



July 27, 2023

Dear RCS Parents and Families,

I hope that your summer is going well. As the end of July approaches we are ramping up our efforts for the start of the 2023-2024 school year. I am reaching out to share some important information with you about the new school year ahead. You can expect regular building communications to resume in the next few weeks as we reopen all of our school offices. Once our schools are open the excitement will continue to build for the first day of school on Monday, August 28th which is a half day for students. Please take a few minutes to review the important information below.

2023-2024 Athletic Participation Fees- I'm pleased to announce that the Board of Education took action at their meeting this past Monday night to suspend Pay to Participate fees for the 2023-2024 school year. We are happy to provide this adjustment for many of our middle and high school families. Continuation of the suspension of fees will be reviewed annually in the budget approval process. It is important to note that the additional operational fees associated with our club sports at both RHS and RMS will still be in place. More information in regard to this change will be sent out by the Athletic Department.

Bulldog Bulletin 2022-2023 Year in Review- Our district newsletter hit mailboxes earlier this month and we inadvertently left out some important information highlighting the achievements of the Romeo Theatre Company from this past school year. We are sharing highlights of the amazing achievements of these high school students and staff. We apologize to the RTC students and staff for this oversight. Take a look at the *RTC Year In Review* publication linked here - [RTC 2022-2023 Year In Review](#)

2023-2024 School Calendar and School Times- The 2023-2024 School Calendar was released last March and is available on the district website. The biggest change in this year's calendar is the shift of Spring Break to the last week in March that aligns with the MISD Common Calendar as required. We have confirmed our school times for next year and there will be no change. You can find the times for each level on the bottom of the calendar that is posted on the district website.

School Transportation- I would like to personally encourage all of our parents to have your children ride the bus to and from school this year. We have heard a great deal about the traffic issues at all school sites. While we continue to meet with the Macomb County Roads Department and local municipal leaders to find potential traffic improvements, the easiest and most cost effective mitigation to this is for students to ride the bus. We understand there are special circumstances that warrant the need to drop off or pick up your child(ren) but whenever possible, please utilize our district transportation.

The Transportation Department is working diligently to finalize **bus routes and times** which will be published on the district website the week of August 14th. You will find the yellow bus badge icon on the homepage in the upper left hand corner. Click there to find your information.



**ROMEO
COMMUNITY
SCHOOLS**

RMS Bulldog Days -

Tuesday, August 15th (6th Grade)

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. (last names A-G)

1:00 - 2:00 p.m. (last names H-L)

2:00 - 3:00 p.m. (last names M-R)

3:00 - 4:00 p.m. (last names S-Z)

Wednesday, August 16th (7th & 8th Grade)

8:30 - 10:00 a.m. (7th gr. - last names A-L)

10:00 - 11:30 a.m. (7th gr. - last names M-Z)

12:30 - 2:30 p.m. (8th gr. - last names A-L)

2:30 - 4:00 p.m. (8th gr. - last names M-Z)

RHS Bulldog Days -

Thursday, August 17th (9th & 12th Grade) - 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Friday, August 18th (10th & 11th Grade) - 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

More detailed information on RHS Bulldog Days will be sent to parents in early August.

Elementary Welcome Back Open Houses- Each elementary building will be hosting an Open House on Wednesday, August 23rd from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Parents will be receiving more information from your building principal.

I hope the remainder of your summer is filled with a combination of rest, relaxation and fun. We will see everyone back in August and look forward to a great year.

Go Bulldogs!

Sincerely,

Dr. Todd R. Robinson, Superintendent

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