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ROCKY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Learning, Loving, Living for our Lord



Mission Statement

Rocky Christian School is an interdenominational community of Christian believers dedicated to developing and pursuing excellence in Christ-Centred education.

Visit our website at rockychristian.wrsd.ca. There you will be able to find:

- Latest news from the school and calendars of coming events
- Newsletters (past and present)
- All of the current forms needed for school use
- Hot lunch and Moo Club forms
- School Council information

Like!! us on Facebook for all current information

Vision Statement

Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the home, church and school will work together to equip students to live lives that honour and serve God and contribute to society in a positive way.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Please be sure that you stop by the office to sign in and pick up a "Visitor" tag before you go to any other part of the school. We are responsible to show proof that we can account for everyone in the building.

Please try to remember to phone the office when you know your child is going to be absent or late. This saves me from having to phone you to check up on them.

You can also email me at marie.aasman@wrsd.ca

Please be sure that you obey the **No Parking** signs on the front of the building.

THANK YOU.



WELCOME

Nevaeh Best	Lindsey Blaak	Elijah Boodt
Ivy Brettelle	Colbie Carter	Jamie Douma
Hazel Hondebrink	Corbyn Lagrelle	Arianna Manz
David Miller	Reid op den Dries	Kaelyn Patenaude
Ravenna Patenaude	Landon Prins	Anastasia Biltz
Tatyanna Biltz	Michael Biltz	Helene Biltz
Cecilia Biltz	Gavin Hart	Ethan Hart
Victoria Irodenko	Sophia Irodenko	Hope Phillips-Nystrom
Lexi Thomas		

We want to extend a warm welcome to our new RCS students and families and we pray that they have a wonderful school year!

FROM THE BOARD

1. Remember to purchase your Society membership to support the Society and get involved in meetings and voting!
2. RCS Fall General Meeting **Wednesday, November 20** at 7:30 in Room 215. Please come and hear about how we are aiming to serve our students and staff and grow as a Christian community.
3. Happy 50 Years Rocky Christian School!!

This year we are celebrating our 50th anniversary as a school. To commemorate this milestone, we will be holding a few different events. Thank you all for coming to our movie night! It was a wonderful turn out and fun was had by all - despite the rain. Our next event is the Talent Night on November 1st. We are also holding a 50th Anniversary Logo Competition for the students; the winning logo will be printed on T-Shirts for the entire student body as well as used for promotional purposes.

VOLUNTEER BOND NOTES

RCS families, grade 1 - 9 are required to do 20 volunteer hours to get your \$200 bond cheque back in June. You are responsible for writing down your own hours in the Volunteer Binder in the school office. Anyone in your family can fulfill your volunteer hours, from grandparents to children grade 8 and up. The following are examples of activities that qualify as volunteer hours:

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| *Yard maintenance | *Building maintenance | *Bottle recycling |
| *Serving on the School Board | *Serving on a Committee | *Coaching sports |
| *Score keeping for sports | *Skating (tying skates) | *Swimming (Grades K/1) |
| *Catering Club events | *Hot lunch | *Pancake breakfast |
| *Year end BBQ | *Preparing the Walk for the Cure lunch | |

*Driving for field trips or sports events (only if you are driving more than your own children and there is no bus going.)

SCHOOL COUNCIL/BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS



- Alberta School Council Association has put forth a question to all School Council's: "What does choice in Education mean to us?" This question was presented and further discussion on it will be had in next month's School Council meeting.
- Prairie Centre for Christian Education is putting on a "Faith, Fundraising and Community" seminar in October. We are wanting to send a couple people from our Fundraising committee to this event.
- Our heating system in the gym needs to be replaced. Maintenance committee has come up with a solution approved by the board. Repairs are in the works.

This is just a taste of our School Council / Board meeting. If you have a concern, or would like to be part of the discussion, please plan to attend our next meeting on **Tuesday, October 15th @ 7:30 in Room 215**. We would love to see some new faces!



Rocky Christian School is celebrating 50 years of God's faithfulness!



We are excited to announce that we are hosting a Dessert Night and Silent Auction showcasing our talented students!!

The event will be held on **November 1st** in the school gym. Doors open at 6:45 and dessert will be served at 7 pm. We'll have auction items to bid on, live music by Six Track, and a wonderful talent show! Invite your friends & family! Admission will be by donation.

Students can get their Talent Show sign up sheet from their teacher with the deadline to sign up being October 23rd.

We will also be voting on the top 3 designs for the 50th Anniversary Logo Competition! The winning logo will be featured on T-shirts that will be given out to all students!

If you would like to donate something to the Silent or Live Auction, please contact Lydia Blaak at 403-845-6752.

In order to ensure that we have enough desserts, please let Mrs. Aasman know how many people are coming from your family.

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

We had a really good turn out for our registration evening at the end of August; thank you to all who came to get their registration paperwork taken care of prior to the start of school! If you were away or otherwise unable to attend that evening, please be sure to stop by the office to fill out any necessary registration papers and update your contact information.

School Fees Update

• **Sport fees** for this year are:

- Volleyball ~ \$20.00 Cross Country ~ \$6.00
- Basketball ~ \$20.00 Badminton ~ \$15.00
- Hockey ~ At this point we do not have enough players to make a team

Additionally, RCS students who take care of scorekeeping, timing, and officiating at our games will no longer be paid for those activities. However, their hours will count against the volunteer hour requirement for your family. We do want our students to learn the joy of volunteering for a good cause!

Field Trip fees are difficult to pre-determine as admission fees, activity fees, bussing, etc. are subject to change each year. You will receive notes well in advance from your child's teacher regarding any field trip plans and fees that are associated. If at any time these fees are difficult to pay, please speak to the office to make arrangements.

All school related fees can now be paid online using a program called School Cash Online. You can link to School Cash on our website or go to wildrose.schoolcashionline.com to register. Using school cash you can pay for fees for all of your children registered in Wild Rose Schools in one easy transaction.

Volunteer Requirements

Just a quick recap of what is required to volunteer in our school:

- ▶ Criminal Record Check
 - ▶ please note that a criminal record does not automatically disqualify someone from volunteering at the school. In the case of a volunteer showing a criminal record, in consultation with senior leadership and based on the individual case, permission may be granted to allow volunteerism, with specific duties. eg: a drunk driving conviction would not disqualify someone from volunteering as a chaperone on a field trip but would not be appropriate as a volunteer driver.
- ▶ Intervention Record Check
 - ▶ this form can be picked up at the Child and Family Services office in the Provincial Building.

The following is required to be a volunteer **driver** for any situation where parents might be driving students other than their own children. This is primarily for extra-curricular activities:

- ▶ A current (within 12 months) Driver's abstract must be on file at the school
 - ▶ drivers with more than 6 demerits are not permitted to drive on school sponsored activities
 - ▶ The school will cover the cost of obtaining Driver's Abstracts. Bring in your receipt and we will reimburse you.
- ▶ Proof of a minimum of \$1,000,000 liability insurance coverage on file at the school.

Our first **Hot Lunch** of the year will be served on Tuesday, **October 1, 2019**, and will continue the first Tuesday of the month right up until May. You may pay per month (\$3/student/month) or you can pre-pay for the full year (\$24.00/student). The "Pay it Forward" option is to help make sure that every student in our school can take part in our Hot Lunch program; if you would like to help make hot lunch more affordable for students who may not be able to pay for it, feel free to mark that box and send in a little extra money to help cover the cost. Please be sure to send in your forms before the due date each month so that we have accurate numbers for the wonderful volunteers who prepare the meals for us and the appropriate amount of milk can be ordered.



Moo Club will soon begin!!

You may order milk for your students to help promote a healthy lunch. Milk is ordered on a monthly basis and you may choose the days you would like your student to have milk as well as the type of milk for each day. If a student is absent, parents may keep track of how many days and deduct the value of the milk for that many days from their next month's order. They may also consider it a donation to the school. Also, if you know your child(ren) will be absent in the coming month, you can calculate that in on your payment; please write on the form how many days you are paying for and the dates that they will be absent.

Hot lunch days are not included on the milk order forms; if you would like your student to have milk on hot lunch days, please order it on the hot lunch form even if your student doesn't want the meal.

BOOK CHARACTER DRESS-UP DAY

Dress up as your favourite book character on Tuesday, October 29th. Your costume must be from a book - not a comic book, movie, etc.

Be sure your costume is appropriate
- no weapons please.



Please note that there has been a change in dates for our

Christmas musical this year - it was marked on our parent calendar for Thursday, December 12, but due to a change in venue, we have moved that date to Thursday, December 19 at the Lou Soppit Community Centre.



MEET OUR KINDERGARTEN CLASS OF 2019/2020



Grade 6/7 out for a nature walk.



THANK YOU to everyone who came out to enjoy our outdoor movie night on September 19! We had a fantastic turnout and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves even while running for the gym when the sky opened up. Thank you also to Rocky Cinema for the generous donation of popcorn for the evening. This was the first of several events being planned to celebrate our school's 50th anniversary.



CTE has begun again, and our Outdoor Ed group took the opportunity to enjoy some nice weather and go fishing. We have some wonderful volunteers again this year and our students are sure to learn some great new skills!





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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Hot Lunch	2 Kindergarten Day	3	4 PD Day No School for Students	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 School Council Meeting	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Kindergarten Day	24 Alberta Teachers' Convention No School for Students	25	26
27	28	29 Book Character Dress-Up Day	30	31		