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Important Dates

Friday, September 13th:

Home Football Game vs. PHS

Thursday, September 19th:

Back to School Night! (6-8 pm)

Title I Meeting (5:30 pm)

Friday, September 20th:

Minimum Day (1:00 pm dismissal)

ASB FoodFest

Saturday, September 21st:

Spartan Academy (8:00 am-12:15 pm)

Spartan Spirit Soars: Assemblies, Games, and Exciting Events!

Hello, Spartan Families!

Today's a big day at Rio Mesa!
We hosted grade-level
assemblies to kick off the year's
important updates. The Senior
class of 2025 was excited to hear
all about graduation, prom, Grad

Principal's Message

Hello, Spartan Families,
What a fantastic week it's been!
There's nothing like a Friday morning with our amazing Marching Band playing the Rio Mesa fight song as they march through campus—such a great way to start the day!
This week, our counseling staff worked closely with senior students, holding individual meetings to discuss college and career plans. We take great pride at Rio Mesa High School in ensuring that all of our students graduate fully prepared for their futures, whether it's college or career. I also want to highlight our Girls' Volleyball team for an incredible comeback. After trailing 0-2, they fought back, winning the third game. In game 4, they were down 18-24, but our girls showed true Spartan spirit and resilience, winning 26-24, and went on to win the fifth game, securing the match in an unforgettable night of volleyball! Don't miss out on any of our Spartan events. Our students continue to showcase their amazing talents, so come out and support them!
Go Spartans!

-Mr. Peterson, Principal Our librarian, Verity Oliff, teaching Spartans about IB-aligned research techniques!



Night, and the exciting events ahead as they wrap up their final year.

Homecoming Court Nominations!

Homecoming season is just around the corner! If your student is interested in running for Homecoming Court, remind them that nominations open next week. Ms. Guizar will send out nomination forms via the school email, so keep an eye out!

Game Day Highlights:

Our Spartans have two exciting home games today! Boys' water polo will be facing Crespi at 3:15 p.m., and football takes on Pacifica at 7:00 p.m. We encourage all families to come out and support our student-athletes!

Football tickets can be purchased online through GoFan.

Upperclassmen are also invited to a tailgate before the football game from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. on the basketball courts. Tonight's theme is "Minions," and we're looking forward to seeing students show their Spartan spirit!

Game Entry Information:

- Students must have their school ID ready for entry.
- Only Rio Mesa and Pacifica students will be admitted into the game.
- A clear bag policy will be enforced, so please remind students to plan accordingly.
- Free entry for students with an ASB card (with proof of the ASB stamp).
- Rally towels will be available for purchase at the game for \$5 to show Spartan pride!

Support Our Teams:

Next Wednesday, September 18th, boys' water polo will be holding a Kona Ice fundraiser after school. It's a fun way to support the team while enjoying a cool treat!

Important Club Updates:

If your child is part of a club, please remind them that club applications are due by Monday. We're excited for our annual Club Foodfest happening Friday, September 20th after school, where students can share their club's culture and enjoy some great food!

A Message to Our Spartan Community:

Access to certain areas of campus, such as the back hallway and cafeteria, has been limited recently. We're encouraging all students to show pride in their school by helping to prevent vandalism and keeping our campus clean. Together, we can ensure these spaces stay open for everyone to enjoy! Thank you for your continued support, and let's make this year one to remember! Go Spartans!



Our grade-level assemblies were a huge success today! Thanks to Ms. Guizar & Mr. Jimenez



Let's get ready for....College & Career!



The College & Career Center at Rio Mesa High School is dedicated to helping students explore their post-secondary options, whether that means preparing for college, vocational programs, or entering the workforce. It provides resources and guidance to assist students in making informed decisions about their futures.



Here are some important upcoming events:

- **September 18th:** Job Preparedness Series - Resume Workshop (6th period): [Students can sign up here!](#)
- **September 23rd:** USC Admissions Presentation (3rd period): [Students can sign up here!](#)
- **September 26th:** UC Application Workshop (4:00–6:00 p.m.) – Stop by the College & Career Center to register or visit their Instagram: [@rmhscollegecareercenter](#)



For more updates, students can join the Google Classroom using code **m7y7kvp**, or make an appointment with Ms. Robbins for personalized guidance.

Stay connected and encourage your student to take advantage of these valuable resources!

Join us for the Title I Meeting @ Back-to-School Night!

We invite you to join us for an important Title I Meeting during our upcoming Back-to-School Night. Title I provides essential federal funding that helps support our school's academic programs and ensures all students receive the resources they need to succeed. At the meeting, you'll learn more about how these funds are used to benefit your child's education, including tutoring, technology upgrades, and more.

This is a great opportunity to ask questions, provide input, and learn how you can stay involved in your student's academic journey. Your participation helps us create the best possible learning environment for every student!

We look forward to seeing you there and working together for your

student's success!

Unlocking Success: How Spartan Academy Helps Students Thrive

At Rio Mesa High School, we believe in giving students every opportunity to succeed, and **Saturday School** plays a vital role in supporting that goal. Designed to provide students with additional resources, Saturday School offers a chance to **recoup attendance**, engage in **enrichment activities**, build connection to school, and access **tutoring**.

Maintaining good attendance is key to academic success. For students who have missed class time, Saturday School provides a way to make up for those absences, ensuring they stay on track with their studies and meet attendance requirements. For those who need extra help, Saturday School offers **targeted tutoring** sessions.

Teachers are available to provide individualized support in key subjects, helping students to understand difficult material, catch up on assignments, and improve their overall academic performance.

Saturday School is more than a way to recover lost time—it's an opportunity for students to grow, learn, and thrive in a supportive environment. Encourage your student to take advantage of this resource and make the most of their educational journey!



Some of our Spartans
showing their spirit out in
the community :)

Thank you for reading!

Spartan Community, we want to hear from you! What exciting topics or helpful info would you love to see in our next newsletter? Drop your ideas in the comments below!

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