



Wildcat Pause



Principal's Message

Dear LaSalle Springs Families,

*We will open the book. Its pages are blank.
We are going to put words on them ourselves.
The book is called Opportunity and its first
chapter is New Year's Day. ~Edith Lovejoy Pierce*

The New Year has always been a time when we can look back to the past, but more importantly, look forward to the future to the changes we want or need to make, and resolve to complete those changes. According to recent polls, more than 50 % of Americans have resolved to spend more time with family and friends during the coming year. Just about every resolution list also includes organization as a goal. This is a great resolution to help our students with as we begin a new semester.

Now is the time to check those school supplies to replenish any needed items, and to also vow to use the assignment planner. We can assist our students by reminding them to go over their list before they leave school for the day to make sure that they bring home the correct books and assignments. At home, setting aside a place and time for homework will keep your child more organized. Checking off work as its completed, and prioritizing assignments will alleviate the last minute scrambling that can occur without sufficient planning. Lastly, organize for tomorrow by getting items ready for the next day.

Happy New Year 2011! We look forward to another successful year reaching our goals and resolutions!

Sincerely,

Deborah E. Brandt
Principal



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January:

- 4 School Resumes
- 11 **Parent Night for incoming 6th, 7th & 8th graders**
- 11 Counselor Coffee/PTO Presentation - Cyber Safety
- 13 Geography Bee
- 14 Spelling Bee
- 15 Staff Development Day dismissal at 11:15 am
- 18 No School-Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
- 20 LSMS 17th Birthday
- 23 Volleyball Intramurals Rockwood Summit HS
- 26-27 Scoliosis Screening

To listen to the Special Events Calendar please call 938-2425 X4600

or
For more events and information, please visit our website at:

www.rockwood.k12.mo.us/lasalle



JANUARY—FEBRUARY CALENDAR

JANUARY

JANUARY 4	School Resumes—Second Semester Begins
JANUARY 7	Report Cards Available on Infinite Campus
JANUARY 11	Parent Night for Incoming Sixth Graders 7:00 pm
JANUARY 11	Parent Night for Incoming Seventh and Eighth Graders 6:00 pm
JANUARY 12	Geography Bee
JANUARY 13	Spelling Bee
JANUARY 14	Staff Development A Day—Dismissal at 11:15 am
JANUARY 17	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday—No School
JANUARY 18	Dream Catcher Applications due to Rockwood Schools Foundation
JANUARY 19	Curriculum Night at EHS for 2011/12 Freshmen 6:30 pm
JANUARY 20	Happy 18th Birthday LaSalle Springs!
JANUARY 21—FEBRUARY 1	Infinite Campus Online Registration Link Available
JANUARY 22	Volleyball Intramural at Eureka High School 8:00 am - 4:30 pm
JANUARY 26-27	Scoliosis Screening

FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY 7-11	National School Counseling Week
FEBRUARY 8	Counselor Coffee—10:00 am
FEBRUARY 8	FCA Sponsored Red Cross Blood Drive 2:30—7:00 pm
FEBRUARY 10	Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:30—7:00 pm
FEBRUARY 15	Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:30—7:00 pm
FEBRUARY 18	Staff Development A Day—Dismissal at 11:15 am
FEBRUARY 21	President's Day Holiday—No School
FEBRUARY 22	Progress Reports available on Infinite Campus
FEBRUARY 23	Career Fair—8th Grade
FEBRUARY 24	Orchestra MIOS Concert at LSMS 7:00 pm
FEBRUARY 28—MARCH 4	Rockwood Reading Week and PTO Book Fair at LSMS



***NEW PHONE NUMBER FOR
LASALLE SPRINGS***

**AS OF DECEMBER 29, 2010
LSMS WILL HAVE A NEW PHONE NUMBER**

636 733-4200

NURSE'S NOTES



WINTER ILLS

Happy New Year--it's cold & flu season! We can't keep our kids in a bubble, so what can we do to keep them safe and healthy? If your child seems ill first thing in the morning, please think carefully before sending them to school. If you instruct "go to the nurse and call me if you still feel sick later", odds are very good you'll be hearing from us soon!

Respiratory infections: To avoid colds, flu, coughs and sore throats, the experts advise us to "stay away from sick people". If only it were that simple! The best advice to curtail the spread of minor ailments is actually very simple: stay home if you're sick, cover your coughs and sneezes, and wash your hands often—especially before meals. Illnesses caused by bacteria can generally be treated with antibiotics. Illnesses caused by viruses generally just need to run their course with symptomatic treatment. As always, a student with a fever needs to stay home.

Gastrointestinal illnesses: "Stomach flu" is not really the flu at all, but many people use this generic phrase to describe any GI upset that involves nausea, vomiting or diarrhea. Middle school kids are mortified to contend with bowel issues at school, so have a heart and listen carefully to their concerns. Again, hand washing and avoiding contact with those who are sick are our best defenses.

Head Lice: This is a hassle, but *not* a health hazard. Those of you with younger siblings know that head lice are frequently an issue in our elementary schools. Not so much at middle school, mostly because our kids are less likely to be in close physical contact in class, and coats are separated in lockers. Now and then, these unwelcome visitors show up. We do not do routine screenings for lice, but you can do this yourself. First, just take a deep breath and stay calm. Live bugs and egg casings [nits] can be spotted by careful inspection of your child's hair. One-hundred relaxing brush strokes of your moody daughter's hair, or a stress-reducing massage of your son's rebellious head, can serve more than one parenting purpose! You will find information about coping with head lice on the Rockwood website, or let me know if you have any questions. [And stop scratching your head after reading this!]

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

COUNSELOR/PARENT
COFFEE**Special Evening With Your Counselors!**

Please join Mrs. Klawiter (counselor for incoming 6th grade), Mrs. Patton (counselor for incoming 7th grade) and Dr. Mueth (counselor for incoming 8th grade) for a special evening to discuss next year's registration for classes. We will be discussing the forms that will be coming home with your child to help your family make the best educational decisions. Come ready to discuss and ask questions! Please note that the incoming 6th grade session will be at a later time to accommodate parents who may have children in another grade.

Tuesday, January 11, 2011

Incoming 7th grade—6:00 p.m.-Room 606

Incoming 8th grade—6:00 p.m.-Room 706

Incoming 6th grade—7:00 p.m.-Commons

If you are unable to attend this meeting, please feel free to contact your child's counselor and we will be happy to answer any questions you may have about registration.

THANKS!

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All @rockwood.k12.mo.us

(NURSE'S NOTES CONTINUED)

SPINAL SCREENING

Spinal screening for scoliosis is done in January for girls in 6th grade, and both boys & girls in 8th grade.

The screening is quick and easy: a pair of Rockwood nurses simply looks at your child's back and shoulders looking for any asymmetry [unevenness]. Because these nurses see literally hundreds of adolescent backs, they are very skilled at detecting subtle problems. Any asymmetry at this age needs to be further assessed by a physician. Often, healthy kids this age are not seeing a pediatrician as often as they did as young children—it is unwise to let 2 or 3 years elapse between assessments for spinal symmetry and scoliosis.

In the PE locker rooms, two students at a time are assessed in side-by-side changing stalls, with two nurses just outside the curtains. All students are asked to remove their shirts to allow a clear view. If you prefer that your child not participate in this screening, please complete the opt-out form elsewhere in this newsletter. If your child is already being followed by a doctor for a spinal problem, just let me know.

Dottie Bardon RN, BSN
School Nurse



Spinal Screening 2010-2011

Dear Parents,

Rockwood School District will conduct a scoliosis screening program at LaSalle Springs Middle School on **January 26 and 27, for all girls in the 6th and 8th grades, and all boys in the 8th grade.** Scoliosis is an abnormal curvature of the spine that may become more pronounced during the adolescent period of rapid growth. If detected early and appropriately treated, progressive spinal deformity can be prevented.

The procedure for screening is simple. A nurse views the child's back and shoulders in the standing position and in the forward bending position. It takes about a minute! Boys and girls are screened separately by a team of Rockwood nurses, with careful attention to assure privacy. In order to properly assess each student's back, both boys and girls are asked to remove their shirts. Girls should wear a swimsuit top, halter-top, or bra under their shirts the day of the screening. Screening at LSMS will be done through PE classes, in the locker rooms.

If you prefer your child not participate in this screening, please sign and return this letter by Friday, January 14, 2010.

Sincerely,

Dottie Bardon, RN, BSN
LaSalle Springs School Nurse

PE teacher/class period _____ / _____

Student's Name

Grade

I **do not** want my child to be screened for scoliosis.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

ONLINE REGISTRATION FOR 2011-2012 MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Students in middle and high school for the 2011-2012 school year will need to register for their courses online. Students will use their existing Infinite Campus Portal accounts to access the Registration link. This link will enable students to enter and check their course requests. **The Infinite Campus Portal Registration link is available FRIDAY, JANUARY 21st -- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1st.** An Online Registration Guide will be available on the District web site's Infinite Campus page in early January.

Please note this about the process:

For current 8th Grade Students –

On *Monday, December 6th*, Dr. Sevier, Director of Guidance and Counseling, will discuss with students their 5-year plan (4 years of high school, plus the year after graduation).

On *Monday, December 6th at 7:00pm* in the library, Dr. Sevier will also deliver the 5-year plan presentation to parents. Students are welcome to attend as well.

On *Wednesday, January 19th at 6:30pm* Eureka High School will host the High School Curriculum Night where parents can obtain information about courses offered at the high school. Parents of current 8th graders will meet in the Theater.

On *Friday, January 14th*, the Eureka High School counselors will present to students during the school day more information about 9th grade course selection and directions for registering online. At this time, students will receive a copy of the High School Course Description Guide and online registration directions.

Between Friday, January 21st and Tuesday, February 1st, students are expected to register online for their courses for the 2011-2012 school year. Students enrolling on the first or second day of the registration window will **not** receive a higher priority over those registering during the middle or end of the window. However, we do not advise waiting until the last minute to register just in case there are technical difficulties.

After the online registration process is completed, parents need to print out and sign the bottom of their Online Registration sheet. Then students are to return it to their Language Arts teacher by *Wednesday, February 2nd*.

Please note that Eureka will do its best to try and enroll students in the courses they have requested; *however*, there is no guarantee that a student will be enrolled in their first choice. Please note that Online Registration sheets returned after the due date will receive a lower priority for honoring that student's course requests.

For current 7th Grade Students –

On *Tuesday, January 11th at 6:00pm*, Dr. Mueth, the 7th Grade Counselor, will present information regarding 8th grade course options and instructions for registering online. Students and Parents are welcome.

During the week of January 11th, Dr. Mueth will present to students information regarding 8th grade course options and instructions for registering online. At this time, students will receive a copy of the Middle School Course Description Guide, online registration directions, and a Course Selection Sheet.

Between Friday, January 21st and Tuesday, February 1st, students are expected to register online for their courses for the 2011-2012 school year. Students enrolling on the first or second day of the registration window will not receive a higher priority over those registering during the middle or end of the window. However, we do not advise waiting until the last weekend to register just in case there are technical difficulties.

After the online registration process is completed, students will need to complete their Course Selection Sheet, have it signed by a parent, and return it to their Language Arts teacher by *Thursday, February 3rd*. In the event there is a discrepancy between the courses marked on the Course Selection Sheet and the courses selected online, then the school will use the choices marked on the Course Selection Sheet.

Please note that LaSalle will do its best to try and enroll students in the courses they have requested; *however*, there is no guarantee that a student will be enrolled in their first choice. Course Selection Sheets returned after the due date will receive a lower priority for honoring that student's course requests.

For current 6th Grade Students –

On **Tuesday, January 11th at 6:00pm**, Mrs. Patton, the 6th Grade Counselor, will present information regarding 7th grade course options and instructions for registering online. Students and parents are welcome.

During the week of January 11th, Mrs. Patton will present to students information regarding 7th grade course options and instructions for registering online. At this time, students will receive a copy of the Middle School Course Description Guide, online registration directions, and a Course Selection Sheet.

Between Friday, January 21st and Tuesday, February 1st, students are expected to register online for their courses for the 2011-2012 school year. Students enrolling on the first or second day of the registration window will not receive a higher priority over those registering during the middle or end of the window. However, we do not advise waiting until the last weekend to register just in case there are technical difficulties.

After the online registration process is completed, students will need to complete their Course Selection Sheet, have it signed by a parent, and return it to their Language Arts teacher by **Thursday, February 3rd**. In the event there is a discrepancy between the courses marked on the Course Selection Sheet and the courses selected online, then the school will use the choices marked on the Course Selection Sheet.

Please note that LaSalle will do its best to try and enroll students in the courses they have requested; *however*, there is no guarantee that a student will be enrolled in their first choice. Students who submit Course Selection Sheets after the due date will receive a lower priority for honoring that student's course requests.

For current 5th Grade Students –

On **Tuesday, January 11th at 7:00pm**, Mrs. Klawiter, the 6th Grade Counselor for the 2011-2012 school year, will present information regarding 6th grade course options and instructions for registering online. Parents are welcome. If possible, we respectfully request that students do not attend this evening presentation as they will be viewing the same presentation during the school day at their elementary school. (*NOTE – the start time is different from the presentation for the current 6th grader and current 7th grader presentation*).

During the month of January, Mrs. Klawiter will present to students information regarding 6th grade course options and instructions for registering online. At this time, students will receive a copy of the Middle School Course Description Guide, online registration directions, and a Course Selection Sheet.

Between Friday, January 21st and Tuesday, February 1st, students are expected to register online for their courses for the 2011-2012 school year. Students enrolling on the first or second day of the registration window will not receive a higher priority over those registering during the middle or end of the window. However, we do not advise waiting until the last weekend to register just in case there are technical difficulties.

After the online registration process is completed, students will need to complete their Course Selection Sheet, have it signed by a parent, and return it to their 5th Grade Classroom teacher by **Thursday, February 3rd**. In the event there is a discrepancy between the courses marked on the Course Selection Sheet and the courses selected online, then the school will use the choices marked on the Course Selection Sheet.

Please note that LaSalle will do its best to try and enroll students in the courses they have requested; *however*, there is no guarantee that a student will be enrolled in their first choice. Students who submit Course Selection Sheets after the due date will receive a lower priority for honoring that student's course requests.

As always, our school counselors are available to assist with questions regarding the 2011-2012 registration process.

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Dec. 30: New numbers for LaSalle Springs

Thanks to the 2010 voter-approved bond issue, LaSalle Springs Middle School is replacing its aged telephone and voicemail system with Voice over IP technology that includes 911 service.

Rockwood is implementing this new phone system in many Rockwood elementary and middle schools throughout the school year. This new phone system will provide the following benefits to our staff and community:

- **Improved system:** the aged phone systems that schools are currently using are updated, providing better phone service and connections
- **Emergency Responder:** the enhanced phone system improves service to emergency responders ~ keeping everyone in the communication loop

How will it work?

LaSalle Springs has a new phone number: (636) 733-4200 that replaces the old number of (636) 938-2425 .
The school fax number will remain the same: (636) 938-2434.

Please be sure to make note of the new number, and add it to the contact list in your phone.

Each of the school's offices, teachers and support staff will have his or her own five-digit extension.

During the school day, parents may call the main office number and reach our friendly office staff. As usual, they will answer your questions and assist with your requests for information.

After school, you can dial the main number and then the staff member's extension to leave a message. Staff members will return calls as soon as possible the next day.

Remember the date: December 30

Remember the number: (636) 733-4200

In addition, the school will have some direct dial phone numbers for the convenience of our parents. Contact the staff members in these departments by calling this direct phone line:

Main School Number:	733-4200
Attendance Hotline:	733-4215
Registrar:	733-4220
Guidance Secretary:	733-4225
Leigh Klawiter, Guidance (grade 8):	733-4228
Jill Mueth, Guidance (grade 7):	733-4227
Alice Patton, Guidance (grade 6):	733-4226
Cafeteria Manager:	733-4210
Custodian:	733-4216
Library Front Desk:	733-4219
School Nurse:	733-4208 or 733-4207

All new LaSalle phone numbers will continue to be in the 636 area code.

What happens if I call the old phone number?

During the first weeks of the phone transition, the old phone number will automatically rollover to the new phone number. After this initial rollover, parents who call the old phone number will hear a recording. It will provide the new phone number and ask them to please hang up and dial it.

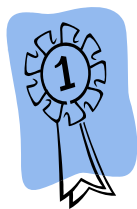
Find teacher and staff member extensions on the "Faculty and Staff" link on the LaSalle Springs website: www.rockwood.k12.mo.us/lasalle.

Rockwood Mission: We do whatever it takes to ensure all students realize their potential.



January Word of the Month: **Cooperation***"Light is the task when many share the toil."*

—Homer

**LSMS IS PROUD TO ANNOUNCE
STUDENTS SELECTED AS
"NOVEMBER" STUDENTS
OF THE MONTH****STUDENT OF
THE MONTH****SEARCHERS***Ryan Giesing
Santara Jones***SEEKERS***Grant Campbell
Samantha Buchanan***DREAM TEAM***Arden Short
Drew Albert***OLYMPIC TEAM***Jordan Jones
Isabel Maldonado***EXPLORERS***Jackson Aubrey
Caitlyn Meiser***VOYAGERS***Bradon Cross
Mackenzie Sherman***ADVENTURERS***Daniel Shelton***PE STUDENT
OF THE MONTH****COACH BORZILLO***Ryan Giesing
Emily Grossnicklaus***COACH STIEFER***Tori Kettenacker
Samuel Maitland***COACH GRIFFING***Alyssa Cheney
Adam Vorel***COACH WALZ***Lauren Allman
Joshua Spence***COACH WHITE***Chaun Smith
Brittany Chestnut***COACH WRIGHT***Cameron Nisbet
Kaylen Sapp***WONDERFUL WILDCATS**

1. **Jacob Detering, Luke Detering, Christian Mannecke and Hunter Smith.** These sixth graders in Boy Scout Troop 456 have earned the ranks of Scout, Tenderfoot and Second Class and are currently working on the First Class Rank. Nice job boys!
2. Sixth grader **Jacob Gabel** and his hockey team, the Chesterfield Falcons Pee Wee A1, won the Wishbone Invitational tournament championship in Chicago. Way to go Jacob!
3. **Allison Tomnitz**, an eighth grader has earned her 2nd degree black belt in Karate which includes intense physical testing and perseverance. Congratulations Allison!
4. In December several LaSalle Springs students took part in the annual Rockwood Bowling Tournament. LSMS had 2 students place within the top four spots per grade level.
Seventh Grade **Jade Sterling**—4th place
Eighth Grade **Andrea Weber**—1st place
Nice job to all LSMS bowlers!
5. **Will Henderson**—This seventh grader was nominated for the St. Louis Blues Player of the Month. Will was recognized at a Blue's game in December as a nominee for displaying exceptional character traits..

**STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS
2010-2011**

- Students dismissed at 11:15 AM
- Worthwhile activities take place in the morning.
- Great times for afternoon dental appointments and "family time."
- LSMS is still linked to our feeder elementary schools.
- The remaining dates are:

Friday, Jan 14—A	Thursday, Apr 21—B
Friday, Feb 18—A	Wednesday, May 11—B
Wednesday, Mar 9—A	

CARING WILDCAT COMMUNITY

- The PTO mitten/gloves/scarves and hat tree was a big success! Thanks to everyone who donated items to help decorate the tree with warm items for those less fortunate! All is appreciated!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- LaSalle Springs will be sponsoring "Pennies for Patients." All proceeds will go to Leukemia/Lymphoma Society. Stay tuned for more details.
- FCA is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive at LaSalle Springs Middle School on Tuesday, February 8th from 3 – 7 p.m. in the commons.





NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY

Applications will be available in February for NJHS for the 2011-2012 school year. It is only open to current 6th and 7th graders who have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or better. Any student who is a leader and has community service is encouraged to apply. Be looking to the February newsletter and team newsletters for more information!

TREND sponsors....

LSMS BEST DANCE CREW

On January 27th, 2011 LSMS students will be showing off their best dance moves. TREND will be sponsoring the LSMS BEST DANCE CREW event. Students are currently gathering their groups and choreographing their routines. We can't wait to see all of the talent that we have walking our hallways. Students are to sign up and turn in their permission slips to Mrs. Delmain or Mrs. Kloepfel. Dress rehearsal is January 24th. Sign up forms are located on the intramural sign up board. Students who would like to attend the performance can make a donation of one canned good or \$2.00 which will go to a local food pantry. We are very excited about this event.

STAFF NEWS

Congratulations go out to the following staff members who were recognized at the December Staff meeting.



The Character Education Gold Cup went to Steve Werges—6th Grade Math Teacher.

The Home Run Hero award went to Officer Dan Smythe—School Resource Officer.



DO YOU HAVE A 2011-2012 SIXTH GRADER?

The parent night for incoming 6th graders is Tuesday, January 11, 7:00 pm at LaSalle Springs. Our sixth grade counselor for the 11-12 school year, Mrs. Leigh Klawiter, will host an informative evening for parents about sixth grade life at LSMS. She will also be visiting the elementary schools during the school day to deliver a similar presentation for the students. The class registration materials (Middle School Course Description Guides, Course Selection Forms, On-Line Registration directions, and permission slips for Band, Choir, and Orchestra) will be distributed during the student presentation. These presentations will take place on the following dates:

Blevins	January 12
Eureka	January 13
Geggie	January 19
Pond	January 13
Ridge Meadows	January 7

INCLEMENT WEATHER ADVISORY

School closings or early school dismissals due to inclement weather will be announced on the Rockwood web site www.rockwood.k12.mo.us as soon as the decision is made. In addition, parents can find accurate information about district school closings on the following radio and television stations:

KMOX 1120 (AM)
KTVI Channel 2/11
KMOV Channel 4
KSDK Channel 5



Parents will also receive an **Alert Now** voice notification message. This message will be sent to your primary household phone. Your caller ID will display the school's main number. **Important: The successful delivery of information is dependent upon accurate contact information obtained from school records. If your household/emergency contact information changes, please let our school registrar know as soon as possible.**

The Wildcat Word... from the PTO
LaSalle Springs Middle School Parent Teacher Organization
January 2011



Welcome to 2011 Parents!

We are so glad to have you back and hope that you and your family were able to enjoy some wonderful time together! The year is still flying by - warm weather will be here before you know it (hopefully!) Can you tell I'm originally from the South? Haven't quite gotten used to the cold even after 15 years in St Louis! Stay warm and stay safe in bad weather!

There are still a lot of opportunities to get involved at LaSalle - so check out this newsletter or take a look at our PTO Webpage! You can always contact me personally if you want more information or guidance in choosing an avenue that's right for you!

Happy New Year to you all!

Colette Tresslar
LSMS PTO President

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Reading mentors:

Lots of reading partners are still needed! All it takes is 20 minutes per week to listen to a child read & share your love of reading with him or her. Great for parents, grandparents or local friends! Contact Julie Adams at adamsjulie@rockwood.k12.mo.us for more information.

Book Fair:

Lots of Book Fair volunteers are needed on Feb. 25th for set up and then Feb. 28th - March 4th during the book fair. Contact Michelle Clausius at mclausius@gmail.com if you are able to lend a helping hand.

Conference meals:

Meals will be provided for teachers during conferences on Feb. 10th and 15th. If you would like to donate food please contact Becky Brems at beckybrems@yahoo.com

Literacy Night:

Committee members are needed to help organize- LaSalle Loves Literacy Night on March 3rd at 6pm. This is a great night for the Eureka community to come celebrate their love of reading! There will be activities for kids of all ages. Please contact Colette Tresslar at colettetresslar@gmail.com if you would like to be a part of this great event.

The Wildcat Word... from the PTO
LaSalle Springs Middle School Parent Teacher Organization
January 2011 (continued)



Box Top Contest!!

With the Holiday Baking Season upon us now is a great time to start saving box tops!

The PTO will be sponsoring a “team” box top competition.

Starting January 1st students can turn in box tops to their team teachers. The team with the most box tops will be treated to snow cones!

Collections will take place until February 1st.

LaSalle earns 10 cents for each box top! This is great way to raise money for our school.

PTO WEBSITE INFORMATION:

There have been some technical issues with the website approval system, so instead of being able to update the PTO homepage monthly, we will now have to provide a semester list!

The PTO website homepage will soon be updated to include all PTO events for second semester. This is a great place to find out about upcoming events. Be sure to check it out.

www.rockwood.k12.mo.us/lasalle/pto



Make Plans for the Third Annual

Middle School Trivia Night

Sponsored By
Wednesday Club of Eureka

Proceeds will fund a college scholarship
for a Eureka High School senior

Friday, January 28th, 6 - 10 p.m.
Eureka Community Center
333 Bald Hill Road

Put together your table of 8 to 10
\$10 per person
Tables Limited!!

Soda & Nachos \$1 each
Nachos Supreme \$2 each
Light Snacks Provided
*Please no outside food or drinks

1st and 2nd place CASH prizes
Fabulous Raffle Prizes
2 Raffle Tickets for \$1
12 for \$5
28 for \$10

To Sign Up

Registration Form on
Back

Bring your \$\$ for Mulligans
(pay for free answers!)

Help
Support
Eureka Food Pantry!

Table with the most
canned goods wins a
prize!!

Games!
Random Raffles!!
Music

Must pre-register!
Forms and information at
www.wednesdayclubeureka.com

Call **Angie Ewers** at 938-4631 with
questions or for more information

Wednesday Club of Eureka
Middle School Trivia Night
Registration Form

Yes! Sign up my table of 8 to 10 people.

Contact Name/Team Captain _____ Phone _____
Email Address _____

Table Members Names

Name _____ Home Phone _____
Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Home Phone _____
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Payment Options:

Cash (Amount Enclosed) _____ Checks to: WEDNESDAY CLUB OF EUREKA,

Send Registration Form and Payment to:

Angie Ewers

319 Clara

Eureka, MO 63025 636.938.4631

Questions:

www.wednesdayclubeureka.com

*If you are registering a table of 8 to 10, you must turn in your registration for each table member and payment at the same time. If not registering a table of 8 to 10, you will be assigned a table prior to your arrival. Once children are checked into Trivia Night, they will not be allowed to leave until an adult picks them up.

Rockwood Freezes Some Salaries and Reduces Staffing for FY12

During a Dec. 16 meeting, the Rockwood Board of Education provided direction to district administrators regarding cost reductions to balance the FY12 school district budget. Reductions included the following:

- Freezing salaries for administrators and support staff not covered by existing negotiated agreements
- Reducing middle school staffing points by six
- Reducing high school staffing points by eight



“These are difficult economic times, and our schools are feeling the effects,” says Rockwood Superintendent Dr. Bruce Borchers. “Trimming more than \$7 million from an already lean budget is a challenge that is requiring some tough decisions. The salary freeze and staffing cuts will be a hard hit for our community.”

A complete list of the proposed cost reductions is available on the Rockwood website. Cost reduction ideas were generated through a stakeholder input process that involved parents, staff and the community. In addition, the Board reviewed opportunities to generate revenue, and they provided direction to increase the following fees:

- Full-day kindergarten tuition from \$3,450 to \$3,625
- High school parking fees from \$100 to \$180
- Football and basketball gate fees to attend high school sports from \$3 to \$5

Shirley Broz, Chief Financial and Legislative Affairs Officer, noted, “The measures we’re taking are not long-term solutions. While this budget development process is coming to a conclusion, we are preparing for the next phase of this work – a potential tax rate increase in November 2011.”

The combination of the proposed cost reductions, revenue generation and fund balance transfers achieves a balanced budget for FY12 as noted below:

Strategies	Proposed Savings
Cost Reductions: Options 1 and 2	\$5,342,660
Revenue Generation	\$440,000
Fund Balance	\$2,092,930
TOTAL	\$7,875,590

As next steps, the Board asked for more information on other opportunities for proposed revenue generation, including senior incentive, pay-to-play fees for MSHSAA sports and transportation. Rockwood has been following a Guiding Change process to enable the Board to make informed decisions about the upcoming budget.

View all information on www.rockwood.k12.mo.us/guidingchange.



2011 ROSE Awards

The ROSE Award is one of Rockwood’s highest honors and is given to individuals who show excellence of character, leadership, performance and service. Anyone can nominate an outstanding teacher, parent, administrator, community member or support staff for this exclusive award.

Look for ROSE Award nomination forms on the Rockwood website beginning Jan. 4. The deadline for completing nominations is Jan. 26. Find more information on www.rockwood.k12.mo.us/rose.

Rockwood Mission: We do whatever it takes to ensure all students realize their potential.





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In Honor of Our Veterans and Service Men and Women, we would like to dedicate the morning Pledge of Allegiance to veterans and those currently serving our country in the armed forces. If you have someone you would like to honor in this way please fill out the following information and return to the school office. Thanks.

Name of Veteran or Service Person _____

Branch of Military _____

Veteran or Currently Serving (Please Circle)

Submitted by _____ Relationship to Honoree _____



