



## **\*\*RCCA RAM-O-GRAM\*\***

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### 2016/2017 RCCA School Verse:

**Joshua 1:8 (NIV) "Keep this Book of the Law always on your lips; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful."**

### 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER PROGRESS REPORTS!

We have reached the mid-point of our 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. Elementary Progress Reports will be sent home with students (grades 2-6) in their Friday folders. Progress Reports for students in grades 7-12 will be mailed early next week. You will notice (if you were here last year) that our Progress Reports and Report cards will look a little different this year. We are now working with a new school computer program, and we have been busy learning how it works over the past month. The reports should be very easy to understand, and parents will soon have access to an online "Parent's Web" to be able to track their student's progress in school from home at any time. More information with instructions on how to access that will be coming soon.

### HOLIDAY BAZAAR & CRAFT FAIR!

RCCA is hosting a Holiday Bazaar here in our gymnasium on **Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, from 10am-3pm**. This event will feature Thanksgiving and Christmas items, gifts, decorations, and many other unique items. Baked goods and refreshments will also be available for purchase. **We are still looking for vendors to set up at this event. If you know of anyone who enjoys making and selling crafts or is a home party specialist, we have tables available to rent for \$25 each.** There are limited electric tables available for an additional \$5.00 per table. Vendor Registration Forms are available in the school office or on our website at [www.rccarams.org](http://www.rccarams.org).

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

### ELEMENTARY CHRISTMAS CONCERT

WILL BE HELD ON THURSDAY,

DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>, AT 6:30pm

**Please check your child's Friday folder for more information on the concert.**

### PLEASE REMEMBER!!

**Soccer team and individual pictures will be taken THIS Friday:  
Girls @ 1:45 & Boys @ 2:00.**

### PSAT TEST

The **PSAT test** will be administered here at RCCA **NEXT Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup> - beginning PROMPTLY AT 8:00am**. This test is geared primarily for 11<sup>th</sup> grade students; however 10<sup>th</sup> graders may take it as well. This test is optional but highly recommended as it will help prepare students for the SAT test which is taken during their senior year. The SAT is the test most colleges look at during the application process. (For more information on the SAT Test, go online at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) to register for an upcoming test date at one of our local high schools). **Information on the PSAT test was mailed home to parents of 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grade students. The deadline to register has passed, but we still have a couple spots left if you wish to sign your student up. Please stop in the school office ASAP if you wish to register. Cost is \$25 (checks can be made out to "RCCA").**

### PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES

Information to sign up for this year's parent/teacher conferences to be held on **Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, from 2:45-7:00pm**, will be sent home in elementary Friday folders and mailed with the 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade Progress Reports. We highly encourage parents of students in grades K-12 to sign up to meet with teachers to get a glimpse of how your students are doing, and if there are any areas where they need extra help. Please return these forms as soon as possible to get the time slot you wish. Time slots will be filled on a first come, first served basis. Time slots to meet with teachers are only 15 minutes each, so it will not take up too much of your time, yet it will be an informative and valuable 15 minutes. **You will receive a notice confirming the appointment times that have been scheduled for you by the first week of November. Elementary will be sent home in Friday folders, and appointments for older students will be mailed. Please note: If you did not sign up for an appointment, but a teacher requests an appointment with you, you will receive notification with a time that has been arranged for you.**



### NEW YORK CITY TRIP FOR 9<sup>TH</sup>-12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE STUDENTS!!

We are planning another NYC Trip for our 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students this year. It is scheduled for **Thursday, NOVEMBER 10<sup>th</sup>**. We will be chartering a bus and taking

the students to see Ellis Island, Statue of Liberty, the 911 Museum and Ground Zero. Information with permission slips containing all the details of the trip will be sent home soon. **At this point, the cost of the trip is estimated at \$75 per student. We are planning some fundraisers to help keep the cost at \$75 per student.** If you have financial needs which might prohibit your student from going on this trip, please let the office know.



### **SPAGHETTI DINNER FOR NYC TRIP!**

We will be holding a spaghetti dinner in our gym on **Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**, to help cover some of the cost of the trip. **Students will each receive a packet of 10 tickets. Each student is responsible to sell 10 tickets (per family). Ticket price is \$7 for adults (ages 13 & up), \$5.00 for children ages 4-12, and children 3 and under are free.** Each student going on the trip will be required to work at the dinner. **Each 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> homeroom will be assigned a dessert for each of them to bring.**

### **AFTER SCHOOL CARE INFORMATION**

After school care is now available until 6:00pm. If you'd like to take advantage of this program, please inform the school office.

### **GREATER BINGHAMTON COLLEGE DAY**

Please note that the Floyd L. Maines Veterans Memorial Arena in Binghamton will be hosting the "Greater Binghamton College Day" on **Wednesday, October 19<sup>th</sup>, from 11am-2pm and 6-8pm.** Approximately 150 universities, colleges and schools will be represented there to speak to prospective students and parents and provide information about their programs.

### **TEXT ALERT SERVICE AVAILABLE!**

If you wish to be added to our text alert notification service, please provide the office with the cell phone numbers on which you wish to receive the alert. You can either email the office, or write them down and give to the office when you come through. Once submitted, you will receive a text invitation from Mr. Wyse to join. This is the fastest and best method of getting important school information out. We will use this for any emergency information that might arise as well as school closings, early dismissals, special events or calendar changes, dress down days, etc. If you want to be "in the know", please subscribe to this service.

### **PARENT PRAYER GROUP!!**

Our parent prayer group is planning to meet here at school twice a month to pray for our students & families, our school, and any other needs that arise. The group will be meeting **at 8:05 am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month.** We encourage any parent/grandparents who are available to come. Even if you don't feel comfortable praying in a group, you are still welcome to come to meet other parents and add your support in this endeavor. **Please feel free to email or drop off prayer requests for the group to pray about. They will maintain confidentiality inside the group.**

### **RCCA WEBSITE**

Please remember to visit our school website at [www.rccarams.org](http://www.rccarams.org) for school information, application forms, health & physical forms, student handbook, school calendar, Ram-O-Grams, and lunch menus.



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### **UPCOMING EVENTS**



#### **OCTOBER:**

- 12: 1<sup>st</sup> MP Interim – Progress Reports**
- 19: PSAT Test 8-11am (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> students who register)**
- 28: Spaghetti Dinner for NYC Trip**
- 27-29: NYPENN Soccer Tournament @ BC United**

#### **NOVEMBER:**

- 3: Soccer Awards Night 6:30pm**
- 5: NYPENN All Star Games @ BC United**
- 6: Daylight Savings Time (turn clocks back 1 hr)**
- 10: NYC Trip for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students!**
- 11: No School! Veteran's Day**
- 12: Holiday Bazaar in RCCA Gym 10am-3pm**
- 15: Honor Society Induction 1:50-2:30pm**
- 16: End of 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter**
- 17: School Picture Retakes**
- 17: Parent/Teacher Conferences 2:45-7pm**
- 23-25: No School! Thanksgiving Break**

