



Raider Notes

Rescue
Elementary School

Todd McGinnis, Principal
March 2024

Principal's Message

Calendar of Events

Hello Rescue Families,

Thank you to everyone who supported our read-a-thon fundraiser this week. The kids enjoyed the spirit days, and it has been great to witness a significant push in reading. At Rescue Elementary, we recognize the importance of fostering strong reading skills. I really appreciate our PTC for organizing the read-a-thon, aiming to enhance the capacity of our library. It's amazing to witness our community uniting to support our library.

As we continue to support our students in their learning experiences, the character trait for March is Cooperation. Cooperation is a fundamental trait for creating a positive and collaborative learning environment. In the classroom, cooperation means working together towards common goals, working on group projects, playing games, or day-to-day interactions. Our character trait lessons focus on strategies to foster collaboration and highlight the benefits of a community that successfully works together.

We have now entered the third and final trimester of the school year. It is heartwarming to observe the progress our students have made this year. Our staff is extremely fortunate to witness the academic growth our students achieve year after year. Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education; we greatly appreciate it. Due to internet issues out of our control, report cards are not yet available, we will notify everyone when second-trimester report cards will be available for viewing. If you have any questions about the standards or assessments given, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Take care everyone and I hope you have a fantastic March.

Todd McGinnis
Principal

- **Wednesday, March 6th— Early Release**
- Friday, March 8th—Spirit Day—Disney Theme
- Sunday, March 10th—Daylight savings time starts
- Tuesday, March 12th—Board Meeting 6:30pm
- **Wednesday, March 13th— Early Release**
- Wednesday, March 13th—District band concert 2:30pm @ Pleasant Grove
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- **Wednesday, March 20th— Early Release**
- Thursday, March 21st—4th grade field trip Wakamatsu Farm
- Friday, March 22nd—Spirit Day—Twin Day
- **Monday, March 25th—Monday April 1st Spring Break No School**
- Tuesday, April 2—School resumes

Counselor's Corner

Hi everyone!

I can't believe we have made it to March! Spring is almost here and we are in the last few months of school which is hard to believe! This month we will be focusing on cooperation. This is a perfect time for this trait because we will all have to work together to ensure we finish the year strong! Continuing to keep a good routine and well balanced schedule will help us finish the year strong! I will be continuing to do guidance lessons, small groups, as well as individual counseling. Please feel free to contact me anytime if you need anything.

Have a great month everyone!

Terry Libbon M.S., PPS
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Rescue Elementary School
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TK, Kinder & New Student Registration

Packets are now available on the district website and in the office. We will begin accepting completed packets on February 7th.

TK children must be turning 5 between September 2, 2024 and June 2, 2025. If your student already attends Rescue Elementary you do not need to re-register your student for Kindergarten or any other grade level.

<https://www.rescueelementary.org/Parents/2024-2025-Enrollment-Form/index.html>

Rescue Union Food Service



What's Cooking?

Every Monday we serve chicken strips with potato smiles (elementary) or seasoned curly fries (middle school). The strips are made from whole muscle chicken breast meat and served with our special Signature Sauce. It's like a little bit of Chick-fil-A at school. What a great way to start the week!

This month we are featuring broccoli from Royally Grown Farm in Salinas. They are CCOF certified organic farm growing a variety of vegetables and berries.

Volunteers

We are excited to welcome our parents or community members to volunteer and help out in our schools and classrooms. If you would like to become a volunteer please visit the district website at <http://www.rescueusd.org/Resources/Volunteers/index.html> to review the volunteer handbook and fill out the appropriate volunteer packet and return it to your school office. If you have previously volunteered for our district, please contact your student's school office and communicate with the site secretary to verify that you are on the approved volunteer list.

School Attendance

Daily school attendance is critical for a student's academic success. Parents are strongly encouraged to schedule medical appointments during non-school hours. Should your student be absent, please call the school (677-2720) by 9:00 am to report the absence. All students arriving after 8:55 am must check in at the office. It is important for students to be on time as it sets the tone for their learning for the day. Thank you for your support in your student's learning.

Art

The students at Rescue Elementary will be painting with acrylic paint on canvases. They will be introduced to the artist, Wayne Thiebaud. He was a Sacramento Pop artist, best known for his whimsical paintings of sweet treats and desserts. Pop art is a style of art based on simple, bold images of everyday items, usually painted in bright colors. ~ Miss Jamie



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 8:40a.m

Pick Up Procedures:

1. Grade level families wanting to pick up their children on campus may wait either near the Rescue West parking lot or on the lower blacktop near the Library/Picnic table area. Please do not wait outside of your child's classroom. Your child's teacher will walk their class out. ***Please do not walk onto the blacktop or playground area until the dismissal bell rings.***

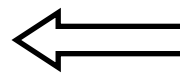
2. Please do not park in handicap spaces unless you have a placard.

3. Please also leave the EDCOE parking spaces empty in the kindergarten parking lot. We have 3 to 4 vans that park in those spots daily to pick up students.

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

Garden

The garden lesson for March is about compost and worms. We will look at how compost is made and what ingredients are required. We will also talk about how worms can help in the creation of soil and break down of matter in the compost pile. We will also learn about worm lifecycles.



- **Fever:** If your child has a fever they are required to stay home until they are fever free for at least 24 hours without fever reducing medication (Tylenol, Motrin, etc).
- **Vomiting and/or Diarrhea:** Please keep your student home until they have at least one full day of normal health (no vomiting and/or diarrhea).
- **For Colds and Flu's:** If your child must be fever free for at least 24 hours (without fever reducing medications) and the cold/flu symptoms must be resolved or improving to return to school.



Music

The 5th Grade Band is getting ready for our District Band Festival where all the 5th grade band students (over 100 students!) will perform together at Pleasant Grove on Wednesday, March 13th at 4:30pm. Rehearsal starts at 2:30pm at Pleasant Grove, so plan on picking up your band student from school that day or arranging a ride to Pleasant Grove so we can practice together before the performance. Band students will also have the opportunity that day to meet the Middle School Band Directors, Mr. Manley from Pleasant Grove and Mr. Cain from Marina Village and get to hear about the band program in Middle School!