

Weekly Wildcat Updates 9.26-9.30

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Good evening, Rocky Hill MS Community!

This is Principal Johnson with your Weekly Wildcat Updates:

EPICC Celebrations:

Shoutout to the science team and the 6th grade science teachers for taking learning outdoors last week so 6th grade students could determine abiotic and biotic factors on our campus.

September 21st was World Peace Day! Art classes created an amazing display of pinwheels to honor world peace day.

We continue our month-long celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month. Last week was trivia challenge week! Students with correct answers were able to enter a drawing for a raffle and a sweet treat!

Student Zen Den- Parents, due to overwhelming enthusiasm to support this project, we have extended the opportunity for parents/caregivers to contribute by purchasing items off the student Zen Den wishlist. Please see the link below:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1YN46Y3QM1MHK?ref=wl_share

The room was painted last week and the decorating has begun! If you would like to donate, please use the link for the items to be delivered to the school address or drop them off at the main office for the Counseling department. Thank you in advance for your consideration. On behalf of the counseling department, Ms. Isha Gupta, Resource Counselor. Stay tuned for updates!

Announcements:

(The weekly calendar can be found on the right side of the RHMS website)

MON, SEPTEMBER 26

Non-Instructional (No school for students and teachers)

TUE, SEPTEMBER 27

PD 2 Day: 2, A, 3, 4, 5, 6

Activity Buses

Boys/Girls Softball Practice

Cross Country Practice

Dodgeball Intramurals

Archery Intramurals (Beginners Only)

BFFF Tutoring Tuesday

- **MAP-M testing will be in Math classes during the week of 9/26/22. Make sure your child gets a good night's sleep and eats a balanced breakfast. Students need to charge their Chromebook and bring it with them each day to class.**

WED, SEPTEMBER 28

PD 7 Day: 7, A, 1, 2, 3, 4

Activity Buses

Cross Country v Clemente

Softball Girls v Clemente

Dodgeball Intramurals

Tennis/Pickleball Intramurals

Archery Intramurals (Beginners Only)

Rocky Hill Jazz Band

RecXtra Guitar Club

BFFF Men's & Women's Enrichment Programs

SGA

THU, SEPTEMBER 29

PD 5 Day: 5, A, 6, 7, 1, 2

Activity Buses

Boys/Girls Softball Practice

Dodgeball Intramurals

Archery Intramurals (Beginners Only)

Family Life Unit Review Night

FRI, SEPTEMBER 30**Early Release Day for students**

7 PD Day: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 5

Coming up soon! October 7, 2022 - student picture day

MCPS is asking for community input for next year's school calendar. Please consider completing the attached survey. MCPS seeks to use the survey in order to gauge the Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) community's interests as calendar scenarios are developed for the 2023–2024 school year. Staff will present the calendar scenarios for discussion at the Board of Education meeting on Oct. 25, 2022.

Please share your interests by Thursday, Oct. 13, 2022.

You may access the calendar at this link.

<https://novisurvey.net/ns/n/z11mu.aspx>

Admission Process Information Overview for Regional/Countywide High School Application Programs:

Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) offers a wide range of high school application programs for students entering Grades 9 through 12. These programs have a centralized admissions process, which begins with a common online application. The admission process opens in early October 2022.

- For students entering Grades 9–12 in 2023–2024, the regional/countywide high school application process admission, timeline, and program information is available at the Special Programs website: www.montgomeryschoolsmd.org/curriculum/specialprograms/high/
- MCPS has streamlined the Grade 8 high school application process by providing one common online application for all programs via Synergy. Grades 9–11 will apply electronically through a link provided on the website above.
- Program eligibility is based on the student's address and middle school for current Grade 8 students; and for current Grades 9–11 students, it is based on the home address only.

Important Dates

October 7, 2022–Application for Regional/Countywide. High School Application Programs (ParentVUE and Google) Opens

November 4, 2022–Application Deadline

MCPS Regional/Countywide List of Programs by Home/Base High School

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UNdicCl1xkElsRvmCF6Cqh97D_I7hoplCqUszgXZWom/edit?usp=sharing

Parent/guardian/student flier

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1B_0vd_G2JgjHOdCUJNfdtwkw6EORqwMCzYNaxiEu4g/edit?usp=sharing

Reminder: Rocky Hill Middle School is an "Away All Day" personal mobile device school. Students may use their PMDs before school, during lunch and after school. We have also allowed students to use them during Wildcat Wellness Day and plan to continue this during the next scheduled day. Students who use their PMDs during times that are not allowed are subject to having them taken and a phone call made home. Overall, our students have been doing a great job with this responsibility. As you know, Personal Mobile Devices can be a big distraction from teaching and learning. We need your partnership and support in reminding your child at home.

PTA:

- **We need your support! Please consider donating your time, talent, resources to our amazing PTSA! Thank you to everyone who has signed up already! We all do what we can, and the simple step of joining today provides important funding for the incredible support we provide to our children and Rocky Hill MS.**

- **The PTSA needs your feedback. It just takes a few minutes...**

<https://forms.gle/qy5ohG2oBP8AkvNXA>

- **Check out our*NEW* PTSA Website**

<https://sites.google.com/view/rhmspta/home>

- **Become a supporting member simply by joining online!**

<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/rhmsptsa-membership?cart=044f0b0b-db20-466e-82a1-4efe9aa7df4e%21%2138096061&displayMode=GRID>

We are looking forward to an **EPICC** year at Rocky Hill! Thank you for your support! We are Rocky Hill Middle School-Growing Stronger Together!

With Wildcat PRIDE!

Darryl V. Johnson

Principal

Attachments:

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