



****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."

NO SCHOOL FRIDAY 10/7 AND MONDAY 10/10. Enjoy your Columbus Day Weekend!

**PLEASE REMEMBER!! School Pictures are scheduled for NEXT TUESDAY! If you are ordering, please return your completed order form & payment with your student to give to the photographer on Tuesday. Soccer team and individual pictures will be taken NEXT Friday:
Girls @ 1:45 & Boys @ 2:00.**

HEALTH INFORMATION



PLEASE NOTE!! Our new school nurse, Mrs. Aishia Mortenson, has been reviewing all our student's health records. Many of you have received notices of missing immunizations which are required for continued school attendance. **ALL 6th grade students are required to get an updated Tdap before starting 6th grade, and ALL 7th-12th grade students were required to have their first meningococcal vaccination before school started in September (2nd dose is required before their senior year).** Notices of these immunizations were sent home before school ended last year and reminders were in our summer newsletter. **If we do not receive record of these immunizations BY NEXT TUESDAY, October 11th, your student will not be able to return to school until we receive that documentation.**

GRANDPARENTS DAY!

Many thanks to all who helped with Grandparent's Day. It was a fun-filled day, and we had a wonderful turnout.

PSAT TEST

The **PSAT test** will be administered here at RCCA on **Wednesday, October 19th - beginning PROMPTLY AT 8:00am.** This test is geared primarily for 11th grade students; however 10th 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 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 10th & 11th grade students. The deadline to register has passed, but we still have a few 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").**

"SAVE AROUND" COUPON BOOK SALE

Our *Save Around* coupon book sale ended this week, however, we still have books available for sale in the school office. Books cost \$25.00 each. **Students who are involved on our sports teams are required to sell 5 books (per family) to cover their sports participation fee.** If you opt out of this sale, students who participate on our sports teams will need to pay the \$50 sports participation fee instead. If you chose not to participate in this sale, the sample book must be returned or you will be charged the \$25 for it.

NEW CELL PHONE POLICY



Students are required to check their cell phones in at the beginning of the school day and then pick them up at the end of the day. We will have a check in point down in the gym, inside the entrance. Students will put their phones into an assigned, numbered pouch that is hanging on the wall. After the final bell rings and the gym doors are locked at 8:00am, the cell phones will be taken to the office where they will be securely held. At the end of the day, the phones will be taken back down to the exit doors in the gym where students can then retrieve their phone. Each student will have an assigned number for where to store their phone. If any emergencies arise during the school day, and you need to contact your student, please call the school office at **607-748-3301 or 3302**, and we can get a message to your student. If your student needs to contact you during the day, they can use the office phones.

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 19th, 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.

VOLUNTEERING AT RCCA!

We would love to enlist the help of parents, grandparents, and friends of the Academy to come in and serve, whether it be in our lunchroom, help with cleaning and maintenance, serving as a classroom aide, etc. If you have a little extra time and some special abilities that could be put to good use here, please contact the office. Strong parental support is much needed for the continued success of our school! **We are in need of 2 or 3 more kitchen volunteers to help in our school kitchen to help serve lunch. The time commitment is from 10:30-12:30.**

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 2nd & 4th 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 for school information, application forms, health & physical forms, student handbook, school calendar, Ram-O-Grams, and lunch menus.



Please "Like" us on Facebook at our [RCCA Rams / Toby Wyse Facebook page](#) to keep up with the latest news and events.



UPCOMING EVENTS



OCTOBER:

- 7-10: No School: Columbus Day Weekend**
- 11: School Pictures**
- 12: 1st MP Interim – Progress Reports**
- 19: PSAT Test 8-11am (9th-12th students who register)**
- 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)**
- 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 1st Quarter**
- 17: School Picture Retakes**
- 17: Parent/Teacher Conferences 2:45-7pm**
- 23-25: No School! Thanksgiving Break**

