



## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear RMS Parents,

Two weeks ago, I sent an email to all our parents notifying you that Parentvue would look a bit different that it has in the past. I'd like to explain a bit more about the Parentvue and grading situation at RMS. Currently, when you log in to Parentvue, there is not an averaged "Total Grade" for the courses.

**Why is the total grade missing for my child?** We recognize the importance of reporting accurate and timely information to you regarding your child's progress in school. Partially through first quarter, it became clear to us that our grading program was computing the averages incorrectly in many cases. This caused a lot of unnecessary stress and miscommunication for everyone involved. As a solution we chose to take the total grade off of Parentvue, instead parents and students can look at the specific grades for each assignment according to standard.

**When logging into Parentvue, what will I see and how do I know how my child is doing?** Next to each course, where the total grade use to be, you will now see an NA. Click on this NA and you will see a complete progress report for your child. Click on each Standard to see the assignments associated with that standard. This view is actually a much more accurate and more thorough picture of your child's progress.

**What grade will my child have at the end of the quarter?**

Total grades are the same as they have been in the past. Students are still receiving a final grade at the end of each quarter. This final grade will be a reflection of the student's body of work for the quarter.

**How long will the total content grade not be on Parent Vue?**

We hope that this is temporary. However, the total grade will not be on Parent Vue until we are certain that the information is being reported to you accurately. Our district leaders are working on this situation and we hope to get it resolved.

I sincerely hope that this answers any questions you might have surrounding the Parentvue issues. As always, feel free to contact your child's teacher with any specific questions related to a particular class. If you have any questions or comments please contact me.

Sincerely,

Jory Sorensen, RMS Principal

## IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS:

Name	Date	Time	Location
Washington D.C. trip meeting	November 1	6:00-7:00pm	RMS library
Boys basketball	November 2	3:45pm	8 <sup>th</sup> grade @Grand Mesa MS 7 <sup>th</sup> grade @RMS
Daylight savings time ends	November 5		
Boys basketball	November 6	3:45pm	8 <sup>th</sup> grade @RMS 7 <sup>th</sup> grade @Holy Family
Boys basketball	November 7	3:45pm	8 <sup>th</sup> grade/7 <sup>th</sup> grade @RMS vs. Debeque MS
Boys basketball	November 9	3:45pm	8 <sup>th</sup> grade @RMS 7 <sup>th</sup> grade @Orchard Mesa MS
NO SCHOOL-teacher in-service	November 10		
Veterans' Day	November 11		
Boys basketball	November 13	3:45pm	8 <sup>th</sup> grade @RMS 7 <sup>th</sup> grade @East MS
Boys 8 <sup>th</sup> grade/7 <sup>th</sup> grade basketball tournament	November 16-18	TBD	TBD
Select band 6/7/8	November 16-17		Grand Junction High School
Thanksgiving break	November 20-24		
Girls basketball begins	November 27	TBD	RMS gym

## FROM THE FRONT OFFICE:

### Wacky Wednesday!

Each Wednesday our parent volunteers are selling after lunch snacks. The money raised goes right back into our school.

An early pick up reminder:

In an effort to cut down on classroom interruptions we are asking you to please send a note with your student if you are planning to pick them up early. *The note should state the time you want your student at the office.* Our goal is to prevent an overhead announcement into the classroom thus causing an interruption. We realize that sometimes this is not practical, and in this case, the office would appreciate a phone call as early as possible so that we can send a note for you.

Thank you for helping us reduce classroom interruptions.

# PIE LOVE TO RUN 5K RUN/WALK



## Pie Love to Run

5K Run/Walk

Sponsored by RMS Student Senate

Saturday, November 4, 2017

**Race Location:** Connected Lakes (Monument Road next to Albertson's access)

**Time:** Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. Race begins at 10:00 a.m.

**Course Description:** A beautiful, easy run through fall foliage near Connected Lakes State Park.

**Proceeds:** The race is a school fundraiser created by the RMS Student Senate. All proceeds go to support students and classrooms at Redlands Middle School.

**What's with the pie?** At the end of the run, you will have the choice of a piece of pumpkin or fruit pie.

**Entry Cost information:** Early registration (Deadline--October 20): \$25 with T-shirt or \$15 without a t-shirt. T-shirts will be handed out on race day. **Race day registration: \$25 (no guarantee of t-shirt)**

**Virtual Runner:** Don't want to walk or run but want a t-shirt? Sign up as a virtual runner for \$18.

**Make Checks to:** Redlands Middle School **Mail to:** 2200 Broadway Grand Junction, CO 81507

**Contact:** Cari Diehl @ 254-7000 [Cari.Diehl@d51schools.org](mailto:Cari.Diehl@d51schools.org) or Pam Scott at 254-7000 [Pamela.Scott@d51schools.org](mailto:Pamela.Scott@d51schools.org)

**Website:** Race forms are also posted on the Redland Middle School website homepage at [www.rms.mesa.k12.co.us](http://www.rms.mesa.k12.co.us)

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### "Pie" Love to Run Race Form-- PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

SHIRT SIZE-short sleeve (circle one) Youth: YSM YM YL Adult: SM M L XL NONE

Virtual Runner? No need to sign below. We will see you at the race! (We will have chairs available for you.)

### Waiver (MUST BE SIGNED)

In consideration of your accepting this entry, the below signed, intending to be legally bound, for myself, my heirs, my executors and administrators, waive and release and any all rights and claims for damages I may have against the race, and sponsors and their representatives, successors and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in said event. I attest that I will participate in this event as a footrace, that I am physically fit and sufficiently trained for the completion of this event.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian if under18 \_\_\_\_\_

No refunds will be issued for any reason

# REDLANDS MIDDLE SCHOOL GEAR FOR SALE

Stop by the office to purchase Redlands gear!

**REDLANDS  
SPIRIT  
SWAGG!!**

T-SHIRTS	\$15.00
POLO SHIRTS	\$26.00
WATER BOTTLE	\$10.00
CINCH SACKS	\$6.00
LANYARD	\$5.00
DECALS	\$3.00

Sold in the office **GET SOME!!**



# REDLANDS MIDDLE SCHOOL BANDS

## 2017-2018 CONCERT PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Friday/Saturday November 17 and 18 – CBA Select Band (selected 8<sup>th</sup> Grade students only)  
Grand Junction High School

Monday, December 11 – all Bands Winter Concert – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band  
7:00PM, RMS Gym

Friday, December 22 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band (with 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra and Choir)  
All School Assembly, performance during the school day

Thursday, February 8 – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Band and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Ensemble Concert  
7:00PM, RMS Gym

Friday and Saturday, February 9 and 10 – Band Solo and Ensemble Festival  
Friday 4:00-8:00pm, Saturday 8:00am-4:00pm, Grand Mesa MS

Thursday, March 1 – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert (with 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra and Choir)  
7:00pm – RMS Gym

Thursday, March 8 – Fruita Cluster Jazz Jam – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Jazz and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Jazz  
7:00pm, Fruita Middle School Auditorium

Middle School Jazz Showcase – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Jazz Band only  
7:00pm, Palisade High School

Thursday, April 12 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Jazz Band Pre-Festival Concert  
7:00PM, RMS Gym

Thursday and Friday April 19 and 20 - Colorado West Music Festival  
Times TBA (during school day) 7<sup>th</sup> Grade and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Bands, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Jazz Band

Monday, April 30 – CMU Jazz Festival  
Times TBA (during school day) – Jazz Band only

Monday, May 21 – Spring Pops Band Concert  
7:00PM, RMS Gym – all band students



# REDLANDS MIDDLE SCHOOL CHOIR ORCHESTRA

## 2017-2018 CONCERT PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

### 6th Grade Choir

Date	Event	Time	Place
Wednesday, February 21, 2018	6th Grade Band, Choir, and Orchestra Concert	7:00	RMS Gym
<i>Friday and Saturday, February 23rd and 24th, 2018</i>	<i>Solo/ Ensemble</i>	<i>Scheduled Individually TBA</i>	<i>Grand Mesa Middle School</i>
Wednesday, May 16, 2018	End of the Year Concert	7:00	RMS Gym

### 7th and 8th Grade Choir

Date	Event	Time	Place
Wednesday, December 13, 2017	Holiday Concert	Warmup/Arrive at 7:00 Concert at 7:30	RMS Gym
<i>Friday and Saturday, February 23rd and 24th, 2018</i>	<i>Solo/ Ensemble</i>	<i>Scheduled Individually TBA</i>	<i>Grand Mesa Middle School</i>
Monday, April 16, 2018	Pre-Festival Concert	7:00	RMS Gym
April 18, 19, and 20, 2018 TBA	Colorado West Festival	TBA	Colorado Mesa University
Wednesday, May 16, 2018	End of the Year Concert	7:00	RMS Gym





# REDLANDS MIDDLE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

## 2017-2018 CONCERT PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

### 6th Grade Orchestra

Date	Event	Time	Place
Wednesday, December 13, 2017	Holiday Concert	Arrive/Warmup at 6:00 Concert begins 6:30	RMS Gym
Wednesday, February 21, 2018	6th Grade Band, Choir, and Orchestra Concert	7:00	RMS Gym
<i>Friday and Saturday, February 23rd and 24th, 2018</i>	<i>Solo/ Ensemble</i>	<i>Scheduled Individually TBA</i>	<i>Grand Mesa Middle School</i>
Thursday, April 26, 2018	6th Grade String Clinic	?	Grand Junction High School?
Wednesday, May 16, 2018	End of the Year Concert	7:00	RMS Gym

### 7th and 8th Grade Orchestra

Date	Event	Time	Place
	<i>Honor Orchestra</i>		
Wednesday, December 13, 2017	Holiday Concert	Arrive/Warmup at 6:00 Concert begins 6:30	RMS Gym
Tuesday, January 30, 2018	Combined Fruita and Redlands Concert	7:00	Fruita Middle School Auditorium
<i>Friday and Saturday, February 23rd and 24th, 2018</i>	<i>Solo/ Ensemble</i>	<i>Scheduled Individually TBA</i>	<i>Grand Mesa Middle School</i>
Monday, April 16, 2018	Pre-Festival Concert	7:00	RMS Gym
April 18, 19, and 20, 2018 TBA	Colorado West Festival	TBA	Palisade High School
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## COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Redlands Middle School is doing a Retro-Respect Month in November. The idea is to promote respectful activities and bring back ideas that encourage old fashioned fun. We will be doing several activities and challenges throughout the month of November. Our goal is that these events will encourage habit change and positive growth in our students.

- Mix it Up lunch will occur on November 1, 8, 15, 29- Students will have structured activities during lunches that give students opportunity to get to know someone better or develop new acquaintances and friendships.
- November 1- Dodge the Hunger- Dodge ball tournament at RMS. All proceeds go to the Kids Aid Backpack program.
- November 4- Pie Love to Run- Again, encourage your kids to participate, show up and cheer others, donate etc. Hey, you should come too!!!!
- November 6-9 Introduction of a service challenge that will be for each advisory for the remainder of the year. Our new Social Worker, Sara Hammond will be working with a group of our students to kick this off. More details to follow
- November 13-17- No Social Media Week Challenge- The flight crew will present a lesson on Monday, November 13 about a media challenge. That week we will be asking kids to be offline. The idea came from today's story on NPR. Here is a website to check out:  
<https://www.offlineoctober.com/>
- November 15-17 will include some spirit days to go along with the Retro-Respect Month
- November 27-December 1- Door decorating with the Retro-Respect theme during advisory classes
- November 30- 8<sup>th</sup> grade people who changed history

## 2018 BARCELONA AND PARIS SPRING BREAK TRIP

***Attention 8<sup>th</sup> Grade parents:***



We are now accepting enrollment for next year's eighth grade Europe trip to Barcelona and Paris. During Spring Break 2018, we will depart on March 9<sup>th</sup> and return March 17<sup>th</sup>. Below is a link to our travel site, EF Tours, where you will find our itinerary and enrollment access. Feel free to contact our trip sponsor, Joy Mandeville, for more information.

Email: [joy.mandeville@d51schools.org](mailto:joy.mandeville@d51schools.org) Website:  
<http://www.eftours.com/tour-website/1930295JS>



# 2018 WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP INFORMATION

Is your **8<sup>th</sup> grade student** interested in going to

**Washington DC and Williamsburg VA** June 5-9<sup>th</sup>, 2018?

Register today! (You or your child did not need to attend parent meeting to register)

Three ways to register your child:

1. Online - go to [www.worldstrides.org/register](http://www.worldstrides.org/register). Trip ID: 143826
2. By phone - contact World Strides' Customer Service Team at 1-800-468-5899.
3. By mail - send in the Registration Form found in the envelope in your Registration Packet.

If you have financial concerns, World Strides has information on a number of need and merit-based scholarships on their website.

Families with an annual adjusted gross income up to \$85,000 are invited to complete a confidential, easy application and may qualify to receive FLAG financial assistance.

Call WorldStrides Customer Service at 1-800-468-5899 to apply for FLAG today! Funds are limited!

I strongly encourage you to register your child for this *amazing educational experience*. If you have any more questions, please feel free to respond to the email listed below. Your child will love the experience in Washington, D.C. and Williamsburg, VA!

Sincerely,

Gwen Eller

[Gwen.Eller@d51schools.org](mailto:Gwen.Eller@d51schools.org)



## RMS STUDENTS IN THE COMMUNITY



Some RMS students embarked on a fieldtrip to Cross Orchards Historic Site and

Studt's Pumpkin Patch was a big success. We climbed inside old trains and saw an exhibition of model train stations from Grand Junction to Eaglewood, CO. We helped to make apple

cider from apples growing in the orchards and we tasted it, it was delicious! We learned about how people lived and farmed in the past. We picked our pumpkins and got lots of good exercise at the Pumpkin Patch.



Evee White, Keeley Clark and Lilly Price to Denver Tuesday & Wednesday for an environmental leadership program. We explored the Denver metals recycling plant on Tuesday and were honored at a Governor's banquet on Wednesday. These girls were outstanding learners and leaders for D51. If you get the chance please ask them about their experience and thank them for representing RMS.



## STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### Mrs. Lloyd



Where did you graduate high school?  
 Where did you graduate college? What is your degree in?  
**Colorado Springs-Palmer High; CSU-master's degree in physiology.**  
 How many years have you been teaching?  
 How many years at Redlands?  
**8; 1st year at RMS.**

Family/interests/hobbies:  
**rock climbing, pickleball, running, animal snuggly (cats and dogs), netflixing**

Favorites:  
**Poppy seed cake; climbing; summer**

What do you like most about teaching at Redlands?  
**The kids-so awesome-they make me smile every day!**  
 What is your favorite memory from your K-12 school experience?  
**Being inspired by my writing teacher.**  
 If you could eat lunch with anyone in the world, who would you choose and why?  
**Elizabeth Warren-she's super smart and a great leader.**

### Mr. Reiners



Where did you graduate high school? Where did you graduate college? What is your degree in?  
**I graduated from Fruita Monument High School, Western State College and I have my degree in History with secondary education.**  
 How many years have you been teaching? How many years at Redlands?

**This is my fourth year of teaching and my first year at Redlands Middle School.**

Family/interests/hobbies:  
**I have been married to my beautiful wife Angelina for eight years and I have three children: Gracie, Noah and Hope. I love playing tag and tackle with my kids in the backyard. I also enjoy running and or lifting weights.**

Favorites:  
**My favorite food is steak and potatoes. Sport: basketball. Holiday: Christmas and Easter.**

**What do you like most about teaching at Redlands?**  
**The thing I like most about working at RMS is getting to work with such a great population of students that are respectful, hardworking and caring and committed to excellence.**  
 What is your favorite memory from your K-12 school experience?  
**My favorite memory from my K-12 school experience is playing high school basketball at Fruita Monument, playing the sport I love and getting develop lifelong friendships with teammates and coaches.**

If you could eat lunch with anyone in the world, who would you choose and why?  
**I would love to eat lunch with Tim Tebow. I would choose Tim because of his strong faith, character and work ethic. He is a huge role model for me with how bold he is about his beliefs and how he truly lives out his faith and makes everyone around him a better person.**



# RMS STUDENTS IN THE CLASSROOM

Mrs. Lloyd's students did some storytelling this last week to celebrate their narrative writing accomplishments:



# GOALS PROGRAM



Join the GOALS program to take a wilderness rafting and camping adventure on the Green River in June 2018.

**\*\*GOALS is not an officially sanctioned school trip.\*\***

GOALS expeditions are designed for students in 6th, 7th, and 8th grades.

**Summer 2018 Adventure:**

Projected expedition dates: June 8th through June 15th. Join us on an outdoor adventure that you will never forget!

**Parent and Student Information:** Contact Mr. or Mrs. Fifer at RMS, 970-254-7000.



# 2018 HAWAIIAN DISCOVERY FIELD TRIP

Aloha!

Announcing the 2018 Hawaiian Discovery Field Trip. You are invited to attend an FYI meeting on Tuesday, August 29 at 6:00 PM in the cafeteria. It is the same agenda for the meeting last spring.

The Trip is a 9 – day learning adventure which allows students the opportunity to *experience* Hawaii from a scientific perspective. The Big Island provides an ideal setting for students to *discover* firsthand the dynamic interaction of sun, sea, and volcano which created a diverse collection of tropical ecosystems.

It is an academic trip. Lessons are conducted on an on-going basis as we encounter various aspects of terrestrial ecosystem biology, geology, marine biology, and other related science topics. In addition, the cultural history of Hawaii is a natural extension of the coursework.

We camp the entire trip at county and National Park campgrounds. Students are responsible for all of the camping skills – pitching tents, cooking meals on a backpack –style stove, etc.

The trip is open to next year's 8<sup>th</sup> graders and students from other schools may apply. It costs \$2475 (additional costs may include purchasing items like snorkeling gear and some camping gear). \$300 non-refundable deposits and applications are required. Space is limited.

A hui hou!

Brad Loucks 254-7000 [bradley.Loucks@d51schools.org](mailto:bradley.Loucks@d51schools.org)



## 2018 Itinerary (Proposed)

### Tuesday, May 29

Flight to Keahoolie (Kona)

Drive to Hookena Beach Park -Set up camp

### Wednesday, May 30

South Point/Green Sand Beach Hike

Move to Punaluu Beach Park

Swim @ Punaluu black sand beach

### Thursday, May 31

Move to Namakani Paio Campground

Keahou Bird Conservation Center

Volcano National Park

Kilauea Iki/Thurston Lava Tube Hike

Lava viewing hike

### Friday, June 1

Kaumana Caves

Akaka Falls State Park

Arrive Laupahoehoe County Park

### Saturday, June 2

Kohala Peninsula Tour

Makaiwa Bay snorkel/swim/sun/fun

### Sunday, June 3

Snorkel at Kahaluu

Afternoon at Hapuna Beach - Swim/surf/sun/fun

Sunset Barbeque at Spencer Beach Park

### Monday, June 4

Natural Energy Lab Tide Pools

Captain Zodiac - Snorkel Kealakakua Bay

Kailua-Kona - Shopping/Dinner

### Tuesday, June 5

Tour Puuhonua Ohonaunau National Park

Snorkel Honaunau Bay

Coffee farm tour

Luau

### Wednesday, June 6

Pack up / Complete journals

Hapuna Beach

Flight to Mainland

### Thursday, June 7

Return Home



# OCTOBER 2017 STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

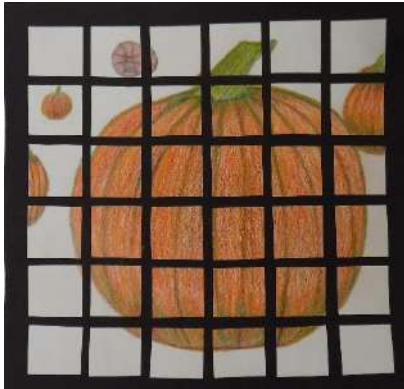
Haley	Piper	Thinking and communicating with clarity	Core 6-1
Shick	Austin	Thinking about your thinking	Core 6-1
Steele	Jackson	Finding Humor	Core 6-1
Wagner	Averi	Listening with understanding and empathy	Core 6-1
Allen	Macie	Remaining open to continuous learning	Core 6-2
Balzer	Grant	Striving for accuracy	Core 6-2
Johnson	Jacob	Finding Humor	Core 6-2
Jones	Alayna	Thinking and communicating with clarity	Core 6-2
Atkins	Jacob	Thinking about your thinking	Core 7-1
Clark	Reina	Striving for accuracy	Core 7-1
Harrell	Olivia	Thinking interdependently	Core 7-2
Hart	Gavin	Thinking flexibility	Core 7-2
Peck	Elijah	Questioning and problem posing	Core 7-2
Stoffel	Olivia	Remaining open to continuous learning	Core 7-2
Witham	Finn	Striving for accuracy	Core 7-2
Cox	Hailey	Listening with understanding and empathy	Core 8-1
Nehm	Marisa	Thinking interdependently	Core 8-1
Mercer	Reese	Thinking interdependently	Core 8-2
Moyer	Blake	Applying past knowledge to new situations	Core 8-2
Adams	Rayia	Creating, imagining and innovating	Art
Anest	Callie	Striving for accuracy	Band
Montoya	Ami	Gather data through all senses	Band
Allen	Bonnie	Taking responsible risks	Choir/Orchestra
Knestis	Alicia	Thinking interdependently	Choir/Orchestra
Pollard	Cooper	Thinking interdependently	Computers
Clementson	Rylan	Thinking interdependently	P.E.
English	Nina	Striving for accuracy	P.E.
Mack	Peyton	Remaining open to continuous learning	P.E.
Steinke	Paul	Managing impulsivity	P.E.
Morse	Cheyenne	Remaining open to continuous learning	Tech Ed

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# RMS ARTISTS

## 8<sup>th</sup> Picture Line Manipulations



Lylah Morris



Kylie Williams



Lindsey Cole

## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Lines in Motion



Matthew Adams



Anatoly Chin



Cooper Sigmund

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Perspective Drawing



Luke Frazho



Brianna Perez



Carson Jolley



Emily Branham



**THANK YOU** to our Student of the Month

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