



# VIKING WEEKLY

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2026

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Upcoming Events

- Sept. 16: PTSA Meeting 1pm

### PTSA Membership Challenge

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From August 11 to September 17, the challenge runs in 1st hour classes –the first three classes to reach full participation will earn a prize, and if our school hits its \$20,000 goal, everyone celebrates!

<https://vhmsptsamembershiptoolkit.com/>

### Electronic Communication Devices

Reminder - All Cellphones, Smartwatches, Personal Bluetooth earbuds/headphones, and artificial intelligence eyewear must be turned off and put away during the school day.

For further details [please visit the district policies](#)

### **Principal**

Dan Mooney

### **Assistant Principal**

Megan Maguire

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### *Important Dates*

- Sept. 25: No School - PD day
- Oct. 2 - 8: Book Fair
- Oct. 6 - Picture Re-take
- Oct. 7 - Parent Teacher Conferences - In Person
- Oct. 9 - Pep Assembly (during school hours)
- Oct. 12- No School

### *Important Links*

[Van Hoosen Website](#)

[Viking Student Center](#)

[Counseling Connection](#)

[VH Media Center](#)

[VH Athletics](#)

[PTSA](#)

[Student Handbook](#)



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Positive\*Ownership\*Well-Mannered\*Excellence\*Respect



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## VH NEWS

### Attendance Reporting Procedure

Please notify the school of any student absences, late arrivals, or early dismissals before 12:00pm on the day of the event.

#### How to Report Attendance

You have two simple options for reporting a full-day absence or requesting a partial-day change:

##### Option 1: Online via [ParentVue](#)

1. Log into your [ParentVue](#) Account.
2. Click **"Report Absence"** next to your student's name.
3. **Select the correct date(s)**. The system defaults to the current day. You may report for the current day or schedule absences up to one week in advance.
4. In the **"Select a reason"** drop-down, choose **"absent"** for all requests (full-day absence, early dismissal, or late arrival).
5. **For early dismissal or late arrival**, use the **"Note" section** to clearly state the specific time of dismissal or arrival.
6. Remember to press **SAVE** when finished!

##### Option 2: Telephone

Call the **VH Attendance Line** at **248-726-4910** and follow the prompts to report either an all-day or part-day absence.

#### Early Dismissal Procedure

If your student is leaving school early:

- The student will be sent a pass from the office to notify them of the scheduled dismissal.
- They should come to the main office at the designated time.
- The student will wait in the office until the parent/guardian arrives in the lobby and signs them out.

If you have any questions regarding this procedure, please contact the Main Office at **248-726-4900**.

### Van Hoosen item and pass pick-up procedure

- T.V. monitors are installed in the hallways throughout the building .
- When parents or guardians request an early dismissal, their student's name will display on the T.V. monitors, indicating that they should report to the main office to pick up their pass.
- This same process will also be utilized for any items dropped off during the day.
- Students have successfully been using our new system this first weeks of school.



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## VH NEWS

[Michigan Dept. of Education Path-Finder  
for Post-Grad Opportunities  
Informational Packet](#)

### Health & Athletic Physical Information

- Any medical supplies needed for the upcoming 2026-27 school year such as prescription meds, Epi-pens, inhalers, etc. will need to have a Medical Action Plan or Medication Authorization form on file at the school. Updated MAPS are REQUIRED each new school year and must have the physician signature on the form. Please bring the signed and completed MAP form together with any medications to the main office in August during registration. [Click HERE for forms posted on the district website under Families-Community--Health & Wellness.](#)
- Athletic Physicals: [Click HERE](#) for a blank 2026-27 Athletic Physical form if your student plans to participate in any middle school athletics during this school year. Physicals must be dated after April 15, 2026 and have a physician signature to be valid.
- All incoming 7th graders are required by the state of Michigan to be up to date on their immunizations or have a waiver on file. [Click HERE for requirements](#), or call the Oakland County Health dept. or your health care provider.

[Key Information Link for School Supplies, Attendance, Hours, and More Information](#)  
<https://vanhoosen.rochester.k12.mi.us/about/key-information>



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## 8TH GRADE NEWS

### 8th Grade Washington D.C. trip



April 28 - May 1, 2027

#### Highlights:

- Explore the heart of **Capitol Hill**, home to the U.S. Capitol Building, the Supreme Court and the Library of Congress.
- Visit the **National Archives Museum**, home of the Declaration of Independence, Constitution, and Bill of Rights.
- Pay your respects at **Arlington National Cemetery**, and witness the Changing of the Guard at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.
- Nourish your knowledge through the amazing exhibits of the **Smithsonian Museums** on the National Mall.
- Experience the **US Holocaust Memorial Museum**, a living memorial to the Holocaust.
- Marvel at D.C.'s must-see **memorials**: Lincoln, Jefferson, World War II, Martin Luther King Jr., and Iwo Jima to name a few.
- Tour the **U.S. Naval Academy** in Annapolis...and more!

### [VH 2027 Expedition](#)

### [More Information Here](#)

For Trip Information and Registration Portal:  
Go to [academicexpeditions.com](https://academicexpeditions.com) and click on "GO TO MY TRIP"  
Enter your Tour Code: **vanhoosendc2027**



If you have any questions for the leader from your school, please contact:

**Ms. Zsigo:** [SZsigo@rochester.k12.mi.us](mailto:SZsigo@rochester.k12.mi.us)

**Ms. Snitgen:** [ASnitgen@rochester.k12.mi.us](mailto:ASnitgen@rochester.k12.mi.us)

For questions regarding registration, payments or insurance:

**Marlee Gordon (Academic Expeditions):** [mgordon@aedettravel.com](mailto:mgordon@aedettravel.com)



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## VH CLUBS



**VISIT OUR VAN HOOSSEN  
CLUBS PAGE ALL YEAR LONG**

[https://vanhoosen.rochester.k12.mi.us  
/student-life/clubs-activities](https://vanhoosen.rochester.k12.mi.us/student-life/clubs-activities)

For more information about each club please visit our

[Van Hoosen Clubs & Activities booklet.](#)

Click on each club below to view their flyer

[ROBOTICS CLUB](#)

[GREEN CLUB](#)

[YEARBOOK](#)

[SKI & SNOWBOARD](#)

[STREAM LEADERS \(8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE\)](#)

**WHERE DO I  
REGISTER & PAY?**



[D & D CLUB](#)

[SOCIAL JUSTICE](#)

[MATH COUNTS](#)

[E-SPORTS](#)

[ENCORE](#)



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## VH NEWS



### ODIN'S CORNER

The Viking School Store, called Odin's Corner, will be open beginning Sept. 18. Odin's Corner sales provide support to our Anchors peer mentoring program and activities, and also supplementary items to our three ASD classrooms and the students in those classrooms. Odin's Corner is open every Thursday during lunch for students to purchase snacks and trinkets. It is run with the help of parent volunteers, and we need help to make this a success. We need a helper or helpers on Thursdays from 10:45 AM–12:20 PM to interact with the students and help them complete their purchases. You can volunteer as much or as little as you like—once a week, once a month, or something in between. It's a great way to connect with the kids and be part of the fun.

[Volunteering Sign-up](#)



### VAN HOOSSEN MEDIA CENTER



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



#### Weekly Help in the Media Center



<https://tinyurl.com/vhmediacenter>

#### Book Fair Help October 1–October 9



<https://tinyurl.com/vhmsbookfair>



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## VH NEWS



### Order your

### 2026/2027 Yearbook



Order your yearbook today!

[Please click here for more details and order form.](#)

### Volunteer Forms

Anyone with plans to volunteer in any building in any capacity during the school year needs to have an electronic I-Chat form submitted each year. See below for link and instructions.

#### [• I-CHAT FORM LINK](#)

*New forms will need to be filled out each school year and are valid from July 1-June 30 each school year.*

### POWER Person Program

We are also asking parents to consider donating a \$5 gift card to a fun restaurant, store, iTunes, Amazon, Subway, etc. that you think a middle school student would appreciate receiving. We will be using these for our Positive POWER Person Program. Positive POWER Person program recognizes students who are displaying the attributes that exemplify our POWER motto. Students are entered into a weekly/monthly drawing and receive the gift cards and other prizes.

**Please bring these gift cards to the main office!**  
**Thank you so much for considering this generous donation.**



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## VH PTSA

# PTSA Membership Challenge

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### **PRIZE #1: 1<sup>ST</sup> HOUR Breakfast**

3 winning first-hour classes (1 sixth grade, 2 seventh/eighth grade) with full participation get a breakfast treat



### **PRIZE #2: Silly String Mr. Mooney!!**

If the school reaches \$20K in "One and Done" fundraising by September 17 students can silly string on the principal!

Winners announced week of September 21



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## VH PTSA

### VAN HOOSEN PTSA

#### MEMBERSHIP FORM



**Printable  
copy here**

Complete the form below sign up for membership

#### ► Parent/Guardian 1

- Full Name:
- Address:
- Phone Number:  • Email:

#### ► Parent/Guardian 2 (optional)

- Full Name:
- Address:
- Phone Number:  • Email:

#### ► Student 1

- Full Name:  • Grade:
- Phone Number (optional):  • Email (optional):
- 1st hour teacher:

#### ► Student 2 (optional)

- Full Name:  • Grade:
- Phone Number (optional):  • Email (optional):
- 1st hour teacher:

#### ► Directory Information

- Do you want your Information published In the directory? ☐ Yes ☐ No

|                          |              |       |      |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------|------|
| Adult Membership         | \$20/ADULT   |       |      |
| Super Student Membership | \$15/STUDENT |       |      |
| One & Done Fundraiser    | \$50/FAMILY  | 1     | \$50 |
|                          |              | total |      |

**Payments can be made via check to Van Hoosen Middle School PTSA,  
online on [vhmsptsa.membershiptoolkit.com](https://vhmsptsa.membershiptoolkit.com) or  
at registration**

CONTACT THE BOARD AT [VHPTSA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:VHPTSA@GMAIL.COM)  
WITH ANY QUESTIONS



**Visit the  
website here**

**[VHMSPTSA.MEMBERSHIPTOOLKIT.COM](https://vhmsptsa.membershiptoolkit.com)**



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## RCS NEWS



ROCHESTER ADAMS HIGH SCHOOL

### GOLD RUSH TAILGATE

Friday, Sept. 11, 2026



**FREE COMMUNITY-WIDE TAILGATE**  
4:30 - 7:00 PM  
ALL AGES ARE WELCOME

**FREE ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:**

- Inflatables, climbing wall
- DJ, silent disco
- Face painting, tattoos
- AdamBots interactive robotics
- Police, fire and military vehicles
- Gold Hush sensory tent
- Nature Table, therapy horses
- AHS marching band, dance and cheer teams

ADAMS HIGH SCHOOL  
ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB



**W. BLOOMFIELD AT ROCH. ADAMS  
FOOTBALL  
KICKOFF AT 7 PM**

**ALSO AVAILABLE AT REASONABLE PRICES:**

- Food trucks (until 9 p.m.) and concessions
- Adams spirit wear, gear and Gold Rush t-shirts
- Game tickets (Required for game admission, but not tailgate. Purchase in advance on GoFan.)



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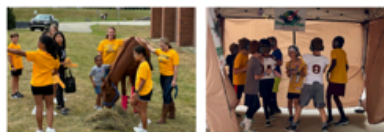
Rochester Adams High School  
3200 W. Tienken Road  
Rochester Hills



ROCHESTER ADAMS HIGH SCHOOL

### GOLD HUSH ZONE

Friday, Sept. 11, 2026



**AVAILABLE 4:00-6:30  
FOR A SENSORY-FRIENDLY  
TAILGATE**

Located on the hill at the North side of Adams

Parental  
Supervision  
Required

**W. BLOOMFIELD AT ADAMS  
FOOTBALL  
KICKOFF AT 7 P.M.**

**FREE SENSORY ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:**

- 4-4:30 quiet open
  - therapy horses & dogs
  - touch a truck
  - face paint, tattoos
  - nature table
- Silent disco
- Gold Hush sensory/quiet tent
  - Fidgets, Coloring, Sensory bins, Soft seating



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### THINK YOU CAN SPIN?

PERFORM WITH THE  
ADAMS COLOR GUARD

No experience? No problem! Come  
learn to spin and perform with us at  
the Adams vs. Clarkston game!

SAVE THE DATE

9/14 - PRACTICE

9/18 - PERFORM AT ADAMS

NO  
EXPERIENCE  
NEEDED!

WANNA TRY IT?



SCAN HERE!

QUESTIONS? [pdykst0446@rcs-k12.us](mailto:pdykst0446@rcs-k12.us) [@anowak8854@rcs-k12.us](mailto:@anowak8854@rcs-k12.us)



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## RCS NEWS



Rochester Community Schools Foundation

# Hometown Hustle

## 5K and Color Fun Run



## SEPTEMBER 19

Let's run, walk, stroll or volunteer together  
for RCS students!



### OUR SCHOOL COULD WIN THE MOST PARTICIPANTS!

The 21st annual Hometown Hustle 5K and color fun run is a beloved community tradition to support and advance learning for all Rochester Community Schools students.

Save the date for Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026, when community members come together to support RCS students. The event begins at 8 a.m. at the site of our premier sponsor, Chief Financial Credit Union in Rochester Hills.

### Three great ways to support and help our school win \$5,000!

- **Register to walk or run the course.** Choose the 5K loop or an all-ages 1-mile superhero color run where participants receive a superhero cape and color powder packet. \$20/students or \$30/adults
  - For every 50 participants registered, our school receives \$500 and an additional MATCH of \$1000 or MORE. if we win the most elementary, middle, or high school participants!! Students, staff, parents, grandparents, neighbors and all are welcome to **run, walk, stroll or volunteer together!**
- **Sponsor. Students. To. Participate!** You can join our list of esteemed sponsors and donate your complimentary passes to RCS students and support excellence at RCS..
- **Volunteer.** Volunteers are needed before, during and after the race.

Visit [RCS-FOUNDATION.ORG](https://RCS-FOUNDATION.ORG) or  
scan the QR to help our school win!

The RCS Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization that works in partnership with Rochester Community Schools to support educational programs that are above and beyond what the school district could otherwise provide.



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