



Raider Notes

Rescue
Elementary School

Todd McGinnis, Principal

May 2023

Principal's Message

Dear Rescue Families:

As we approach the end of the school year, there's a sense of excitement and anticipation among both students and staff. The final weeks are always filled with a flurry of activities and events, including field trips, award ceremonies, and end-of-year parties. With 4 weeks left, it is challenging to fit it all in. For our graduating 5th graders, this is an especially significant time as they prepare to transition to middle school. We have been working closely with them to help them navigate this change and provide them with the tools they need to succeed in the next phase of their education. Please remember we will be visiting Pleasant Grove on 5/18 so the students can get a better glimpse of what their future holds. Overall, the end of the school year is a time of mixed emotions, as we say goodbye to some of our students and welcome new ones. But it's also a time of renewal and new beginnings, as we prepare for the challenges and opportunities of the year ahead.

Friday, May 12th is a big day at Rescue Elementary. We will begin with a Band Performance from 4:30-5:00 in the multipurpose room. Our classrooms and teachers will be ready for Open House between 5:00-6:00. The PTC Spring Carnival will kick off from 5:00-8:00. The Carnival will have food trucks, new games, inflatables, flower/vegetable sale, and raffle baskets! You can pre order your carnival tickets on the PTC [website](#).

Friday, May 19th will be a minimum day. Grades 1st through 5th will be dismissed at 12:55pm. Friday, May 26th is the last day of class and a minimum day; grades 1st through 5th will be dismissed at 12:55pm.

I want to express my gratitude to the PTC for their unwavering dedication and support over the past several years. Their hard work and commitment have made a significant impact on our students and staff. PTC has been responsible for making memorable events and setting a culture at Rescue Elementary. They put in countless hours to make sure we have additional programs, classes, and events. We are all deeply grateful for all that they have done for us. Special thank you to Sydnie Warner, Deanna Kraatz, and Crissi Sisterman for all they have done for the kids and staff during some challenging years.

Our character count for May is a focus on creativity. It is this trait that I find really encourages the uniqueness of others. Creativity is something that lies behind behavior. It is behavior that is imaginative and inventive. Creativity is thinking outside of the box and having the courage to ask questions, demonstrating curiosity and wonder. When kids are born and begin to discover and learn, that natural sense of creativity is there. Each student has a sense of creativity, and it is important that we encourage that through their school experience. It is important to teach students to be problem solvers by encouraging independent thinking. That is difficult because there are pressures to get the right answer the first time and a hesitance to share when getting an answer wrong. We want our students to develop a level of comfort so they can take risks, share their thinking, learn from their mistakes and keep trying new things. Our kids are amazing and there are so many unique qualities that they possess. I urge you to continue to encourage your students to continue to try new things whether it is food, activities, or experiences. They may like them, they may not, but they won't know unless they try them. That is what makes life rich!

Have a great May and end of the School Year,

Todd McGinnis, Principal

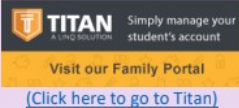
Calendar of Events

- **May 1-5 Teacher Appreciation Week**
- Monday, May 1st — 4th grade Field Trip make up Wakamatsu
- Tuesday, May 2nd — 1st grade Field Trip Placerville Library
- Tuesday, May 2nd — 2nd grade Field Trip Zoo
- **Wednesday, May 3rd — Early Release**
- Friday, May 5th CAASPP testing ends
- Tuesday, May 9th — 3rd grade Farm Day
- **Wednesday, May 10th — Early Release**
- Wednesday, May 10th — 5th grade Field Trip Rivercrafts
- Friday, May 12th — Spelling Bee
- Friday, May 12th — Spring Concert
- Friday, May 12th — Open House
- Friday, May 12th — PTC Carnival
- Tuesday, May 16th — Band Concert
- Tuesday, May 16th — 2nd grade Field Trip Ponderosa HS
- **Wednesday, May 17th — Early Release**
- Wednesday, May 17th — Volunteer Breakfast
- Thursday, May 18th — 5th grade Middle School Tour
- **Friday, May 19th — Minimum Day**
- Tuesday, May 23rd — Field Day
- **Wednesday, May 24th — Early Release**
- Wednesday, May 24th — Kinder Spring Concert
- Thursday, May 25th — 5th grade End of the Year Celebration
- Thursday, May 25th — 5th grade Field Trip Dave Moore Park
- Friday, May 26th — Dress Aloha Day
- Friday, May 26th — 2nd grade walking Field Trip
- **Friday, May 26th — Last Day of School — Minimum Day**



Rescue Union Food Service

Is your student leaving our district? Please read the following:



(Click here to go to Titan)

If you have a positive balance in your student's lunch account through Titan, you can log in and move money from a promoted student into a sibling's account in the Titan family portal. An FAQ can be found at rescuecafe.org. If you just want a refund, please contact food services at 530-672-4466. **As of June 30th each year, any money left in an inactive student account will be considered a District donation.**

*Made Fresh
from our
Central
Kitchen!*

What's cooking next year?

We are pleased to announce we are moving towards more homemade items next school year. New breakfast items include Peaches and Cream Overnight Oats, Very Berry Pan Bread and Scrambles Eggs with Bacon. For lunch we'll be introducing a Burrito Bowl, cooking fresh Grilled Cheese Sandwiches, and making our own fried rice just to name a few items. We are also looking to bring in more fresh produce from local farms. We're excited and hope your students will be too!

Art

As May fast approaches, we are working on our last art project of the year. This month, the students at Rescue will be creating a colored pencil, oil pastel and marker painting inspired by the iconic artist, Bob Ross. I wanted to do something fun for the kids, they all worked so hard on their last paintings. Please show your support by attending the art show in the gym on May 12th, during Open House where their paintings will be on display.

I hope you all have an amazing summer, and if anyone wants to continue their art experience, I will be teaching a variety of different art workshops in my art studio this summer. I look forward to returning to Rescue in the Fall with all new art projects and new artists.

"There are no mistakes (in art), only happy accidents." ~ Bob Ross

Thank you for being so welcoming to me this year.
~ Miss Jamie



Happy May!

We have made it! I wanted to thank everyone for allowing me to support your wonderful children each year and I look forward to being back next year every day! I hope everyone has a safe and fun summer! Below are some tips on how to keep the summer routines and suggestions for keeping our students active while having fun!

Keep Daily routines – regular wake up, eating and bed times – even if shifted later for the long days

- Summer competitions – summer reading programs at the local library or summer sports leagues
- Camps – educational, sports or overnight
- Scheduled family trips and Family time
- Getting outside, swimming a couple times a week if possible
- Limit screen time if possible and add in some physical activity

Take care everyone!

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TK, Kinder & New Student Registration

Packets are now available on the district website and in the office.

TK children must be turning 5 between September 2, 2023 and April 2, 2024. If your student already attends Rescue Elementary, you do not need to re-register your student for Kindergarten or any other grade level.

<http://www.rescueelementary.org/Parents/2023-2024-Enrollment-Form/index.html>

Drop Off/Pick Up Procedures

Drop Off Procedures: The drop off areas are located in front of the school office. When entering the drop off area, pull forward. Please do not leave your car unattended unless you are in a parking spot. Please do not drop off your students before 8:40 a.m.

Pick Up Procedures:

Please make sure you follow the following procedures when picking up your child after school:

- If you are walking on campus, please wait by the covered picnic table area. Please do not wait outside of your child's classroom. Your child's teacher will walk their class out.
- Kindergarten families will pick up their children outside of the Kindergarten Playground next to the Rescue West gravel parking area. Please hold a sign with your child's name on it.
- If you are picking your child up in front of the office, please pull forward to the end of the curb to help the flow of traffic. **Please have a sheet of paper with your student(s) name in the visor.** This will help us expedite the flow of traffic. Please do not leave your vehicle unattended at the curb.
- All students need to be picked up by 3:20 p.m. on regular days and by 2:20 p.m. on Early Release days. We are not able to supervise students after that period of time.
- If you choose to park and meet your student, please use the appropriate entrance and park in the appropriate spaces. Please do not park in handicap spaces unless you have a placard.
- Those wishing to use our Rescue West overflow parking, please use the entrance at the west end of the parking lot to enter. We will be closing the bar gate near the Kindergarten building for the safety of students and parents. Thank you for your help with this.

Thank you for your support in keeping your children safe. Please contact Mr. McGinnis if you have any questions.

Music

The 4th graders playing recorder and the 5th grade band are looking forward to performing in our Spring Concert right before Open House, at 4:30pm in the gym on Friday, May 12th. Please come and enjoy the concert to start the fun-filled evening! -Mrs. Olson



After-School Tutoring Homework Support

This is a FREE opportunity for all students in grades TK-8, with a teacher will be on-site to help with homework.

Bring ALL of your homework

Don't forget to bring any books & notes you need

Chromebooks will be on-site for any homework that needs it

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Thursday

4:15 pm- 5:15 pm

The Clubhouse at Glenview Apartments

Rescue Parent Teacher Club

The Rescue Parent Teacher Club provides a great forum for parents, teachers, and staff members at Rescue Elementary School. The Rescue PTC supports the education of children by fostering relationships among the school, parents, and teachers. PTC meetings are held every **3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m.** Board members, community members, parents, staff members, and teachers join together to discuss their ideas and plan events to support the needs of the school and encourage community involvement. New members and supporters are always welcome! Please check out the PTC website at www.rescueptc.com for more information! They are also located on Facebook at www.facebook.com/RescueElementaryPTC.

Rescue School Website

Communication is very important for our Rescue community. There are several ways to receive information for our school. We recommend families access our school website for school information and announcements. The school calendar will provide families with monthly events so you are able to stay involved and participate. Please note that Rescue School events will be preceded with "RS." If you have a Gmail account, you should be able to sync the school calendar with your personal one! You will also be able to view the bell schedule for the 2022-2023 school year. Each teacher will be updating their own web links to the web page to provide information about their class for parents. Our PTC also has a link that shares important information on events and needs for community members. Lastly, Mr. McGinnis will provide a week at a glance to provide any important information or updates for families. This will be sent out before next week. A monthly newsletter will also be sent out to inform families of events at the school. Please contact your student's teacher or the school office if you have any questions.