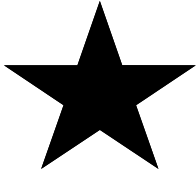




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Rockwood Valley Middle School



A Missouri Gold Star School  
A United States Blue Ribbon School



## A Letter from Dr. Loiterstein...

February, 2012

Dear Rockwood Valley Community:

When you send your middle school student off to school each morning, we hope it's not a mystery to you what they're doing all day. They are, of course, engaged in learning throughout the day...every other day in their core studies, and every day in their electives. There are social times between classes, at lunch, and sometimes during class assignments. We have the opportunity to see their productivity and zest for learning throughout the day, and we are also keenly aware that when they get home and you ask them what they did that day, the answer is often "nothing." You wouldn't have to spend much time looking at our students' individual and group accomplishments to see that this isn't the case!

We hope that you will spend an evening with us on February 7<sup>th</sup> or 15<sup>th</sup> for Parent-Teacher Conferences. Spring conferences typically have fewer attendees than Fall conferences, and we hope to reverse that trend. This time of the year provides a great opportunity to share information with teachers and let them do the same with you as we look forward to having a strong finish to the school year. With positive, two-way communication, we can set our students up for success during second semester and provide them with a stronger foundation for next year. Additional information regarding conferences can be found inside this newsletter.

We feel extremely fortunate to have such a supportive and involved parent community. We appreciate the great kids that you send us each day and genuinely enjoy working with them. We hope to see you at Conferences, and whether or not you're able to make it on one of those nights, we're just a phone call, e-mail, or a visit away.

Sincerely,

Andrew Loiterstein  
Principal

*"It's not that I'm so smart,  
it's just that I stay with problems longer."  
~Albert Einstein*

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### Dates to Remember

- Quarter 3 Progress Reports were available on Infinite Campus—  
Thursday, February 2
- Parent-Teacher Conferences:  
Tuesday, February 7, 2012  
Wednesday, February 15, 2012



## Around Rockwood Valley



### Word of the Month

#### PERSEVERANCE/EFFORT

Perseverance/effort (noun) - striving toward a goal despite challenges.

*"Nobody trips over mountains. It's the small pebble that causes you to stumble. Pass all the pebbles in your path and you will find you have crossed the mountain."*

~Author Unknown

#### Positive Office Referrals

Congratulations to the following students who received positive office referrals:

Jakob Molskness, Kayla Smith

#### St. Louis Cardinals and RVMS

This has been a winning combination over the years. Did you know that the St. Louis Cardinals have won over 95% of their games when the RVMS Band performed the National Anthem? The RVMS Band has been invited to perform again for the 2012 season. The game is Friday, September 7 when the Cardinals face the Brewers.



#### KORT and Honor Roll

Soon we will be announcing both new and continuing Knights of the Round Table (KORT) students. Those lists will be in a future *Knight-line*. The KORT ceremony for new inductees is Thursday, February 23, 2012, at 7pm at Rockwood Valley.

Congratulations also to those students who made the quarter 2 honor rolls. Those lists are in this newsletter on pages 6 through 8.

#### MAP Testing is Coming Up Soon

Sixth, seventh and eighth graders will participate in Missouri Assessment Program (MAP) testing Monday, April 2 through Friday, April 27. Teachers and students have been working diligently all year to prepare for these important tests.

In order to maintain the best possible testing environment for all students, we ask that parents not schedule student absences during testing. Thank you! Your cooperation is appreciated. With your help, students will, once again, "Test best at RVMS!"

#### Parent-Teacher Conferences

Tuesday, February 7, 3:30-7pm  
Wednesday, February 15, 3:30-7pm

Teachers will meet with parents on a first come, first serve basis. It is recommended that parents of students with last names A-L attend on the 7th, while M-Z should attend on the 15th. Thank you.



#### January 2012 Students of the Month

Evan Hubert—6 Black  
Emily Alvarez—6 Red  
Kari Creighton—7 Black  
Clayton Mathison—7 Red  
Clayton Meuret—8 Black  
Emma Broz—8 Red  
Brandon Slater—6 World Language  
Keilah Moore—7 World Language  
Saaraa Juddha—8 World Language  
Michael Hui—6 Physical Education/Health  
Kelsey Cuggino—7 Physical Education/Health  
Trevor McMurray—8 Physical Education/Health  
Ben Russell—6 Music  
Zach Janicki—7 Music  
Madeline Narducci—8 Music  
Rene` Ruppert—6 Practical Arts  
Sean Keegans—7 Practical Arts  
Madison Laudeman—8 Practical Arts  
Oliver Rolfe—6 Fine Arts  
Hannah Agolia—7 Fine Arts  
Colt Love—8 Fine Arts

### Band Solo and Ensemble Group Info

Solo and Ensemble groups are beginning to form. These groups may be just for fun, or may eventually participate in the SLSMEA Solo and Ensemble Festival in April. If your child is interested in a fun and exciting challenge, see Mr. Menner for more details.



### Sai Allu, Spelling Bee Champ

The annual RVMS Spelling Bee was held on Wednesday, January 25. Participants represented every Language Arts class at RVMS. Congratulations to Sai Allu who finished the competition in first place and will represent RVMS at the regional spelling bee. Congratulations also to Maddie Mullen, our runner-up.

The following Spelling Bee participants were classroom winners:

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Nick Bax, Annie Moorkamp, Isabelle Snyder, Katherine Karsten, Rashelle Johnson, Katherine Wuesthoff, Mason Hylla, Ty Prozorowski, Rhiannon Moore, Kiley Black, Elicia Malak, Charlotte Komrosky-Licata, Allison Palmer, Andrew Schoenfelder

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Christian Oliver, Dawson Albright, Sai Allu, Griffin Sauter, Chloe Descher, Max Miller, Maddie Mullen, Emma Wahl, Tommy Taylor, Alan Islas-Malanco, Shreyas Maddi, Nick DeFrancesco, Daniel Young, Omair Habib

#### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Andrew Jones-Moriarity, Madison Kraemer, Art Kumthekar, Sebastian Lekkerkerker, Alex Ehmke, Alex Aivaliotis, Eleutherios Gialouris, Isabella Morton, Aaron Chang, Claire Moore, Caitlin Birenbaum, Nathan Williams, Austin Stoecker, Brianna Gigliotti, Shavonna Shelby

### Band Large Group Festival

The Concert Band will participate in the St. Louis Music Educator's Large Group Festival on Tuesday, March 6, 2012. The band will travel to a local high school and perform their selections for adjudicators who will then give them a rating on their performance. Good luck, band!



### St. Louis Suburban Honor Band Concert

Chloe Descher, Nick Holt, Kyle Murden, and Melissa Northern performed as part of the St. Louis Suburban Middle School Honor Band on Sunday, January 8 at Ladue High School. These students spent many hours preparing for this concert that featured a variety of musical styles. Congratulations, students!

### Two Reminders for Students

Students should not bring valuables to RVMS. Students who do bring valuables do so at their own risk.

Also, students are reminded that cell phones that are brought to school must be turned off and kept in lockers during the school day. Students whose cell phones cause a disruption during the school day will be subject to discipline consequences.

### Jake Zickrick, Bowling Champ

Congratulations to Jake Zickrick! He is the Rockwood sixth grade bowling champion. Jake bowled games of 174 and 173 for a total of 347 pins at the Rockwood Middle School Bowling Tourney. Jake is our first ever bowling champion at Rockwood Valley. Way to go, Jake!



### RVMS Magazine Drive

The annual magazine drive at RVMS begin with grade level assemblies on Thursday, February 16. If you have subscriptions to renew or you would like to subscribe to a new magazine, please order from your child.

The third turn-in day for orders is Friday, March 2. The last day to turn in orders at school will be Wednesday, March 7, but parents may still order online after that date.



### Notes from the Nurse

Cold and flu season is not yet over and spring time allergies are just around the corner. Thank you for reinforcing the need for proper hand washing and prevention of the spread of illness at home. It has been a long cold weather season but our efforts have been successful with fewer missed school days due to illnesses. Please also continue to remind your child to have an extra sweatshirt available for those cold times when buses are delayed or when PE takes advantage of warmer but still cool weather to take students outside. Having breakfast also helps to keep students warm and their metabolisms ready for the challenge of a long school day. Getting to school early on a cold, dark winter day is challenging for anyone and breakfast is not always high on the list. Did you know that breakfast is available for students here at RVMS? Check the Rockwood website for menu options at [www.rockwood.k12.mo.us](http://www.rockwood.k12.mo.us).

“Give Kids A Smile” (GKAS) provides free, comprehensive dental care for children in need of help obtaining dental care. The service is taking appointments for a clinic to be held on Friday and Saturday, February 10 and 11, 2012 at St. Louis University Center for Advanced Dental Education at 3320 Rutger Street, St. Louis 63156. Visit their website, [www.GiveKidsASmile.org](http://www.GiveKidsASmile.org) or call 636-397-6453 for more information.

From the Rockwood Health and Safety website; “Rockwood Drug-Free Coalition provides leadership, education and resources to prevent and address substance abuse and unhealthy choices among Rockwood youth. Funding is provided through a federal Drug-Free Communities grant award, as well as additional state and regional grant awards and in-kind contributions from many community partners.

Please consider joining us in our efforts to create and maintain safe schools and neighborhoods. For a list of upcoming meetings go to [www.rockwood.k12.mo.us/drugfree/Pages/CalendarofEvents.aspx](http://www.rockwood.k12.mo.us/drugfree/Pages/CalendarofEvents.aspx)

Parents of seventh grade students, please be aware that state immunization requirements now include a tdap or whooping cough vaccination before eighth grade. Please consult your child’s pediatrician for any needed immunizations at their next scheduled appointment.



### Counselors’ Corner

Enrollment for the next school year is officially over. Enrollment forms were due by February 1.

We are partnering with a local organization to present to Rockwood Valley students seventh and eighth graders on the “Signs of Suicide”. In addition, we will also have a presentation for parents; please join us for a preview of the information that will be given to students, including the signs of depression, risk factors for suicidal behaviors, and resources for assistance.

- Wednesday, February 1 – Parent Presentation; 9:30am and 7pm (same program)
- Wednesday/Thursday, February 8/9 – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Presentations through PE Classes
- Monday/Tuesday, February 13/14 – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Presentations for Mr. Garry’s PE Classes
- Tuesday/Wednesday, February 21/22 – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Presentations for Mr. Walter’s and Mr. Bottorff’s PE Classes

#### Other Upcoming Events

Counselor Coffee: On Wednesday, February 22, Rockwood Valley will host a Counselor Coffee. Dr. Jill Mueth will present on “Raising Kids From The Inside Out” from 9 until 11 a.m.

Eighth Grade Students: Career Fair Field Trip, February 29. Students will be expected to wear ‘professional dress’. Please talk with your child about this and help them to plan ahead for this event. Permission slips are due back to school by February 17.

<http://www.rockwood.k12.mo.us/rvalley/offices/guidance/Pages/default.aspx>

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### ELL Testing in Rockwood

English Language Learners (ELLs) in grades K-12 in the Rockwood School District will be tested with the WIDA ACCESS, an English Language Proficiency Test, January 17 through February 24, 2012.

The ACCESS test was selected by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) to meet the requirement of No Child Left Behind. It measures the annual progress that Missouri ELLs are making in listening, speaking, reading, and writing the English language. Reports on the students' progress will be provided to the district, state, and federal government in late April or May.

Have you been wondering what makes a student eligible for ESOL? A Home Language Survey Form (Title VI NCLB) is completed when a student enrolls in a school. Students are identified as English Language Learners if 1) the student's native language is not English or 2) a language other than English is spoken in the student's home or environment. These responses on the Home Language survey indicate that the student is eligible for English proficiency testing. Based on the test results, the district may provide the student with ELL services.



### Alex Avaliotos , RVMS Geography Bee Champ

Congratulations to Alex Avaliotis, this year's RVMS Geography Bee champion, and to the following students who were winners of their classroom competitions.

- Alex Aivaliotis (8 Black)
- Nolan Corker (7 Black)
- Kate Mullen (7 Black)
- Clare Bueckendorf (7 Black)
- Kyle Murden (8 Black)
- Drew Linsenhardt (8 Black)
- Nathan Frederickson (8 Red)
- Callahan McAndrew (8 Red)
- Jacob Barger (8 Red)
- Ethan Tweed (7 Red)
- Will Schatz (7 Red)
- Nick Emms (7 Red)



### RSD Volleyball Tournament

Congratulations to all six champion Rockwood Valley volleyball teams that participated in the Rockwood Tournament on Saturday, January 21, at Rockwood Summit High School. Each team went undefeated in their respective tournaments against the other Rockwood middle schools, and they represented RVMS with exceptional sportsmanship.

The teams were coached by PE/Health teachers Kelly Carmody, Bill Garry, Sue Tillery, and Tim Walters.

The students who competed were as follows:

#### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Alex Adams, Hayden Bollinger, Blane Besse-Morris, Alec Byous, Meg Conroy, Dominic Deprospero, Kelli Ellis, Marissa Gianino, Hailey Hill, Hannah Jozwiakowski, KK Kantouth, Maddie Kraemer, Sofia Orlando, Wiatt Thissen, Kathryn Wesolich, Tommy Williams

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Casey Carpenter, Logan Coffman, Alex Gettinger, Grace Mandis, Abigail Morrissey, Jarid Morton, Emelie Orlando, Logan Panchot, Ryan Panzitta, Jack Riney, Jack Rymer, Hailey Schue, Jessica Smith, Emma Twombly, Josh Varnadore, Emily Wescott

#### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Meredith Binnette, Ben Bollinger, Patrick Carney, Miles Gagnepain, Anthony Gianino, Jayme Henderson, Morgan Kantouth, Jenny Kohl, DJ Moll, Abbey Parker, Dylan Quisenberry, Shaye Sellers, Keely Sweet, Daniel Wag-ganer

### Book Fair Dates and Hours of Operation

- Tuesday, February 7—7am until end of PT conferences (7pm)
- Wednesday, February 8—7am until end of school day (2:22pm)
- Thursday, February 9 and Friday, February 10—7am until end of school day (2:22pm)
- Monday, February 13 and Tuesday, February 14—7am until start of school day (7:30am)
- Wednesday, February 15—7am until end of PT conferences (7pm)



## Quarter 2 Sixth Grade Honor Rolls

**3.5-4.0**

\*denotes 4.0

Arielle Admonius  
 Christian Alexander\*  
 Emily Alvarez\*  
 Sarah Aydi  
 Madison Balice  
 Morgan Balice  
 Aaron Bi  
 Kiley Black\*  
 Neely Bly  
 Rohan Bohra  
 Samuel Bounds  
 James Bowman  
 Parker Bray\*  
 Daniel Brown\*  
 Kelly Campbell  
 Cameron Carpenter  
 Molly Carrier\*  
 Erin Carroll  
 Noah Chapin  
 Jordan Christian  
 Connor Church  
 Kristen Clark\*  
 Bessie Conner-Switzer  
 Meghan Conroy\*  
 Andrea Corkal  
 Nicholas Corker  
 Kathryn Craddock  
 Rachel Churn\*  
 Linda Crothers  
 Sereen Daoud

Elissa Degraw  
 Patricia Denn  
 Jaclyn Deters  
 Isabel Donovan  
 Abigail Duesenberg  
 Andrew Duke  
 Jack Duncan  
 Shea Eckert\*  
 Kelli Ellis  
 Grace Evans  
 Rachel Ferguson  
 Noah Fine  
 Nicholas Flynn  
 Garrett Fox\*  
 Carly Fulmer  
 Calia Gammill  
 Adam Gass  
 Merry Gebel  
 William Gerretsen  
 Marissa Gianino  
 Molly Gilbride  
 John Gorham  
 Emma Grant\*  
 Stephen Gross  
 Grace Gundlach\*  
 Alyssa Hahn  
 Myiah Hall  
 Allison Harrell  
 Lydia Harris\*  
 Samantha Hegger  
 Jacob Hewlett  
 Victor Higginbotham  
 Dalia Hocine  
 Margarita Hoffman  
 David Hofstetter  
 Evan Hubert

Mason Hylla  
 Uchechukwu Ijei  
 Grant Janicki  
 Brett Jennings  
 Aaliyah Johnson  
 Rashelle Johnson  
 Aaron Jones-Moriarity\*  
 Hannah Jozwiakowski\*  
 Kailey Kantouth  
 Caroline Karsten  
 Katherine Karsten  
 Erin Keiter  
 Andrew Keithley  
 Charlotte Komrosky-  
 Licata  
 Eileen Kosola  
 Madeline Kraemer\*  
 Jacob Krieger  
 Wyatt Kurtz  
 Sydney Linsenbardt  
 Jacob Listerman\*  
 Lori Lohmann  
 Elicia Malak  
 Annie Maloney  
 Jacqueline Matthew  
 Alyssa Mattler  
 Victoria Meuret  
 Dylan Minichiello  
 Jakob Molskness\*  
 Rhiannon Moore  
 Zachary Naert  
 Maxwell Nickerson  
 Madigan O'Keefe  
 Sofia Orlando\*  
 Nassim Oufattole  
 Allison Palmer

Franceska Petrosino  
 Lili Petrowsky\*  
 Ava Pokoski  
 Cierra Presson  
 Gehrig Prozorowski\*  
 Ty Prozorowski\*  
 Anika Pulumati  
 Lina Qi  
 John Rahal  
 Audrey Ramey\*  
 Adnaan Raza  
 Jillian Reando  
 Kaley Recke  
 Melanie Reichert  
 Emily Reid\*  
 Mollie Rogan\*  
 Claire Rougeau  
 Nina Ruan  
 Rene' Ruppert  
 Benjamin Russell\*  
 Paige Sanfelippo\*  
 Jessica Santoso  
 Laila Sauer  
 Raven Schad  
 Kelly Schaschl\*  
 Catherine Schrichte  
 Nicolas Schweikert  
 Alyssa Serafin\*  
 Sahil Shah  
 Katelyn Skoba\*  
 Brandon Slater  
 London Smith  
 Natalie Snitzer  
 Isabelle Snyder\*  
 Cole Staehling  
 Olivia Stebner\*

Charles Stout\*  
 Angelina Stroud  
 Katie Sulzner\*  
 Bennett Tabor  
 Philip Tannfelt\*  
 Clara Tarpey  
 Willem Thissen  
 Scott Thoeke\*  
 Paeten Timmermann  
 Jamie Tobben  
 Rebecca Treat  
 Morgan Trost  
 Emma Upbin  
 Connor Utech  
 Edward Vakula\*  
 Lauren Waggoner  
 Kevin Wahle\*  
 Drake Waidmann  
 Megan Walker\*  
 Lucille Warren  
 Kathryn Wesolich  
 Abigail West\*

**3.0-3.499**

Alex Adams  
 Lauren Ashworth  
 Jack Bailey  
 Caleb Barnes  
 Blake Blechle  
 Hayden Bollinger  
 Connor Bond  
 Mason Bond  
 Emily Brisotti  
 Rachel Brodsky  
 Alec Byous  
 Claire Caubre  
 Sofia Ceresia  
 Clark Cohen  
 Nicholas Colvin

Dominic Deprospero  
 Andrew Diazdeleon  
 Kyle Donahue  
 Michael Drbul  
 Allison Drooger  
 Caitlin Farrell  
 Briana Garcia  
 Austin Gibson  
 Lily Glazer  
 Bobbi Graves  
 Melanie Green  
 Emma Harris  
 Hailey Hill  
 Michael Hui  
 Camden Jaggie  
 Elizabeth Johnson  
 Sean Jones-Moriarity  
 Mason Kolb  
 Montana Krieger

Tyler Lutz  
 Madison MacRae  
 Marissa McCarthy  
 Tyler Meadows  
 Anthony Michaels  
 Annie Moorkamp  
 Ali Nekar  
 Elizabeth Norman  
 Stephen Randazzo  
 Jacob Reeves  
 Carter Rega  
 Andrew Schoenfelder  
 Christian Schweikert  
 Ethan Shaffer  
 Brendan Shannon  
 Alexandra Sigman  
 Corryne Sontag  
 David Strobel  
 Luke Underwood

Quentin Van Buren  
 Jacqueline Walter  
 Katherine Wuesthoff  
 Jake Zickrick



## Quarter 2 Seventh Grade Honor Rolls

**3.5-4.0**

*\*denotes 4.0*

Hannah Agolia\*  
Sai Allu\*  
Dominique Anderson  
Aly Bany\*  
Nicole Barnes  
Emelia Boillat\*  
Eric Bonney  
Lauren Bower  
Bryan Buchholz  
Clare Bueckendorf\*  
Casey Carpenter\*  
Mythri Chitithoti\*  
Michael Christian  
Logan Coffman  
Sari Cohen  
Aaron Collier\*  
Nolan Corker\*  
Kari Creighton\*  
Morgan Croarkin\*  
Kelsey Cuggino  
Emma Decker\*  
Nicholas DeFrancesco  
Chloe Descher\*  
Akhil Devulapalli\*  
Megan Dill  
Sarah Dobson\*  
Hannah Eckhard\*  
Joshua Edwards\*  
Natalie Elser\*  
Neslihan Erisgen

Michelle Fan\*  
Nicholas Fechter  
Drew Feltz  
Matthew Ference\*  
Madison Filley  
Hannah Flowers  
Eric Frings  
Alex Gettinger\*  
Hannah Geurkink  
Kendall Goedeke\*  
Omair Habib  
Taylor Hand  
Aubree Hardesty  
Taylor Hensley  
Nava Hojreh  
Julia Holdmeyer  
David Holmes  
Clayton Hornberger  
Aaron Hoyt\*  
Callandra Hudak\*  
Alan Islas-Malanco  
Alyssa Jackson  
Zachary Janicki  
Camilla Kachar\*  
Jiho Kahng  
Sean Keegans  
Lauren Kessler  
Courtney Klohmann  
Ashley Kneemueller\*  
Srikanth Kommarreddy  
Olivia Korenfeld  
Sophie Korenfeld\*  
Carson Krone  
Thomas Laarman\*  
Benjamin Landauer  
Grace Laudeman

Julianna Lee  
Collin Limp  
Andrew Lucas  
Shreyas Maddi\*  
Grace Mandis  
Garrett Mangels  
Emily Mannion  
Jack Mazza\*  
Haley McAndrew\*  
Ryan McCarthy  
Samantha McCarthy  
Alianna McCormick\*  
Devon McCoy  
Gabrielle McCoy  
Emma McDonald  
Marlo McElroy\*  
Megan McFarland  
Benjamin McGuinness  
Jarod Mick  
Maxwell Miller  
Keilah Moore  
Zoe Moore\*  
Luke Morgan  
Kelly Morgan\*  
Nicole Morgenthaler\*  
Andrew Moser  
Madeline Mullen  
Kathryn Mullen\*  
Ian Murray  
Kerri Newcomer\*  
Margaret Nicholson  
Melissa Northem  
Ryan O'Connell  
Emelie Orlando\*  
Grant Oscarson  
Grant Palm

Marisa Panasci  
Logan Panchot\*  
Ryan Panzitta  
Steven Pennington  
Saria Peterson\*  
Kennedy Plant\*  
William Preckel  
Matt Ramirez  
Julia Rector\*  
Weston Reeves  
Cameron Reinisch  
Madison Ridgley  
Nicholas Roberts\*  
Grant Robinson  
Jaclyn Robinson\*  
Arya Royal  
Drew Ruesch  
Tori Ruesch\*  
Megan Rueschhoff  
Audrey Saunders\*  
Griffin Sauter  
Dominic Scaglione  
Dylan Schaschl  
William Schatz\*  
Meridith Schoening\*  
Justin Schreiner\*  
Barrett Schroeder  
Kelsey Short\*  
Jessica Smith\*  
Zachary Snarr  
Wade Stauss  
Lane Strotheide  
Katarina Stroud\*  
Sophia Swedberg\*  
Anna Tarpey  
Thomas Taylor

Abigail Trieschmann  
David Tuttle  
Ethan Tweed  
Mary Uebelein  
Sydney Uphoff  
Emma Wahl  
Emily Wescott\*  
Anna Wilhelm  
Jacob Williams\*  
Kaley Williams\*  
Danielle Wintermute  
Garrett Worley  
Austin Wright\*  
Erika Youngberg  
Allie Zimmerman

**3.0-3.499**

Christopher Amburn  
Nicholas Battle  
Gabriel Bierschenk  
Mackenzie Bowen  
Gabrielle Brewer  
Brittany Brown  
Taylor Byerly  
Scott Caraway  
Nicholas Catalano  
Nicolas Cleere  
Adam Cook  
Claire Duncan  
Nicholas Emms  
Emma Ferguson  
Grant Fox  
Zachary Freestone

Faith Frings  
Conrad Gaffney  
Joseph Gay  
Jordan Gray  
Valerie Gruender  
Brittan Haight  
Scott Hakmiller  
Maddie Hallums  
John Henneberry  
Brianna Hercher  
Christian Hollander  
Justin Houldsworth  
Steven Jin  
Kolbe Koziatsek  
Justin Lafrance  
Samuel Lagoy  
Elliana Levy  
Mackenzie Maislin  
Clayton Mathison

Anishika Montgomery  
Abigail Morrissey  
Jarid Morton  
Vanessa Noel  
Kathleen Norman  
Christian Oliver  
Karina Patel  
William Penney  
Lauren Pepper  
Jared Preete  
Jack Riney  
Jack Rymer  
Logan Salzman  
Millie Schofield  
Hailey Schue  
Keiasia Sims  
Daulton Sweeten  
Emma Twombly  
Joshua Varnadore

Allison Veesaert  
Matthew Walter  
Sami Willhite  
Daniel Young



## Quarter 2 Eighth Grade Honor Rolls

### 3.5-4.125

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Amanda Abd  
Maggie Ahlert  
Alex Aivaliotis  
Eleanor Alicea\*  
Annalise Alvarez\*  
Talia Aranda  
Caitria Arnold  
Karl Aston  
Kelsey Baich  
Usman Bajwa\*  
Austin Bartmess  
Chelsea Basore  
Elizabeth Beers  
Meredith Binnette  
Vincent Biondo  
Caitlin Birenbaum  
Harley Blackler\*  
Kirsty Bland  
Thomas Bolstad\*  
Grace Breiten  
Kylie Bring\*  
Nathan Brooks\*  
Emma Broz  
Gavin Bruns  
Molly Bunch  
Shannon Carney

Kelsey Chadwick  
Emily Chandler  
Aaron Chang\*  
Weston Charow  
Lauren Cherry\*  
William Cohen  
Jessica Collins  
Michael Collins  
Mitchell Congiu  
Owen Conrath  
Cassandra Deprospero  
Steven Donnelly  
Brock Ellis\*  
Kenzie Erickson  
Jarod Everett  
Nicole Farinella\*  
Ashley Flynn\*  
Christopher Foley\*  
Nathaniel Frederickson  
Miles Gagnepain  
Grace Gerretsen  
Eleutherios Gialouris  
Calvin Gilbride\*  
Alyssa Goedeker  
Taryn Griffey  
Taylor Grimm  
Tanner Grimm\*  
Jared Hagemeyer  
Kayla Hahn  
Alec Haines  
Clay Hallman  
Allison Hallums\*  
Yutong Han\*

Katie Hansen  
Kendall Hansen  
Kaila Helbig  
Jayme Henderson  
Madalynne Hendges  
Mindy Hennrich  
Stephanie Herbers\*  
Nicolas Holt\*\*  
Abby Howard  
Grey Huffines\*  
Massiel Islas-Malanco\*  
Makenzie Johnson  
Andrew Jones-Moriarity\*  
Caroline Jordan\*  
Elizabeth Joslyn\*  
Saaraa Juddha\*  
Raina Kabra  
Morgan Kantouth\*  
Riley Katsev  
Braeden Koester\*  
Jennifer Kohl  
Claire Kosola  
Madison Kraemer\*  
Elise Laarman  
Erica Lang  
Rachel Lang  
Madison Laudeman\*  
Benjamin Laves\*  
Jazmine Lich  
Ethan Lichvar  
Drew Linsenbardt  
David Liu  
Colt Love

Katherine Lucken  
Alayna Martin  
Destiny Mayes  
Callahan McAndrew  
Garrett McBay  
Margaret McDaniel  
Trevor McMurray  
Justin McMurtrey  
Molly Meyer\*  
Devin Meyrer  
Erik Miller\*  
Chase Mocerri  
Anna Mooney  
Claire Moore  
Colton Morgan  
Abigail Murphy  
Katherine Murphy  
Linnea Narducci\*  
Madeline Narducci\*  
Luke Neise\*  
Sarah Nicholson\*  
Caitlin Noles  
Peter Nowicke  
Hayley Ockerhausen\*  
Christopher O'Connor  
Kylie Peate  
Alex Piccinni  
Amory Platts  
Zachary Prescott  
Ryan Rigabar\*  
Frances Rogan\*  
Julia Romero\*  
Erin Rose\*

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Shaye Sellers  
Megan Stine\*  
Austin Stoecker\*  
Jordan Stout\*  
Paul Stricklin  
Laine Strobel  
Samuel Strobel  
Grace Strobel\*  
Keely Sweet\*  
Kinly Sweeten\*  
Charlotte Thissen  
David Thompson  
Jacob Tottleben\*  
Jessica Tremper  
Andrea Van House  
Daniel Wagganer  
Matthew Wahle  
Hannah Wegner  
Chloe Wessel  
Anna West\*  
Emily White  
Christian Wolk  
Kerri Wong  
Kaitlyn Wylie  
Katie Zimmerman

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Erica Anderson  
Stephanie Aven  
Amanda Beaton  
Joseph Bowen  
Rachel Brunts  
Patrick Carney  
Ethan Chapin  
Elaine Clifton  
Gregory Corkal  
Briana Cross  
James Daily  
Beesan Daoud  
Christopher DeAntoni  
Alexander Ehmke  
Thomas Feissle  
Mason Gervich

Hannah Gessner  
Anthony Gianino  
Brianna Gigliotti  
Caleigh Glazer  
Ziyuan Godwin  
Sara Green  
Mikayla Harris  
Sarah Harshman  
Liam Hayes  
Hibo Ismail  
Tyler Jennings  
Kaleea Johnson  
Jacob Kampf  
Kennedy Kuhlmann  
Atharva Kumthekar  
Vivienne Lear  
Sebastian Lekkerkerker  
Jordan Longstreth  
John Lower  
Samantha McDaris  
Clayton Meuret

Christopher Miller  
Dennis Moll  
True Morse  
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Lauren Overy  
Abigail Parker  
Sophia Pidcock  
Kasey Pyatt  
Michael Ray  
Megan Reichert  
Benjamin Reid  
Coriannis Robinson  
Jordan Rolfe  
Christopher Rubaie  
Ashlyn Savoy  
Olivia Schone  
Alex Schrichte  
Jameson Smith  
Ny'eilla Smith  
Christopher Stebner  
Sydney Stellern

Jackson Theobald  
Rachel Timms  
Joshua Waitsman  
Kennedy Windholz

## Rockwood Valley PSO Information

### Chairperson Wanted

The PSO Board is looking for a detailed oriented volunteer(s) to Chair or Co-Chair next fall's orientation. We've got lots of information to share to make this opportunity very manageable and flow as smoothly as possible.

If you or someone you know might be interested, please contact Jen Penney at [jenpenney@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jenpenney@sbcglobal.net) or 314-604-4050, or Anita Higginbotham at [higginba@aol.com](mailto:higginba@aol.com) or 636-346-8704.

### E-Scrip Cards

Did you know that you can earn cash back for RVMS by just doing what you normally do....grocery shopping? Remember to use your RVMS E-scrip card at Schnucks at checkout. It's that easy!

If you don't have one or have questions contact Katie Hand at [lkhand@sbcglobal](mailto:lkhand@sbcglobal)

### PAWSS Club

The PAWSS Club would like to send a very special thank you to everyone who donated supplies for the "Adopt a Pet" supply drive.

We collected numerous pet essentials, such as dog/cat food, litter, collars, leashes, toys, treats, beds, bowls, and blankets, which will help the CARE animal shelter provide these animals with a safe and warm winter.



### Band Clinics Scheduled in February

The Concert Band will receive rehearsal clinics from Joe Pappas the month of February. These will help prepare the Concert Band for the SLSMEA Band Festival in March. Please see the *Band Handbook* or website for the dates and times for all rehearsals.

Robert Sheldon is also scheduled to clinic all RVMS Bands on Friday, February 24, 2012. Mr. Sheldon has taught instrumental music in the Florida and Illinois public schools, and has served on the faculty of Florida State University. He is also the Concert Band Editor for Alfred Music Publishing. The RVMS Bands have performed some of his works in the past and the Cadet and Concert Band will study his compositions this year.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to meet and work with a well-respected clinician/adjudicator.

### STUCO Trivia Night at RVMS

The RVMS Student Council will be sponsoring a Trivia Night on Friday, March 2, from 7pm until 9am in the RVMS commons. Teams will consist of 6-8 students along with 1-2 adults. Each team should have a theme. Prizes will be given throughout the evening including door prizes, best table theme prizes, and prizes for the winning trivia team. Cost of the event is \$8 per team member. Adults are free. Teams are welcome to bring their own food and drinks.

### Missouri Truman Award Nominees

The Missouri Truman Award recognizes the best books for students in sixth, seventh, and eighth grade. The Truman Award nominees for 2012-2013 are listed below. We encourage all of our students to read at least one of these titles.

Bodeen, S.A. *The Gardener*  
 Carter, Ally. *Heist Society (Heist Society #1)*  
 Choat, Beth. *Soccerland*  
 Falls, Kat. *Dark Life (Dark Life #1)*  
 Henry, April. *Girl, Stolen*  
 Reichs, Kathy. *Virals*  
 Riordan, Rick. *The Lost Hero (The Heroes of Olympus #1)*  
 Shulman, Mark. *Scrawl*  
 Shulman, Polly. *The Grimm Legacy*  
 Shusterman, Neil. *Bruiser*  
 Sonnenblick, Jordan. *After Ever After*  
 White, Kiersten. *Paranormalcy (Paranormalcy #1)*

# Questions and Answers

## ABOUT THE BOND ISSUE



ROCKWOOD R-6 SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Voting Information

#### When is the election?

Tuesday, April 3, 2012. Polls are open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

#### Where can I vote?

Just prior to the Election, each registered voter will receive a postcard from the Election Office designating the polling place for the voter. In addition, you can find your polling place at <http://www.stlouisco.com/YourGovernment/Elections>.

#### Who may vote?

Any Rockwood resident who is a registered voter may vote in this election. Anyone needing to register to vote, or needing to update voter registration, information may do so at:

- any Rockwood school
- any St. Louis County library
- any City Hall, or
- online at [www.stlouisco.com](http://www.stlouisco.com)

The deadline for processing registrations and reinstatements is March 7 to be eligible to vote on April 3. Call the St. Louis County Board of Elections at 314-615-1800 for more information.

#### May I vote by absentee ballot?

Yes. Beginning Feb. 21, St. Louis County registered voters wishing to cast an ABSENTEE BALLOT should call 314-615-1800. In Jefferson County, call 636-797-5486. Application for Official Absentee Ballot (by mail) forms are available in all Rockwood schools. March 28 is the last day absentee ballot requests are accepted by mail at the Election Office. April 2 is the last day to cast an absentee ballot in person at the Election Office at 12 Sunnen Drive in Maplewood for St. Louis County residents and at 729 Maple Street in Hillsboro for Jefferson County residents.

### General Information

#### How many "Yes" votes are required for the bond issue to pass?

The Constitution of the State of Missouri requires a four-sevenths (57.14%) majority for passage of the bond issue.

#### How can I find out more about the bond issue?

Rockwood administrators and Board of Education members are available to speak to any organization about the bond issue on the April 3 ballot. Anyone interested in scheduling a speaker may contact the Superintendent's office at 636-733-2005 or the Communications Department at 636-733-1140.

#### How will the proposition appear on the ballot?

As approved by our Board of Education and in accordance with State Law, the ballot language will read:

#### PROPOSITION R

*Shall the Rockwood R-6 School District, St. Louis County, Missouri, issue its general obligation bonds in the amount of Forty-Three Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$43,200,000) for the purpose of acquiring, constructing, renovating, repairing, improving, furnishing and equipping school sites, buildings and related facilities in the District, including (1) technology infrastructure and classroom technology, (2) safety and health measures, and (3) maintenance of current facilities by continuing to fund major capital repairs and improvements, resulting in no estimated increase in the debt service property tax levy? If this proposition is approved, the adjusted debt service levy of the school district is estimated to remain unchanged at sixty-eight cents (\$0.68) per one hundred dollars assessed valuation of real and personal property.*

Learn more: [www.rockwood.k12.mo.us/PropR](http://www.rockwood.k12.mo.us/PropR)

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## **FEBRUARY 2012**



1—CHAD's Parent Presentations, 9:30am/7pm  
2—Q3 Progress Reports on parent portal  
3—7<sup>th</sup> Grade Sports Fusion Field Trip  
6—National School Counseling Week; PSO Meeting 9:30am, Upstairs Conference Room  
7—No After School Activities; PT Conferences, 3:30-7pm  
9—6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra Concert, 7pm  
15—No After School Activities; PT Conferences, 3:30-7pm  
16—Magazine Kickoff Assemblies  
17—PD Day-Dismissal 11:15am; SoM Breakfast  
20—No School-President's Day  
22—Magazine Sale 1st Turn-in Day; Counselor Coffee, 9am-11am  
23—KORT Rehearsal, 1:30pm, commons; KORT Ceremony, 7pm, commons  
24—KORT Breakfasts (8am-8<sup>th</sup> gr, 9:15am-7<sup>th</sup> gr), commons  
29—8th Grade Career Fair Trip

## **MARCH 2012**

2—Magazine Sale-3<sup>rd</sup> Turn In; STUCO Trivia Night, 7pm  
3—RSD MS Table Tennis Tourney, 7:30am-4pm at RVMS  
4—School Social Workers' Month  
5—National School Breakfast Week; PSO Meeting, 9:30am  
6—SLSMEA Middle School Band Concert  
7—8th Grade's Got Talent Assembly, 8:15am; Magazine Sales Late order Turn In  
9—Last Day of Q3  
13—Orchestra Festival  
14—Presidents' Forum, RVMS Commons, 6:30pm; SLSMEA Middle School Choir Contest  
15—March Madness Assembly, 1pm-2:22pm  
16—No School  
17-23—No School-Spring Recess  
27—Quarter 3 Report Cards on Parent Portal  
30—Get Real Forms Due; Student of the Month Breakfast



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