



Reed-Custer Primary School

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“Learning is BIG at RCPS”

Your child’s teacher(s) and room number

Monday, August 15th
First full day of school for
FIRST GRADE ONLY!
Bus service will be provided for those
first graders who qualify.

COME VISIT!!

Whether you’re new to the school district or just new to RCPS, you are invited to visit the building to locate classrooms and explore. Please be aware that teachers are not required to be here. You may bring school supplies to the classroom during these times. **PLEASE MAKE SURE THE SUPPLIES ARE IN A BAG AND THE BAG IS LABELED WITH YOUR CHILD’S NAME!!**

You may visit:
 August 9th 3:00-6:00 PM
 August 10th 8:00-10:00 AM

Kindergarten Orientation
Schedule

August 15th will be Kindergarten Orientation.

There will be NO bus service for RCPS kindergarten students on August 15th.

Kindergarten parents and students should arrive at RCPS at 9:20. Orientation will begin promptly at 9:30. Please bring all school supplies including PE shoes to orientation.

EC/PreK Orientation Schedule
August 16th will be EC/PreK Orientation

There will be NO bus service for EC/PreK students on August 16th.

A.M. Students and Parents 9:30-10:30
 P.M. Students and Parents 1:00-2:00

Principal’s Message...

It is my privilege to welcome you to Reed-Custer Primary School and the 2016-2017 school year! My name is Mrs. Faletti. For the next year, I will be the Principal of both RCPS and RCIS. Mr. Peterson will be the Assistant Principal of both schools also. This is an exciting year for everyone as we transition to the new school! **RCES is expected to be open for the 2017-2018 school year!**

Other changes at RCPS....

Mrs. Walsh (former librarian at RCPS) will be the new 4th grade teacher at RCIS. RCPS and RCIS will be sharing some new people this year. I would like to welcome Mr. Radowski as the new computer teacher for both RCPS & RCIS, as well as Mr. King the new science teacher at RCPS & RCIS. Mrs. Blanchette will be working as the librarian in both building this year also.

Contact Information for RCPS

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It is going to be a year full of BIG adventures and fun!

Mrs. Faletti

School supply lists and health requirements are available on our website rc255.net.

RCPS Schedule

School begins at 8:45 for RCPS students!

Students will be marked tardy and must be brought to the office after 8:45!

Drop off time: 8:20-8:40 *Cafeteria doors lock at 8:40.*

AM PreK/EC classes dismiss at 11:15

PM PreK/EC classes drop off time: 12:30-12:40

PM Classes begin at 12:45

RCPS dismisses at 3:20

Pick-up times: 3:20-3:40

If your child is going to be absent, please call the office by 9:30 A.M.

To ensure the safety of our children during arrival and dismissal time, please follow these safety guidelines.

1. If you plan to pick up your child, please fill out a placard request for your car. Once you receive your placard (s) please make sure it is displayed in your front window when you arrive at RCPS. This helps to keep the line moving. **If there is ANY question about pick-up, you may be asked to pull into the parking lot and come to the office to show proof of identification.**
Please understand that the safety of our students is very important!
2. **When you arrive at the front of the line, please plan to help your child get in/out of your vehicle as well as buckle/unbuckle them in their seats.** The adults present at drop-off/ dismissal times are there to supervise students waiting and to check to make sure the correct adults are picking up our students. We will wait for parents/guardians to buckle up children.
3. We may ask you to pull forward if your child is not present when you arrive. We do want to keep the line moving. Your cooperation is appreciated.
4. Please do not pass any bus stop arm that is out.
5. If you plan to pick up your child during a non-dismissal time, please park in the visitor parking lot and come to the office. You will need to sign your child out.
6. If you plan to change your child's transportation home, please call the office **no later** than 1:30.

RCPS doors are locked during school hours. Before visiting our school/classrooms, an appointment must be made with the classroom teacher or principal. All visitors must check in at the office upon arrival. Proof of identification will need to be presented in the office.

Reed-Custer schools have a Wellness Policy in place. ALL treats brought to school MUST be prepackaged. When choosing birthday or party treats, please try to choose healthy options. If you are ever in question about whether or not something is suitable, please call the teacher/office.

Lunch Room News....

Students may prepay for lunch and breakfast. Money can be deposited into their account, which then acts as a declining balance account. When making a deposit, a check/cash may be brought to school in an envelope labeled with your child's name and teacher on the front. Money may also be deposited and account balances checked through your PowerSchool account.

Breakfast is served every day in the cafeteria from 8:20-8:45. The cost is \$1.50. If you do NOT want your child to eat breakfast at school, please tell the classroom teacher.

Lunch Schedule:

- Lunch 1 - 11:00-11:30 (Jepsen, Barbeau, Jackson, Scheperle)
- Lunch 2 - 11:35-12:05 (Gonzalez, Zackavec, Meyr)
- Lunch 3 - 12:10-12:40 (Shields, DeHaan, Birkey)



Parents are welcome to eat lunch at RCPS. Please check-in at the office and plan to provide identification. If you plan to eat school lunch, please let the office know ahead of time so we can prepare enough food. Parents are asked to leave the cafeteria and sign out before students line up to return to their classrooms. We ask that you do NOT walk them back to class. Transitional times are difficult for our young students. Please just say your goodbyes in the cafeteria and return to the office to sign out.

Mark your calendars.....

August 9th RCPS/RCIS School Visit 3:00-6:00 PM
 August 10th RCPS RCIS School Visit 8:00-10:00 AM
 August 11th-Teacher Institute
 August 12th - Teacher Institute

August 15th -Full Day of School for FIRST GRADE ONLY!!

August 15th - Kindergarten Orientation

- Kindergarten students and Parents 9:30-11:00
No bus service for K students on August 15th

August 16th-Full Day of School for K -1 students

August 16th EC/PreK Orientation

- A.M. Students and Parents 9:30-10:30
- P.M. Students and Parents 1:00-2:00
No bus service for EC /PreK students on August 16th

August 18th-First Grade Curriculum Night 6:00-6:45

September 5th-No School Labor Day

September 14th -Early Dismissal 11:45 for RCPS

September 19th EC/PreK/Kindergarten -Open House 6:00-6:45

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