

A note from our principal Ms. Nelson:

October 2015

Dear Rocky River High School Families,

It has been a great start to the opening of school! This month we will complete our first quarter for the year and we have made significant progress in our priorities for the year. Below is a snapshot of our priorities:

- Increasing student academic success using data,
- Providing strong feedback to teachers to improve their performance,
- Increasing our positive and safe school culture, and
- Celebrating our staff.

Over the course of October, we are focusing on increasing our positive and safe school culture. Our staff has also been trained around using data to drive instruction. In November and December will focus around celebrating our students and staff, adjusting our strategies when our students are struggling with content, and preparing for our semester exams. We are still supporting our Rocky River High School Student Code (RRHS Code) below:

- Respect Taking yourself, others, your education and our school property seriously.
- Responsibility Taking ownership and doing what is right.
- Honor Exhibiting strong moral character, even when no one is looking.
- Service Positively contribute to our RRHS community.

Each week, any student that exhibits these characteristics is entered into a drawing and every Friday, we draw several student names and they win a prize. Our students love this activity and we have seen a great difference in the positive interactions with them. We always could use cool prizes for our students (gift cards, electronics, etc). Every little bit helps! Please bring donated prizes to the main office and speak to Ms. Crawford.

A note from our principal Ms. Nelson continued...

We are also providing interventions for students that are struggling in their studies. We are in need of tutors in Math, English and Science. If you are interested in helping us tutor, please feel free to call the main office at (980) 344-0409.

On October 19, 2015 we will host, High School Nation! This arts and music festival will feature current and upcoming artists, games, prizes and interactive booths. We are the ONLY school in the state of North Carolina hosting this event! Check out details on this awesome event at this link: http://www.highschoolnation.com/tour/.

As we continue the accomplishments we have garnered this past year, my pledge to you is that we will also continue to create a culture of excellence, leadership, and pride throughout our school community. I look forward to seeing you sometime soon.

All my best,

Brandy Nelson

Principal



Rocky River High School is honored to announce Ms. Nelson has been named East Zone Principal of the Year, placing her in the candidate pool for CMS Principal of the Year.

Don't forget to link your grocery card to RRHS!

Linking is fast and easy.



To link your Harris Teeter card online go to:

http://www.harristeeter.com/community/ together_in_education/link_to_your_school.aspx RRHS PTSA = 8527



To link your BI-LO card online go to:

http://www.hometowneducationalrewards.com/ Rocky River High School = 55789

Or you can email your name and card number to rrhptsa@gmail.com Remember to ask family and friends to sign up their cards also.



Through Publix Partners, all purchases at Publix will help earn money for our school. For every \$37,500 spent cumulatively by our school's participants, Publix will award RRHS \$250. You can pick up your Publix Partners Card during any PTSA meeting or contact us at rrhptsa@gmail.com to receive a card. These cards are linked directly to Rocky River and are not a discount/savings card.

HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS? RAVEN'S ROW IS COMING TO RRHS.

Celebrate your last (or first) year at RRHS with a BRICK!
For only \$75 you can get an 8X8 brick or for \$35 you can get a 4X8 brick.
Add a symbol for an additional \$8.

Order yours TODAY!

Details at: https://www.bricksrus.com/order/rrhs/













Rocky River Theatre

will present "Among Friends and Clutter" and "Gum".

Wednesday, November 4 at 7:00 pm
in the RRHS Auditorium.

The students will be performing these shows during the North Carolina Theatre Conference (NCTC) at Porter Ridge HS later in the week.

Cost is \$5 for Students/Seniors and \$8 for Adults.

The Rocky River High School PTSA will be holding a general meeting on Thursday November 12th from 6:30 pm—7:30 pm. In the library (2nd floor).

The goal of this year's PTSA is improved communication and participation from our parents, teachers and students! After all, that's what the Parent Teacher Student Association is all about! If we all work together, we can give our students the best and most successful experience possible!

We encourage all parents, student and staff to join. Membership forms can be found on page 9, completed forms and dues can be mailed or returned to the office to be placed in the PTSA mailbox or you may pay online via our website http://rockyriverptso.jimdo.com/join/

We are always looking for new ideas, so please consider attending a meeting. Everyone is ALWAYS welcome!!

During this meeting we will be discussing our winter 4th block social and RavenFest that will be held after the 1st of the year.

Please come out and support your PTSA!



Student's Corner

Are you interested in enrolling at CPCC for the spring semester?

You may be eligible to take a CPCC class through the College Promise Program tuition free. You must be a junior or senior with a 3.0 weighted GPA. For all the details, see Mrs. Friar in the Career Center. Applications should be picked up ASAP as the deadline is **Oct. 9**th. For more information about College Promise visit:

www.cpcc.edu/hsprograms

Would you like to have an 8 week PAID summer internship?

Do you need great job readiness training where you can receive certification and add it to your resume? Then sign up for the Mayor's Youth Employment Program! This program is for 16-18 year olds with a 3.0 weighted GPA.

Please see Mrs. Friar in the Career Center for the application.

For more information visit:

http://charmeck.org/city/charlotte/mayor/myep/Pages/default.aspx



The RRHS PTSA pleased to offer a \$500.00 scholarships to a senior who will be attending an accredited college, university, community college, trade or technical school in the fall. To receive consideration for this scholarship the student must be a current year member of the PTSA before March 31, 2016. Membership forms can be found on page 9, completed forms and dues can be mailed or returned to the office to be placed in the PTSA mailbox or you may pay online via our

website http://rockyriverptso.jimdo.com/join/

BREAKING NEWS

The High School Nation Tour is coming to Rocky River High School on October 19th.

Rocky River has been chosen as a host site for the travelling music and arts festival, High School Nation, that is currently touring the Southeast. In fact, we are the ONLY North Carolina site! This is a major, sponsored event with established and up-and-coming talent, as well as numerous interactive activities.

You can find information about the program and the tour at highschoolnation.org.



News from the Guidance Department

http://rrhsstudentservices.cmswiki.wikispaces.net/

Students are alphabetically assigned to a counselor based upon the first letter of their last name.

A - De 9th-12th Ms. Cruz miriamy.cruz@cms.k12.nc.us

Di - I 9th-12th Ms. Cleveland carrief.cleveland@cms.k12.nc.us

J - O 9h-12th (Open Position) Contact Ms. Forges errine.forges@cms.k12.nc.us

P - Ri 9h-12th Ms. Forges errine.forges@cms.k12.nc.us

Ro - Z 9th -12th Ms. Roche briennem.roche@cms.k12.nc.us

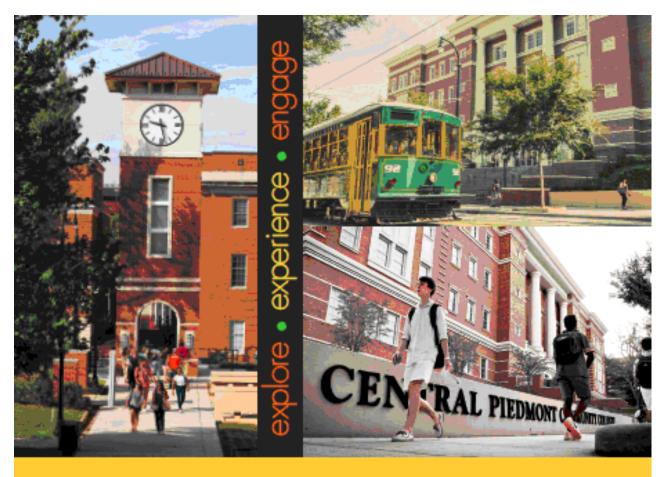
SAT Registration and Test Dates

ACT Registration and Test Dates

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	Registration Deadline	<u>Test Date</u>	Registration Deadline	<u>Test Date</u>
	October 9, 2015	November 7, 2015	November 6, 2015	December 12, 2015
	November 5, 2015	December 5, 2015	January 8, 2016	February 6, 2016
	December 28, 2015	January 23, 2016	March 4, 2016	April 9, 2016
	February 5, 2016	March 5, 2016	May 6, 2016	June 11, 2016
	April 8, 2016	May 7, 2016	ii	
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CPCC Open House

CENTRAL CAMPUS . Saturday, October 17 . 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Experience what makes CPCC one of the top community colleges in the nation and why you should consider us as your first choice. Engage with faculty and staff at more than 50 information tables representing academic programs, student services and student life. Explore our campus on a guided tour with our Student Ambassadors.

Welcome Remarks

10 a.m.
Dale F. Halton Theater
(Overcash Center)
1141 Elizabeth Ave.

Info Tables & Festivities

10:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Worrell Building 1228 Elizabeth Ave. Rotating Breakout Sessions 10:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

Breakout Session Topics

- Get started: Let us guide you through the enrollment process.
- · Paying for college: Learn more about FAFSA, scholarship and financial aid information
- Career and College Promise: Discover how to earn college credit for free with dual enrollment for high school juniors and seniors
- · Student Life panel: Find out about how to make the most of your college experience

Free parking is available in the faculty/staff deck on 4th Street (access Worrell Building from deck).

For more information: www.cpcc.edu/go/openhouse or outreach@cpcc.edu • 704.330.6637









Rocky River High School PTSA Membership Form

Here are some of the benefits you may receive for joining the PTSA for the 2015-2016 school year.

For Parents:

Raffle entries for exciting prizes throughout the year Option to buy lunch for a teacher during teacher appreciation week in May

For Students:

Raffle entries for exciting prizes throughout the year 4th block socials

Seniors can apply for a \$500 scholarship

For RRHS Staff:

Raffle entries for exciting prizes throughout the year 4th block socials

Dues for the 2015-2016 school year are only \$8 per adult (parent, teacher, staff) and \$5 per student

Member Name(s):		Circle One: Parent / Student / RRHS Staff	
Member 1:			
Phone:	Email:		
Students Grade Level and Home	eroom Teacher (if known)		
Member 2:		Parent / Student / RRHS Staff	
Phone:	Email:		
Member 3:		Parent / Student / RRHS Staff	
Phone:	Email:		
Member 4:		Parent / Student / RRHS Staff	
Phone:	Email:		
Total Memberships: #		Total Memberships: \$	

Please make checks payable to Rocky River PTSA

Return this completed form to the RRHS main office or mail to: RRHS PTSA, 10505 Clear Creek Commerce Drive, Mint Hill, NC 28227

OR: log onto the PTSA website and pay online at

www.rockyriverptso.jimdo.com



Don't like to cook?

<u>Come out to our share night at Bojangles (Albemarle Rd near HWY 51)</u> <u>On October 29th from 5 pm - 8 pm.</u>



<u>A portion of all sales come</u> <u>back to RRHS!</u>





This newsletter is brought to you by the Rocky River High School PTSA.

10505 Clear Creek Commerce Drive, Mint Hill, NC 28227

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The PTSA meets on the 2nd Thursday of every other month from 6:30 pm—7:30 pm.

Upcoming meetings are November 12th and January 14th.