



ROLLING HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Home of the Bengal Tigers

September 2022 Parent Bulletin

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

I love September, and not just because it's my birthday month! ;-) This is the month when things start to settle down and we fall into the routine of it all. Hopefully your child (and you!) has been able to navigate through middle school and balance it all with outside activities. If you're still having difficulties, please do remember to communicate with your child's teachers or with our counselors or administrators. We're here to help you navigate what we know is a difficult time in our parenting continuum!

I want to thank those families for supporting our student body fundraising drive. When things were "normal," our student council fundraiser would bring in about \$30,000. We know times are challenging, but we're hopeful that your support will come in to help us provide the level of program our students have come to expect. In case you missed the information, [Boon Supply](#) is a great eco-friendly company with lots of great options. The money raised through this fundraiser is for students and funds guest speakers, merit rewards, sports uniforms, after school clubs, and field trip scholarships, to name a few. Speakers and assemblies alone usually cost from \$4000-\$6000 for a school our size, so the money goes quickly! If you want to make a direct donation and not buy anything, we'd happily take that as well. Each \$25 check to RHMS would count as one item for incentives for students. We thank you in advance for your support.

In addition to all the fun we get to have on our campus, we also have time to learn, and it shows in our test results. I am especially proud of the success that our students and teachers are continuing to experience, despite the problems they've encountered the past two years. I am thankful to this community for the continued support at allowing us to put kids first.

I sent an email reminder, but I want to reiterate that school laptops do NOT have filters outside of the campus. That means that if they're at home, they can search whatever your internet search would allow. Please be sure to keep an eye on their activity and if there are ever any concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us.

At this point in time, we've reviewed our policies with students regarding discipline and safety through assemblies during PE. Dress code has definitely improved, as has cell phone use. Thank you for reiterating these policies with your kids.

Finally, the month of September closes with our **Parent Student Conferences starting Monday, September 26 and ending Friday, September 30**. Students have class as usual from 7:50-noon, then conferences begin at 12:45. You will be contacted if the teachers would like a conference with you for

your child. If you are not contacted and would like to schedule a conference, please contact one of your child's teachers. Students who do not ride the bus nor eat lunch are dismissed at 11:27. If they need the bus or lunch, then dismissal is at noon.

Here's to a great September and an even better school year!

Debbie

NOTICES AND EVENTS

ABSENCES:

1. What is considered an Excused Absence?

By law [EC § 48205], excused absences are: illness (fever 100° or more), persistent runny nose (not allergy related), vomiting, diarrhea, medical/dental appointments (doctor's note required for verification), death in the family, specific religious reasons, required appearance in court, and exclusion from school for contagious disease.

2. What can I do if my child needs to be out of school for a length of time?

If your child must go out of town for three (3) or more days, you may request that your child is signed up for an Independent Study Agreement. Please note that teachers need at least one week's notice in order to prepare materials without interrupting their instructional time.

3. I called in to verify my child's absence; why am I still getting truancy letters?

Unless the absence was for an excused reason (those stated in point #1), the absence is considered unexcused and truancy letters will be sent in accordance with Education Code of the State of California [EC § 48260-48273]. Ed Code states that any pupil who is absent from school for 3 days or more without a valid excuse (reasons specified in point #1), or tardy in excess of 30 minutes or more, is considered truant.

DINE-OUT EVENT: Join us at Viscuso's Pizza and Draft House in El Dorado Hills on Wednesday, 9/21/22 from 3-9PM and they will donate 20% back to Rolling Hills! Make sure you bring the attached flyer or mention that you're supporting Rolling Hills when ordering.

FRIENDS OF ROLLING HILLS MEETING for September will be held in the Staff Room at Rolling Hills on Thursday, 9/8/22 at 12:45 pm. All parents are welcome to attend! If you can't make it in person, here is the link: <https://buckeyeusd.zoom.us/j/8163448843?pwd=UWpDditaSi8oYkVRYTdVTIVoMjdNUTog>
Meeting ID: 816 344 8843 Passcode: bengals

CJSF NEWS: Applications are available in Google Classroom. Trimester 3 applications for 7th/8th graders is due September 12th.

Campus Clean-Ups are 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month from 1:15-2:15.

Students can also sign-up for Recycling Crew through Google Classroom.

Contact Mrs. Burstiner at aburstiner@buckeyeusd.org or Mrs. Leszinske at lleszinske@buckeyeusd.org if you have any questions.

HANDS4HOPE: Informational meeting will be held on September 7th in room G3 from 1:15 PM to 2:15 PM. Come join us for pizza and information about this fun community service group.

RHMS LIBRARY: Our library is open daily from 7:15am-3pm (Wed. close at 2:15pm). Students are invited to come to the library to read, study, craft, play games, do puzzles, relax, and, most of all, find great books! If students are unable to visit the library during the school day, they may request books via the [Book Request Form](#).

Need textbooks? Textbooks for home use are available for checkout in the RHMS Library - stop by anytime to request a set. **Chromebook problems?** Bring your student chromebook to the library for help.

Battle of the Books (BOB) signups are September 12-23. BOB is a fun club, sponsored by the library, in which teams of students read 10 books and then compete to answer questions about the books.

Reader/Leaders, the library volunteer organization, will also be taking signups September 12-23. Reader/Leaders is a group for students who love the library and want to learn how to shelve books, create displays, and get involved in making our library a wonderful place for all students.

Access the library website [here](#). Join the Library Google Classroom with code **swnldzj** to stay informed.. Follow the RHMS Library on Instagram [@rhmsreads](#). Happy Reading! – Mrs. Leszinske



Buckeye Union Food Service



What's Cooking?

Did you know that our hamburgers are made with 100% all beef patties and served on a whole wheat bun? When paired with selections of fruit and vegetables from our garden bar, this meal is both delicious and nutritious.

The Harvest of the month for September is pears. Look for pears to be offered as part of our garden bar selections. For more information about the Harvest of the Month [click here](#)

Show your support and join
FRIENDS of Rolling Hills at...

Viscuso's Pizza & Draft House



Dine Out Event

Wednesday, Sept. 21st

from 3-9pm

Dine In, Take Out or Delivery

2222 Francisco Drive in EDH

916.934.0262

20% of the proceeds donated to Rolling Hills Middle
School when you bring or
mention this flyer.



*No coupons or discounts will be
accepted for this event.*

**No online orders will apply to
fundraiser—please call
916-934-0262 to place your order.**



This Opportunity is Right for You If...

- ♥ You want to raise kids who understand responsibility and accountability.
- ♥ You want your kids to listen...the first time!
- ♥ You want to use consequences effectively to really help your child learn.
- ♥ You would like to align better with your spouse or co-parent.
- ♥ You would enjoy less arguing and backtalk.
- ♥ You want parenting to be less frustrating and stressful.
- ♥ You want to have more fun parenting!

This parenting program is designed to give you practical skills that can be used immediately.

Thursdays // Sept. 29th ~ Nov. 3rd // 6:15-8:15 PM

Location: Blue Oak Elementary School

2391 Merrychase Drive | Cameron Park

Registration Fee: \$25 per household

Childcare is available. The fee is \$20 per family

Childcare Space is limited, Register quickly!



I would like to register for the upcoming *Parenting the Love and Logic Way*[®] course!

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I need childcare. Number and ages of children: _____

Return registration and payment to your child's school. Checks payable to Buckeye USD.

For more information contact facilitator Carin Chumbley at pearlsofparenting@gmail.com

Join the RHMS Hands4Hope club!



Join Hands4Hope to be a part of our annual club project and make a difference!

Come to our informational meeting on September 7th @1:15 for some pizza and to learn about the club!

The club will meet at the orange picnic tables between the H and G buildings.



Scan this QR code to apply to the club.

SEPTEMBER 2022

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1	2
			7/8 th Grade Permission Slips for the Dance go home in Focus.	End of Boom Fundraiser
5	6	7	8	9
<p>NO SCHOOL Labor Day Holiday</p>	Girls Volleyball Game 4PM @ Camerado Boys Volleyball Game 4PM @ RHMS	<p>SPIRIT DAY!!! Wear Orange & Black CJSF Campus Clean Up 1:15-2:15PM in the Library</p>	Friends of RH Meeting 12:45PM Staff Room (In person & Zoom) Girls Volleyball Game 4PM @ RHMS Boys Volleyball Game 4PM @ Sutter	<p>SPIRIT DAY!!! Wear NEON 7/8th Grd Welcome Back Dance/Party 2:25-3:45PM in the MP Saturday, Sept 10th Josh Reff Invitational 8AM Folsom HS</p>
12	13	14	15	16
	Girls Volleyball Game 4PM @ RHMS Boys Volleyball Game 4PM @ Marina	<p>SPIRIT DAY!!! Wear Orange & Black Cross Country Meet 4PM @ Camerado</p>	Girls Volleyball Game 4PM @ Folsom Boys Volleyball Game 4PM @ RHMS	
19	20	21	22	23
	Girls Volleyball Game 4PM @ Mitchell Boys Volleyball Game 4PM @ RHMS	<p>Wear Orange & Black CJSF Campus Clean Up 1:15-2:15PM in the Library Dine Out Night - Viscuso's Pizza 3-9PM 3rd Tri CJSF Apps Due Cross Country Meet 4PM @ EDH CSD</p>	<p>SPIRIT DAY!!! Day of 22 - Wear a TUTU Team Tahoe Rock-N-Jump Field Trip Girls Volleyball Game 4PM @ RHMS Boys Volleyball Game 4PM @ Mills</p>	<p>Team Pacific Rock-N-Jump Field Trip</p>
26	27	28	29	30
	Girls Volleyball Photos Boys Volleyball Photos	<p>SPIRIT DAY!!! Wear Orange & Black Cross Country Meet 4PM @ Marina</p>	Girls Volleyball Game 4PM @ RHMS Boys Volleyball Game 4PM @ Camerado	

OCTOBER 2022

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
3	4	5	6	7
	Dr. Roth Social Visit With Parents 8-9AM Girls Volleyball Game 4PM @ Marina Boys Volleyball Game 4PM @ RHMS	SPIRIT DAY!!! Wear Orange & Black CJSF Campus Clean Up 1:15-2:15PM in the Library Cross Country Meet 4PM @ Folsom MS	Girls Volleyball Game 4PM @ RHMS Boys Volleyball Game 4PM @ Folsom	
10	11	12	13	14
Volleyball League Playoffs	CJSF Meeting in the Library All 3 lunches Volleyball League Tournament	SPIRIT DAY!!! Wear Orange & Black Cross Country Meet 4PM @ Folsom Rodeo Grounds (for Sutter) Volleyball League Tournament	Friends of RH Meeting 12:45PM Staff Room (In person & Zoom) Volleyball League Tournament	K. Hawkins Assembly 1 st Period – 8 th 2 nd Period – 7 th 3 rd Period
17	18	19	20	21
STAFF DEVELOPMENT NO SCHOOL	 Dine Out Night 3-9PM	SPIRIT DAY!!! Wear Orange & Black CJSF Campus Clean Up 1:15-2:15PM in the Library Cross Country Finals 4PM @ Willow Hills Reservoir Folsom		
24	25	26	27	28
		SPIRIT DAY!!! Wear Orange & Black		
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 HAPPY HALLOWEEN 1 st Trimester Rally				