



****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."



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!

ELEMENTARY CHRISTMAS CONCERT
WILL BE HELD IN THE RCCA GYM
ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15TH,
AT 6:30pm

GIFT CARDS FOR HOLIDAY SHOPPING

With Christmas just around the corner, RCCA is sponsoring a gift card fundraiser once again this year. Gift cards make great gifts for Christmas, birthdays, or other special occasions. You can see the complete list of participating retailers at www.glscrip.com. Order forms are now available in the school office. RCCA makes a profit from the sale of each gift card (the percentage listed on the order form in the column next to each retailer is the portion that is given to RCCA). Payment should accompany your order. **Order deadline for Christmas delivery is Monday, December 12th.**

NOTE FROM RCCA PARENT COORDINATORS



Dear RCCA Family: It is that time of year when we reflect on the many blessings that the Lord has given us. One of those blessings is being able to have our children educated in a Christian school. Our children are in classrooms where they are taught God's Word every day. This privilege would not be possible without the dedicated teachers and staff who have chosen to minister to our children. We would like to recognize them in a special way this Christmas. Between now and **Monday, December 19th**, we are asking each family to consider contributing to a financial gift that will be divided among our teachers and staff. Gifts may be sent to the office in an envelope marked "Teacher's Gift" in the form of cash or a check made payable to RCCA with "Teacher's Gift" in the memo line. Sincerely, RCCA Parent Coordinators

BASKETBALL NEWS!



Our first games of the season are TODAY!

JV Girls play at 3:30; JV Boys at 4:30; Varsity Girls at 5:30; and Varsity Boys at 7:00. For a list of this year's games, please visit our website at www.rccarams.org. Schedules are also available in the school office. We look forward to another exciting season of basketball!

ATTENTION BASKETBALL PLAYERS & CHEERLEADERS

This Saturday's games at Syracuse have been canceled!

SCHOOL SPIRIT WEEK NEXT WEEK!

Each year during our basketball tournament week held here at RCCA, we take the week to show some extra school spirit. Each day will have a different theme, and students and staff are encouraged to dress up. These are the following themes for each day:

Monday: Animal / Cartoon character

Tuesday: Nerd / Superhero

Wednesday: Movie or Book Character / Pajama's

Thursday: Blue & White

Friday: No School! Come to games, show school spirit and support your teams! Wear your blue & white!

BASKETBALL GAME ADMISSION FEES

Adults: \$3.00; Students: \$1.00; Family Admission \$7.00 (immediate family only); Season Pass (for all home games): Individual \$25; Family \$60. Season passes can be purchase at the ticket table at any game or in the office.

BASKETBALL CONCESSIONS



Parents of basketball players and cheerleaders are needed to sign-up to work in the concession stand for **BOTH** the RCCA Tournament on December 8th-11th, **AND** the regular basketball season. Due to the lower number of players we have, we need parents to help with concessions for at least 4 games during the season **AND 2 GAMES** during the Tournament. Mrs. Millard has the sign-up list and has emailed a link for you to sign-up online. Please watch for her email and sign-up quickly to get the time slots of your choice. We would also gladly welcome any other supporters who would like to volunteer in our basketball concessions. You may contact Mrs. Shelbi Millard or call the office if you would be willing to serve in this area.

STUDENTS AND SPORTING EVENTS

Please note that student spectators, other than our team players, are required to find their own rides to games -

NOT with the parent drivers of our team players. Coaches and team parents arrange transportation for the players only. They cannot be responsible for extra student spectators. The only exception to this rule would be if a student's parent is a driver for the team and has planned in advance with the coach's knowledge.

PLAN FOR INCLEMENT WEATHER

Parents please have a plan in place for days when there is an unplanned early dismissal and discuss this plan with your students so that you will not have to call the office. If school is cancelled due to inclement weather, announcements will be posted on the school website, www.rccarams.org and will be sent out via our new texting service. They will also be announced on the following radio stations: WNBK (1290AM), MIX (103FM), WSKG (89.3FM), as well as television stations WBNG, FOX 40, WICZ and WIVT. Some of these stations also list closings on their websites – www.newschannel34.com/alert/school & www.wbng.com. Our school closings are generally consistent with the Vestal school system. Please do not call the school to find out about closings as this information is given to those stations on a timely basis. Thank you!

PARENT PRAYER GROUP!!

Our parent prayer group meets here at school twice a month to pray for our students & families, our school, and any other needs that arise. The group meets **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.**

NEW PARENTSWEB!

Please remember to take advantage of our new school management system – **RenWeb School Management** and make use of our new **ParentsWeb**. This is a private and secure parents' portal that will allow parents to see academic information specific to their children while protecting their information from others. You can also use ParentsWeb to view school events, announcements, lunch calendar, and communicate with teachers. Information and instructions were emailed home in October. If you did not receive it, please call or stop by the office and make sure we have your correct email address on file. RenWeb also allows us to communicate with parents and send reports via email. We plan to utilize this feature and will email progress reports and report cards for your student(s). If you did not receive the last progress report or report card via email, please email Mrs. Williams at [sue-](mailto:sue-williams@stny.twcbc.com)

williams@stny.twcbc.com or stop by the office to make sure we have your correct email address.

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.



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



UPCOMING EVENTS



DECEMBER:

- 5-9: School Spirit Week
- 9: **No School! RCCA Basketball Tournament**
- 8-10: RCCA Basketball Tournament
- 15: Elementary Christmas Concert in gym @ 6:30pm
- 21: 2nd MP Interim – Progress Reports
- Fri.23-Mon. 1/2: No School! Christmas Break!**
(School resumes Tuesday, January 3rd)

JANUARY:

- 3: School Resumes
- 12-14: Basketball Tournament at Central Baptist
- 16: **No School!**
- 27: End of 2nd Quarter

FEBRUARY:

- 2-4: Basketball Tournament at Hackensack, NJ
- 17-20: **No School!**
- 17-18: NYPENN Basketball Tournament at Davis College
- 23: Basketball Awards Night at RCCA 6:30pm

