Rumsey Station NEWS

HOME OF THE ENGINEERS

November 19, 2026

A NOTE FROM MRS. BURMEISTER

Rumsey Station Families,

As we head into the Thanksgiving season, we want to remind you that there will be no school from Wednesday, November 25th through Friday, November 27th. This long weekend gives students and staff a chance to pause, rest, and recharge.

We are incredibly proud of the remarkable learning and growth happening across Rumsey Station this year. From academic gains to social-emotional development, our students continue to amaze us with their curiosity, perseverance, and excitement for learning. Thank you for partnering with us and supporting your child's growth along the way.

A friendly reminder for morning drop-off: parents must remain in their vehicles. Safety Patrol and adults will be available to help open doors. Following this procedure helps ensure that drop-off remains smooth and safe for everyone.

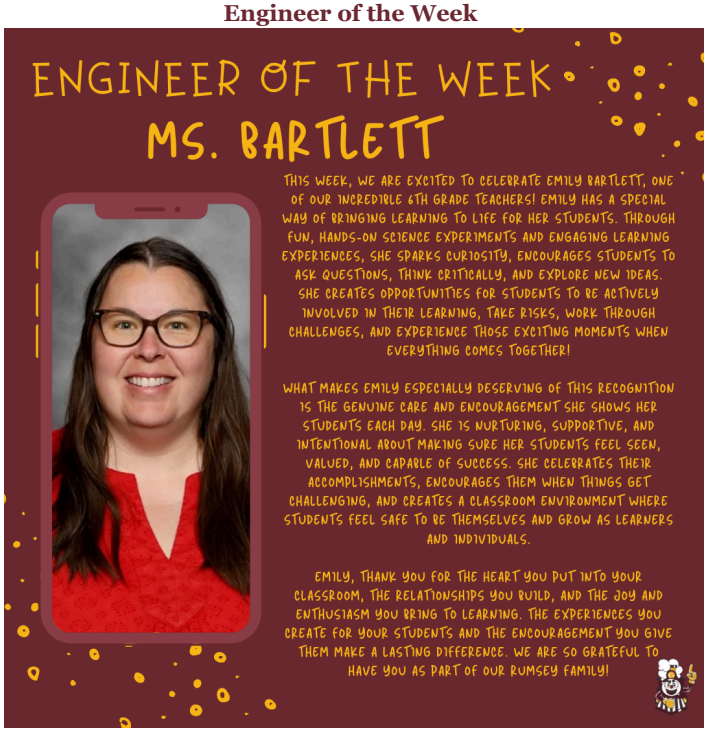
We are so grateful for our Rumsey community and all that makes our school such a special place. We hope your Thanksgiving break is filled with connection, gratitude, and joyful moments with family and friends.

School will resume on Monday, November 30th.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving!

Mrs. Burmeister

Engineer of the Week



Family Connection: Be You – I Am Human

This month, our Engineers are exploring what it means to **"Be You"** through the book *I Am Human* by Susan Verde. Students are learning that each of us has unique strengths, interests, feelings, and experiences that make us special. Through our activity, **"Our Differences Make Us Stronger,"** students will create a paper chain celebrating what makes each of them unique while recognizing that we are stronger when we come together.

Keep the conversation going at home! Ask your child:

What is something that makes you uniquely YOU?

What is something special about someone in your family or classroom?

How can we celebrate differences and help others feel like they belong?

As a family, take a moment to share one thing you appreciate about each person. Remind your child that our differences aren't just something to accept—they're something to celebrate!

At Rumsey Station, we believe every Engineer brings something special to our school community. Together, we are building a place where everyone can **Be Here. Be You. Belong.**

Attendance Updates

Student attendance at Rumsey Station is vital to the growth of our students. We want to prioritize students being in class as often as possible. As a building, we aim to ensure our students receive exposure to our guaranteed and viable curriculum as consistently as possible. As such, you may see absences marked unexcused. While worthwhile experiences, absences for out-of-town trips, vacations, sports tournaments, and performances will not be considered as excused absences. Medical illnesses and medical appointments will continue to be marked as excused. Please continue to provide our office with doctor's notes as possible. If there is a death in the family, any absences incurred will be marked as excused for bereavement.

Please continue to notify our office by no later than 8:30 AM if your child will not be in attendance. If we cannot get ahold of parents or guardians, we will work through emergency contacts.

Dates to Remember

November 19 3:15-4 Art Club & PBIS Troupe; 3:15-4:15 PTO Meeting

November 23 3:15-4 Engineer Club

November 24 7:15-8 Big Band; 1:30-2 4th Grade Family Poetry Celebration

November 25-27 No School, Fall Break

November 30 3:15-4 Engineer Club

December 1 7:15-8 Big Band; 3:15-4 Choir Club

December 2 7:20-8 Battle of the Books; 3:15-4 Art Club

December 3 3:15-4 ASL Club

Wintery Conditions Are Almost Here - Rumsey Station Recess Guidelines

Grade-level teachers and the office staff will determine whether students will go out for recess based on precipitation, wind chill, and temperature. We will plan for outside recess if the temperature or wind chill ("feels like") is above 10 using weather.com at the time of the recess. This might mean that a grade level that has a recess at 10 AM may stay inside due to wind chill, and then it might warm up in the afternoon to allow for other grade levels to go outside. We will always go outside unless it is actively snowing and the area cannot be cleared in time for a safe recess.

Please dress students appropriately for the weather each day so they can fully participate. Classroom teachers will be communicating this week what students in your child's grade level will be permitted to bring for outside winter play. There are many factors that go into this decision, such as length of recess, students' level of independence getting dressed/undressed, schedule for what is happening before/after recess, etc. Please make sure to take note of your child's grade level decision through their weekly communication/newsletter. Thank you for your partnership and cooperation in advance.

Adding Money to Lunch Account

Money can be added to your student's lunch account using Linq Connect. However, if you would like to pay using a cash or check (made out to Rumsey Station) that is fine too. The cost of a school lunch for the 2026-27 school year is $2.55.

Click HERE to access Linq Connect

Lunch Menu

Click Here for the November Lunch Menu!

Important Schedule Information

Lunch Times

Kindergarten: 11:15-11:40

2nd Grade: 11:25-11:50

1st Grade: 11:30-11:55

4th Grade: 11:45-12:10

3rd Grade: 11:50-12:15

5th Grade: 11:55-12:20

6th Grade: 12:05-12:30

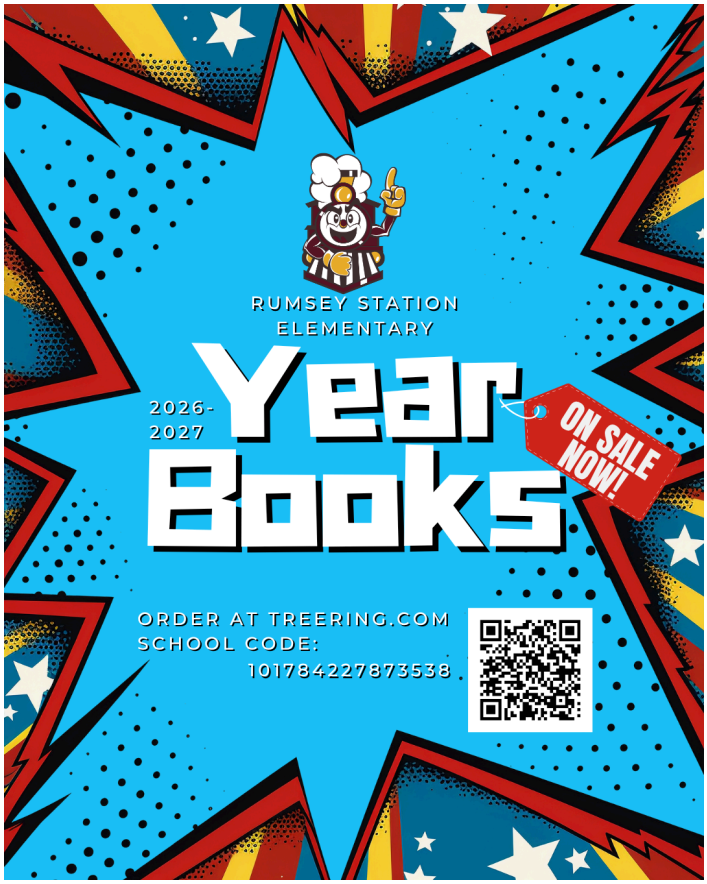
Guess what, Rumsey Station?!?

Rumsey Station Elementary School is using Treering to build the yearbook. That means your yearbooks have a personal touch: your book includes two free pages for you to personalize with your photos and your memories.

Get started by creating your free account!

You can personalize and order your book for $23.57 until April 2, 2027. (The personal pages are totally optional, so if you just want the more traditional yearbook, that's okay, too.)

Create My FREE Account



PTO NEWS

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 NO SCHOOL	3	4 Workroom Wednesday	5	6 Popcorn Friday! BounceU Night Picture Retakes	7
8	9	10	11 Workroom Wednesday	12	13	14
15	16	17 SPIN! PIZZA CNO - SPIN! PIZZA	18 Workroom Wednesday	19 PTO Meeting	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Happy Thanksgiving	27	28
29	30					

EVENTS:
- Nov 2: No School Elementary Only
- Nov 6: Family Fun Night at BounceU
- Nov 6: Picture Re-Takes
- Nov 17: CNO - Spin Pizza 5-8pm
- Nov 19: PTO Meeting at 3:15pm

NOTES:
- Family Fun Night at BounceU
- Friday, Nov 6: 5-8pm. Admission is $12 per child and a portion of the proceeds comes back to Rumsey Station!

PTO Meeting - We Need You!

Our next PTO meeting is coming up on November 19th at 3:15pm. We have volunteers to babysit, so please bring your kids after school and to the meeting in the Rumsey Station Library. We will be discussing how we are spending our fundraising money and voting on our next projects. We hope to see you there.



Free Family Movie Night

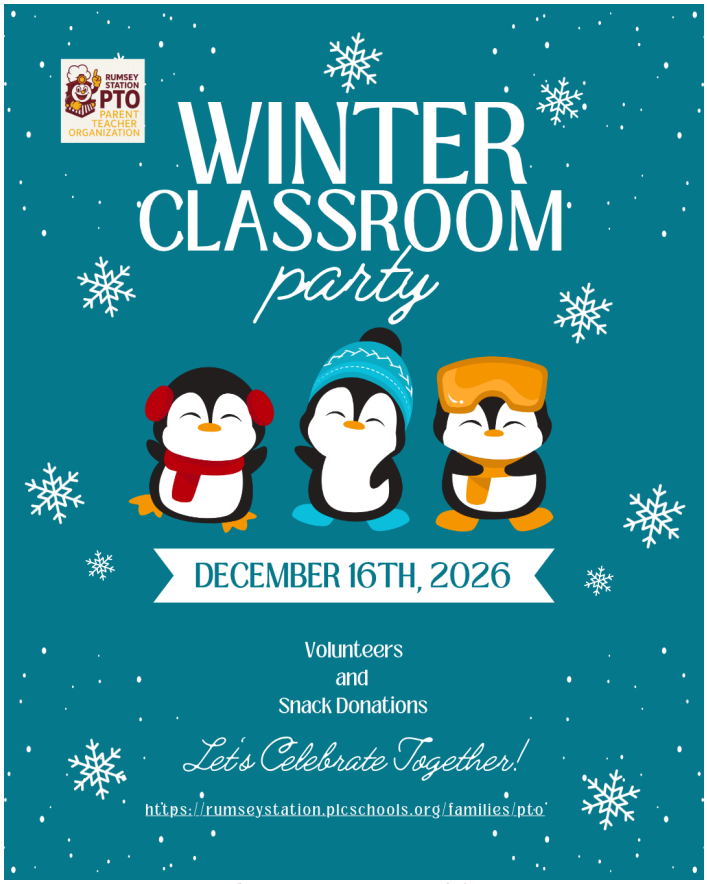
Join us Friday, December 4th at 6pm (doors open at 5:45pm) for a FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT right inside Rumsey Station. Popcorn will be free for attendees and pizza and water will be available for purchase. Bring a blanket, come in your pajamas, and get ready for a fun night with friends and families. Students will pick which movie we will watch in school on December 2nd. If you are available to help with concessions, sign up here!



Winter Classroom Parties!

We are celebrating fall in our classrooms on Friday December, 18th. Come in and help your student's classroom play some fun winter games or make a craft (activities are provided, we just need a helping

hand to help facilitate). SIGN UP HERE



Volunteer Opportunities!

Are you ready to get involved? Family Movie Night - Help with concessions Join us at Working Wednesdays, Popcorn Fridays, as a member on the Yearbook Committee, or email us at RumseyStationPTO@plcschools.org to find out more.

Join the PTO and the Volunteer Appreciation Program

Membership is a $10 donation that goes back to students and staff and you can join HERE. Thanks to a generous donation from a Rumsey Station Family, our PTO is able to celebrate our volunteers with a chance to win FREE AIRLINE TICKETS. Please review the rules below to see how you can qualify.

Rules & Details

How to Earn Chances:
- Be a paid Rumsey Station PTO member
- Participate in three (3) volunteer events to get one chance to win
- Maximum of three (3) chances to win per PTO member
- We would love to see you at as many events as you can attend!

Qualifying Events:
- Any PTO event with a Signup Genius link (Working Wednesday, Popcorn Friday, classroom parties, Fun Run, etc.)
- Must sign up, show up, and volunteer - please sign every time you volunteer
- Attend at least one general PTO meeting

Eligibility:
- Southwest employees and PTO board members are ineligible
- Tickets cannot be sold or auctioned off - this is a violation of Southwest's policy

Ticket Details:
- A winner will be selected before school releases for winter break
- A total of two tickets will be awarded
- Tickets are earned through volunteer hours from a PTO board member - more volunteer hours = more tickets

Each Ticket Includes:
- Round trip to any domestic city (Lower 48, Alaska, Hawaii, or Puerto Rico)
- Valid for travel February 1, 2027 to January 31, 2028
- Two (2) free checked bags
- Basic fare (winner can upgrade for a fee)

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💛 Moments That Matter at Rumsey Station! 💛



Did a Rumsey Station staff member make a difference for your child or family? Whether it was a big moment, a helping hand, or a simple act of kindness, we want to hear about it!

Your words help us celebrate the incredible staff who make Rumsey Station such a special place.

Share your gratitude by clicking the link below!
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeybQm3hNaCvOQ8fWyh0pUJ5BiUIodSsE-L80VcTvZnJ86q6w/viewform

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