

ROWE ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL ROCKET READER



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Dear Rowe Families, Friends, and Supporters,

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I hope this message reaches you in happiness and health.

It's hard to believe we are nearly a month into the 2018-2019 school year. I sincerely hope over the course of these first 20+ days, you've already seen, heard, and experienced positive changes at Rowe. For all parents, we hope your scholar, or scholars have been enthusiastically sharing with you the learning they are doing in Math. I hope our 5th grade scholars have shared with you their intrigue by the novel they're reading, *Seed*, and the progress of their plant that is growing as they read the book. I hope our 7th grade scholars shared with you all how amazing it was to see Ms. McDermott celebrate Christmas in September to get scholars excited about receiving their textbooks and embarking upon their

journey in science this year. We hope you have consistently been warmly greeted and feel welcomed and at home at Rowe.

We have certainly experienced wonderful collaboration with you all already. At our orientations over the course of the summer, we emphasized how focused we are on improving uniform throughout the school year. Due to your incredible support and commitment to ensuring your scholars are in uniform, we're off to a great start there. We had dozens of parents participate in our High School Sessions at RMS in September. Most importantly, our scholars are showing up to school every day excited to learn, excited to be with their classmates and teachers, and ready to go. Thank you!

It's important to acknowledge successes. We want to identify what's going well and why it's going well so we can repeat it. It's also important to note that we are on an active pursuit of excellence and will not rest until we're there.

What we know to be true, and what we covered at Back to School Night was that our efforts are futile if we don't have a strong, collaborative relationship with all of you – our moms, our dads, our tías and tíos, grandparents, friends, and other family members. I'd like to highlight two things we can focus on for the next two months to build, or build upon, strong relationships between school and home.

1. Share scholar successes with us. We'd love to hear that your scholar mastered another sight word list at home or told you how much they love going to the science lab at the elementary school! Additionally, share any good news you hear from us about your scholar, with your scholar. Hearing "good job" makes everyone feel better and more invested. Let's not be shy with sharing the "good jobs."
2. Share your ambitions, hopes, dreams, and expectations with your scholars every day. There is nothing more meaningful for a scholar than consistently hearing from mom and dad about how important school is and what mom and dad hope for them as a result of doing their very best in school.

Thank you again for all of your support and collaboration so far. We have a wonderful year in front of us. I'm so excited to continue this work with all of you.

See you soon,
Tony

Rowe Middle School High School Fair

The second annual high school fair will take place on **Thursday, October 4 from 4-5:30PM!** The event will take place at Rowe Middle School (1420 West Augusta)! The event is FREE and it is highly encouraged that ALL 6-8th grade families attend to learn more about high performing high school options! Any K-8 family is invited to attend.

The following schools have confirmed: *Intrinsic High School, Noble Street College Prep, Rauner College Prep, Golder College Prep, The Noble Academy, Muchin College Prep, ITW David Speer Academy, Bulls College Prep, Pritzker College Prep, Rowe Clark Math & Science Academy, Jones College Prep, Whitney Young Magnet School, Walter Payton College Prep, Lane Tech College Prep, John Hancock College Prep, Lindblom Math & Science Academy, Ogden International High School, Disney II Magnet School, Von Steuben Metropolitan Science Center, ChiArts, The Latin School, The University of Chicago Lab School, Fenwick High School, St. Rita of Cascia, St. Andrew's (boarding school in Delaware), Wayland Academy, Francis Parker High School, Hope Academy, Holy Trinity, Daniel Murphy Scholarship Fund, HFS Chicago Scholars, Westinghouse, Ogden International High School*



**Friday, October 5th
4:00pm at RES**

Tickets on sale week of 10/1
All scholars must be accompanied by an adult

Concessions will be sold



**Coffee with the
Principal**

**Join us on
Friday,
October 12th
9:00am at RES**

**Mark your
calendar!
No school on
Monday,
October 8th.**



PAC Taffy Apple Sales



Pre-Orders are due by
October 19th.
Deliveries week of the 22nd.



**Join us at RES on the playground for
Harvest Fest**

Concessions will be sold

**Mark your calendar for
Thursday, October 25th
4pm to 6pm**



**In the month of October we will do Vision Boards.
This is a perfect opportunity to bond with your scholar.
Join us for this free workshop.**

**RES
Tuesday, October 9th
5pm
Cafeteria**

**RMS
Thursday, October 11th
5pm
Lobby**

Upcoming Events

- Oct 1 thru 5th**—Smencil Sale
- Oct 1**—RES Independent Dismissal begins for 3rd—5th grade
- Oct 1**—Go CPS High School Application opens
- Oct 4**—RMS High School Fair
- Oct 5** - PAC Movie Night
- Oct 8** - No School
- Oct 9** - 7th grade High School Parent Session
- Oct 9**—Parent Academy—RES—5pm
- Oct 10** - 7th grade High School Parent Session
- Oct 11**—Parent Academy—RMS—5pm
- Oct 12** - Coffee with the Principal—RES - 9am
- Oct 15** - PAC Meeting at RES 8:30am
- Oct 17** - 6th grade scholars depart to HITW
- Oct 18** - PAC Meeting at RMS 5:00pm
- Oct 19** - 6th grade return from HITW
- Oct 19**—Affy Tapple Pre-Orders due
- Oct 25**—RES Harvest Fest—4 to 6pm
- Oct 26** - No School for Scholars
- Oct 29**—Spirit Week—College T-Shirt Day
- Oct 30** - Spirit Week—Pajama Day
- Oct 31**—Spirit Week—Make Believe Day
- Nov 1**— Spirit Week—Dress Up Day—Picture Day

Join Parent Patrol.

Together we can make a difference.
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