

Come at 6:00 pm on Wednesdays to
ROOM 804 AT THE ROCKFORD COMMUNITY CENTER.

Practice listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

All levels welcome!

Call Rockford Community Education

at (763) 477-4563 or

email Shannon Kolhei at jskolhei@gmail.com.



School Store Hours

**GET YOUR ROCKET GEAR
AT OUR VERY OWN
SCHOOL STORE!**



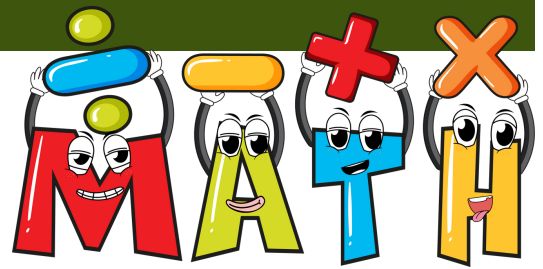
School Store October 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5 Store Hours: 5:30pm - 8:30pm C/JV/V Volleyball	6 Store Hours: 6:30pm - End of Half *at field V Football	7
8	9	10	11	12 Store Hours: 5:30pm - 8:30pm C/JV/V Volleyball	13	14
15	16 Store Hours: 4:00pm - 7:00pm RHS Conferences	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Store Hours: 4:30pm - 7:30pm RHS Conferences	27	28
29	30	31				

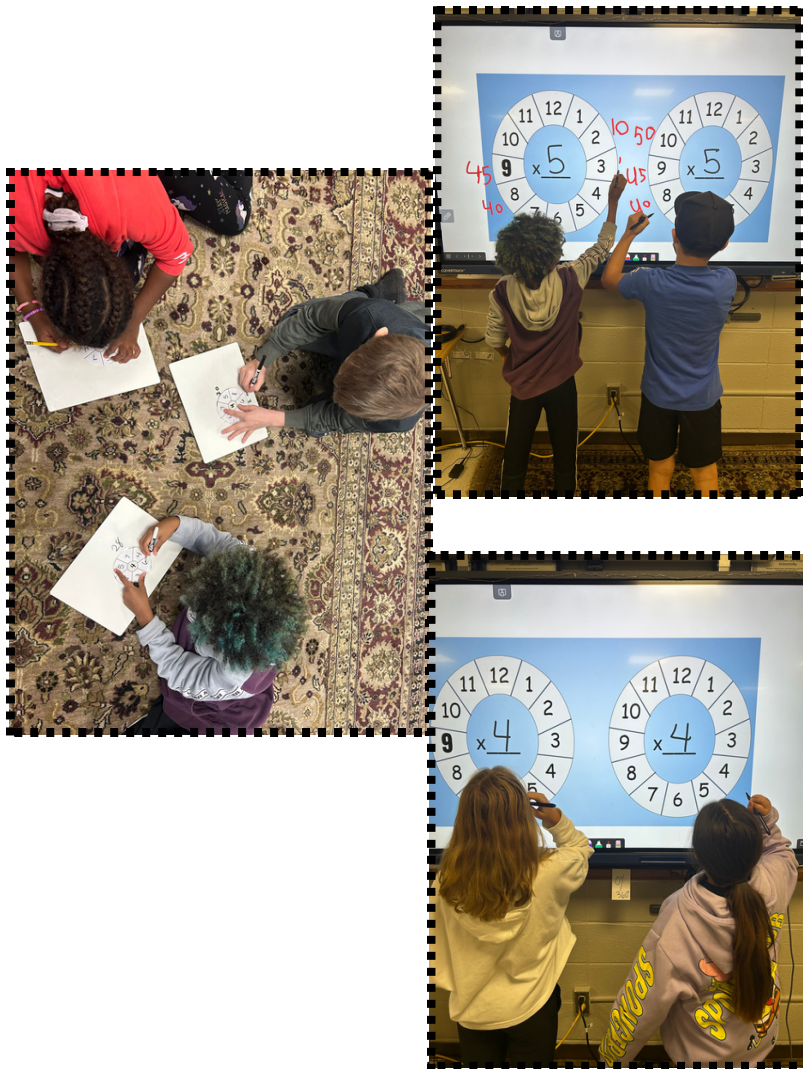
Dates and times subject to change based on event changes. Any changes will be updated and posted on our social media platforms.

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MATH with Ms. Nolby



This week in math, we have been reviewing multi-digit multiplication. We have also been focusing on our basic facts. Having a solid foundation with facts will help when we move to division. Math facts are important building blocks for future math concepts. Knowing the basic facts will help students to estimate, solve larger problems, and use mental math. Students can practice using a variety of games or even online games.



5 Ways you can help your child master basic facts:

1. Repetition... Practice!
2. Use Songs and Chants
3. Work on Math Fact Strategies
4. Model
5. Make it Hands-On



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BOOST BRAIN BREAK with Ms. Korzendorfer



Who?

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DEEP PORTAGE 2023

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Wrapping up the 2023 RMS-ES Deep Portage adventure! The weather was beautiful and the Spirit of Deep Portage lives on in another group of Rockford 6th Graders. Thank you to all who help to keep this tradition alive.

