



The Knightly News

July 31, 2020

Good afternoon,

Two more weeks before school starts. We really appreciate all of the questions during the Coffee with Principal Mac. Look for another one in the next couple of weeks.

If you have not done so, please take some time out to complete the necessary forms for your student (s) to return. See the attached instructions. If you have questions email Lauren Huitt at luhitt@rmcacs.org or Cassandra Cannon at ccannon@rmcacs.org.

Be safe



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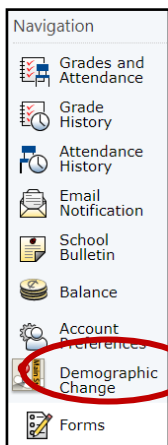
Summer Hours

Monday - Friday
9:00 - 2:00

Front Office: 719-622-8000

Back to School Form Directions

All Back to School Forms will Need to be Done for Each Returning Student on PowerSchool



Step 1: Sign in to the parent PowerSchool portal on your computer. If you don't have your login information, please contact the Registrar, Lauren Huitt, at 719-550-5339 or email at Lhuitt@rmcacs.org.

Step 2: Once logged in, please find forms on the left hand side.

Step 3: Fill out **Device User Agreement** and **Media Release** form under **General Forms**.

Step 4: Please fill out the **Multipurpose form** under the **Enrollment** tab.

Step 3

Step 4

Forms

General

Status	Form Name
Empty	Media Release Form

Ecollect Permissions

Status	Form Name
Empty	Device Use Agreement

RockyMountain

Status	Form Name
Empty	Health Information
Empty	Multipurpose Form - Student Information Update

Navigation

- Grades and Attendance
- Grade History
- Attendance History
- Email Notification
- School Bulletin
- Balance
- Account Preferences
- Demographic Change**
- Forms

Step 5: Please select **Demographic change** on the left hand side of the screen. You can make updates to parent/guardian contact information, address, and emergency contact information.

Step 6: If you have more than one child returning to RMCA, please switch student profiles on the top left hand corner and repeat steps 2-5.

Please note that if you want to update the student's address, you will need to either email proof of residency (i.e. utility bill, lease agreement, mortgage statement) to the Registrar, Lauren Huitt, at LHuitt@rmcacs.org, or fax it to 719-622-8004, or drop it off in the front office at the Enrollment window.

Virtual Back to School Day this year on **August 11**

Here are some things to get you started for this school year.

- Please make sure you follow the instructions for Re-Registering your student. (Even for re-turning students) Must be done before the first day of school.
- Purchase planners and pay for student fees go to the [Online store](#).

For safety reasons, when arriving to the school only 5 people will be allowed in the building at a time. If possible, please do not bring children.

- School supplies can be dropped off to the school starting July 20 – August 14.** Supplies must be sealed in a bag or box with the student's name and grade. No loose items will be accepted.
- Carpool numbers can be picked up August 3 – 14** in the front office. If you need additional copies, please complete the form located in the front office and they will be given to your student the first week of school.
- Don't forget to complete the application for the [Meal Program](#) or add money to your students lunch account via our [Online store](#).
- For school year calendar, connect with PTO, PowerSchool Login, Attendance email and

RMCA HAS TEAMED UP WITH



My Kid's Lunch

**TO BRING AN EXCELLENT MEAL
EXPERIENCE TO OUR STUDENTS**

All Meals: Fresh Fruit, Milk and Entrée

At RMCA we are invested in our students' health and are committed to offer healthy food to our students.

Extra Milk \$.60

Lunch \$2.95

Breakfast \$3.00

Adults \$3.70

Monday 8/17/20	Tuesday 8/18/20	Wednesday 8/19/20	Thursday 8/20/20	Friday 8/21/20
Cereal, Dried Pineapple Rings, Whole Apple	Chicken Sausage Biscuit , 100% Juice, Spiced Peaches	Blueberry Scone, 100% Juice Whole Orange	Waffles, Syrup, 100% Juice, Craisins	No K-5 (Testing Day) Pumpkin Bread, Applesauce, Dried Papaya
Cheese Lasagna Roll Up, In Marinara Sauce, Applesauce, Steamed Carrots	Turkey Pepperoni Calzone, Marinara Dipping Sauce, Seasonal Fruit, Romaine Salad, Italian Dressing	Breakfast Burrito Scrambled Eggs Cheddar Cheese, Fresh Banana, Hash Browns	Grilled Cheeseburger Wheat Bun, Ketchup, Seasonal Fruit, Baked Beans	Chicken Fried Rice, Mandarin Oranges, Steamed Green Beans

2019-2020 Meal Program – Apply Today or come to RMCA

[https://charterchoice.strataapps.com/\(S\(gh4h21prvapkousmgf24dhm\)\)/Default.aspx](https://charterchoice.strataapps.com/(S(gh4h21prvapkousmgf24dhm))/Default.aspx)



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BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

School Age Child Care, Ages 5 - 12



The YMCA of the Pikes Peak Region's Before & After School Child Care program expands learning beyond the classroom. Children are celebrated for their uniqueness and provided with multiple opportunities for growth and development through a variety of activities. Homework assistance, snack, and physical activity are provided daily.

Register online at
ppymca.org/beforeandafter



SERVING SCHOOL DISTRICTS
2, 8, 11, 12, 14, 20, 38, D49
& Charter Schools

For questions or more information please contact the Y
Before & After School Program at 719.329.7289 or childcare@ppymca.org.

Financial assistance is available. The Y is an authorized CCCAP provider.
Please check our ppymca.org/beforeandafter for locations.



Children's Hospital Colorado

BACKPACK BASH

COLORADO SPRINGS



2020



This summer, we're aiming to help 10,000 kids in El Paso County get everything they need to start the year off right across five community locations!

Attendance Details

- Each family is allowed to attend ONE Backpack Bash.
- For your safety, backpacks will be given out via drive-thru. Please help us stay safe by wearing a mask!
- **Your child must be present to receive their FREE backpack.**
- Backpacks will be given out on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more info, visit
[cosiloveyou.com/
backpackbash/](https://cosiloveyou.com/backpackbash/)



Location Details

August 1
9am-1pm

Southeast

Mission Trace Shopping Center
3031 S Academy Blvd

East

Mountain Springs Church
7345 Adventure Way

Westside

Coronado High School
1590 W Fillmore St

August 8
9am-1pm

North

Doherty High School
4515 Barnes Rd

Monument

Tri-Lakes YMCA
17250 Jackson Creek Pkwy,
Monument

How to help

Volunteer

Visit cosiloveyou.com/backpackbash/
for volunteer slots!

Donate

Purchase supplies from our list or
make a donation online! For supply
drop off sites, visit
cosiloveyou.com/backpackbash/

Join us!

August 1

Locations:

- Mission Trace Shopping Center
- Mountain Springs Church
- Coronado High School

August 8

Locations:

- Tri-Lakes YMCA
- Doherty High School

Donations

Most needed:

- High school/elementary backpacks

Priority:

- Spiral notebooks - college and wide ruled
- 3-ring binders
- Pens - blue/black/red
- Pencils
- Plastic pocket folders
- Face masks



General:

- Mechanical pencils
- Colored pencils
- Erasers
- Highlighters
- Rulers
- Protractors
- Loose leaf college ruled paper
- 3x5 index cards
- Scientific/basic calculators
- Thumb drives
- Dry erase markers
- Kleenex
- Hand sanitizer
- Sanitizer wipes



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Enrolling Now

If you or anyone you know is interested in enrolling any new students here at RMCA, please fill out the Letter of Intent to Enroll form. You can find the form on our website under enrollment. The form should be fillable from your computer and the completed form can be sent to Lhuitt@rmcacs.org, faxed to 719-622-8004, or dropped off in our front office Monday-Friday from 9 AM to 2 PM.

Once received, we will send a confirmation email and let you know if we have an immediate spot available in the grade(s) you are interested in. If a spot is immediately available, we will send over an enrollment offer through email. If a spot is not immediately available, we will place your student on our waitlist and offer spots on a first come first serve basis. Staff member children, students with siblings who currently attend, and students transferring from the homeschool will receive priority placement.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding enrollment, please contact me at 719-550-5339 or LHuitt@rmcacs.org.

Thank you!

Welcome New Teachers to RMCA

We are pleased to welcome several new teachers this year.

Elementary Teachers

Kindergarten

Ms. Amber Gier
Ms. Vanessa Joens
Ms. Kaydee Glumac
Ms. Raeli Reyes

2nd Grade

Ms. Jenna Unger
Ms. Alysia Padilla

3rd Grade

Ms. Alyssa Barson

MS Assistant Principal

Mr. Chad Cullers

5th Grade

Mr. Matt Foster
Jackie Thomas
Chelsea Melcic

Middle School

Mrs. Leah Woodward,
Rhetoric and Logic

Mr. Aaron Smith,
History

Ms. Lucy Parr,
Latin

Volunteers

**Each year you must sign up to volunteer.
This year you must complete an application.**

Click on the following link

**[https://apps.raptortech.com/Apply/
MzEzMTplbi1VUw==](https://apps.raptortech.com/Apply/MzEzMTplbi1VUw==)**

Due to COVID-19 only 5 volunteers will be allowed in the building per day. A Sign-Up Genius will be sent out at a later date with more details.

Parents and Guardians

You can take advantage of our Text Messaging Service

Our school utilizes the SchoolMessenger system to deliver text messages, straight to your mobile phone with important information about events, school closings, safety alerts and more.*

You can participate in this free service* just by sending a text message of “Y” or “Yes” to our school’s short code number, **67587**.

You can also opt out of these messages at any time by simply replying to one of our messages with “**Stop**”.

SchoolMessenger is compliant with the [Student Privacy Pledge™](#), so you can rest assured that your information is safe and will never be given or sold to anyone.



**Opt-In from
your mobile
phone now!**



**Just send
“Y” or “Yes”
to 67587**

i Information on SMS text messaging and Short Codes:

SMS stands for Short Message Service and is commonly referred to as a “text message”. Most cell phones support this type of text messaging. Our notification provider, SchoolMessenger, uses a true SMS protocol developed by the telecommunications industry specifically for mass text messaging, referred to as “short code” texting. This method is fast, secure and highly reliable because it is strictly regulated by the wireless carriers and only allows access to approved providers. If you’ve ever sent a text vote for a TV show to a number like 46999, you have used short code texting.

*Terms and Conditions – Message frequency varies. Standard message and data rates may apply. Reply HELP for help. Text STOP to cancel. Mobile carriers are not liable for delayed or undelivered messages. See schoolmessenger.com/txt for more info.



Middle School Fall Sports Info

Dear Parents,

As we get ready to gear up for this school year there are many unknowns. One of these big question marks is sports. As of right now, we are awaiting CHSAA's (Colorado High School Athletic Association) recommendation for our fall seasons. There is a very good possibility that they will push start dates back, alter rules and procedures, or even move the seasons to spring. As soon as we hear from them we will inform all of our parents. As we currently stand, we are preparing for fall sports as if they will start on time but making student safety our main priority. As always safety is our number one priority. We will mandate temperature checks, social distancing, and handwashing/sanitizing breaks for practices and games. We are predicting that CHSAA will give return to play guidelines that we will strictly follow. If you are interested in fall sports please register your child online using the link below. Our fall sports plan is a live-action plan, that will change as we progress over the next few weeks and months. There is a high probability that things will change for our fall seasons and we want to thank you in advance for your patience & grace as you partner with us during this time!

RMCA Athletics

Football Tryout Info:

Tryouts Dates: Mon-Wed, August 3rd-5th Tryouts Start Time:
4-6 pm

Tryouts Location: Laura Gilpin Park

Volleyball Tryout Info:

Tryouts Dates: Mon-Wed, August 10th-12th (Monday Open Gym) Tryouts Start Time:
4-6 pm

Tryouts Location: RMCA Gym

Cross Country Start Date (No tryouts):

Start Dates: Monday, August 10th Start Time: 4-6
pm

Location: Staff Entrance on the East side of the building

How to Register:

Please use the link below to register your child for any fall sport. Once registered online your child will be able to attend the anticipated start dates. Please make sure your child has a mask when walking up to practices and tryouts.

Registration Link:

<https://forms.gle/Yw1Cp2xXojtGaCz78>

Important Information Regarding Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer (P-EBT)

Dear Parents and Guardians,

You may have heard about a new program authorized by the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) called Pandemic Electronic Benefits Transfer or P-EBT for short. This program intends to provide financial assistance to families of children eligible for free or reduced-price school meals who have lost access to food due to the school closures caused by COVID-19. The financial assistance will be distributed to eligible families on new or existing Colorado EST cards. The average P-EBT benefit is \$5.70/child per day or up to \$279 per eligible child, retroactive to when school initially closed. [Optional language: This benefit is in addition to the grab-n-go meals that the district is currently offering at select locations (optional: provide list of locations).]

If your family is already participating in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and possesses an EST card, the P-EBT benefits will automatically be loaded onto your card within the month of July 2020. **If your family is not currently enrolled in SNAP benefits, you must complete an application to receive P-EBT.**

Receiving these benefits will **not** affect your immigration or public charge status. All families who are eligible for P-EBT may receive it, regardless of immigration status. P-EBT is a pandemic emergency benefit based on free or reduced-price school meal eligibility, and similar to other benefits that the Department Homeland Security has stated that it is excluded from consideration in public charge.

Household information that is used to determine eligibility is protected under both federal and state data privacy practices.

To successfully complete the P-EBT application, you will need your child(ren)'s State Assigned Student ID (SASID) number [option: change to student ID number for private schools].

Best Practice and Encouraged Option:

See below:

Name: - - - - -

SASID: _____

Additional options:

If you are interested in applying for P-EBT, contact [Cassandra Cannon at ccannon@rmcacs.org] to obtain the required SASID [option: or student ID] information.

Upon approval, an EST card with the qualifying amount will be mailed to you. To access the P-EBT application visit: <https://www.colorado.gov/cdhs/p-ebt>.

For more information about P-EBT, please visit Colorado Department of Human Services' Frequently Asked Questions [webpage](#). If you have further questions, please contact pebt2020@state.co.us and a representative will respond.

If you have other questions or need help, contact [Cassandra Cannon at ccannon@rmcacs.org]



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(1) mail : U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights; 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; (2) fax: (202) 690-7442;

or

(3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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