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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

As a team, we strive to develop responsible students with positive self-concepts who will fulfill their academic potential and who will be provided exploratory opportunities for a variety of experiences within an enthusiastic and supportive atmosphere.

## **Welcome Message from the Principal**

Greetings RLMS parents,

The end of the 2017-2018 school year is quickly approaching. This school year has brought RLMS much to celebrate. We saw the launch of our Positive Behavior Support app (Hero), for which RLMS was featured twice on local news channels. Our campus implemented themed homerooms, which have given a number of our students an opportunity to participate in an activity that they otherwise would not have been able to during the school day (Girls Unity Club, Creative Writing Club, SECME, SEAL team, Yoga for Athletes, Helping Hands, etc). We watched our after school chess club and Shakespearean Theater programs double in participation. Twenty of our young women participated in our Girls Who Code initiative, and our 8th graders outpaced the state and district mean score on the PSAT, which was given to all 8th graders in SCPS. There are many more accomplishments that have occurred this year. The ones mentioned are just a few of the highlights. Rest assured, there are plenty more to come!

Best regards,

Dr. Jordan Rodriguez, Principal

## **Rock Lake Middle School – Where Character Comes First**

## **School Safety**

In light of the recent events in Broward County, many students and parents have understandably been in a heightened state of alarm. Rest assured that at RLMS, we pride ourselves on constantly monitoring the safety of our campus. Our Resource Deputy and our School Security Officer are second to none. Exterior doors and classroom doors are constantly checked and secured. All year, we have promoted student awareness and insisted that our students are constantly aware of their surroundings. We are adamant that students walk with awareness and are not looking down at a screen or walking with headphones in their ears. We are also fortunate to live in a community where our parents and students do not hesitate to share information. When RLMS receives actionable information, we immediately jump to action.

## **No More Fire Drills**

At the direction of SCPS officials, SCPS schools will not participate in fire drills. This is a forward thinking decision that is welcomed.



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**Babita Hinduja**  
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6th Grade M - Z / 8th Grade

**Tara Carlsen**  
*Counselor*  
6th Grade A - L / 7th Grade

## Mark Your Calendars

Please note the following dates for upcoming RLMS events:

- School Advisory Council (SAC) Meeting: Wednesday, April 11th, 7:30am, Room 628
- 8th Grade Field Day: Wednesday, May 16th
- 8th Grade Dance: Friday, May 18th

For the most up to date listing of school events, make sure to access our RLMS Google Calendar at: <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/b/2/r/day>

**"The Rock" – Building Solid Foundations for the Future of our Students**



## Monitoring Grades

As we approach the end of the school year, it is especially imperative that you are aware of your child's progress in each of their classes. Skyward is an excellent tool in which to keep an eye on the daily progress of your student. In addition to Skyward, please do not hesitate to use your child's instructors, guidance counselor, or the RLMS administrative team as a resource. If you are not regularly utilizing Skyward, you are strongly encouraged to do so. If you are having any issues with Skyward, please contact our Educational Technology Facilitator, Jianna Dalton, at [Jianna\\_Dalton@scps.us](mailto:Jianna_Dalton@scps.us).

## Boost Camp Coming Soon

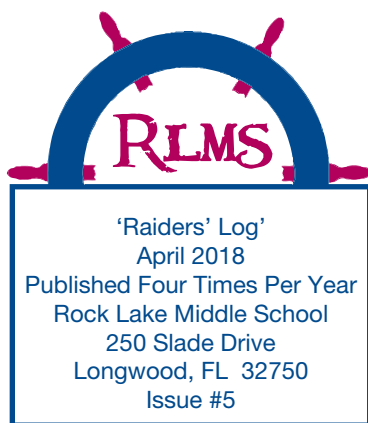
In preparation for upcoming state tests, RLMS will be offering students an additional opportunity to review in Civics, Mathematics, and Science. Details in terms of date and time will be forthcoming. The Boost Camp will take place on a Saturday morning. Please monitor our school social media, weekly Skyward emails, or web page for updates.

## 8th Grade Parents: Please Read

For 8th graders who do not complete the school year with a GPA of 2.0 or higher, your child will be expected to attend summer school. Each SCPS high school will have a Transition Program where the rising 9th graders are exposed to high school level English, Mathematics, and Science coursework. Summer school is six weeks long, with students attending four days per week. If you have any concerns or questions regarding your child's potential participation in the Transition Program, please contact your child's guidance counselor.

## Responsible Social Media Use

Parents, please keep a keen eye on your child's social media use. Often times, pre-teens and teenagers do not recognize the consequences of their actions online. It is also very common for students to maintain several social media accounts. For example, they will have one account that is very respectable. This is the account they may allow parents and relatives to follow. They will then simultaneously host another account where inappropriate images and messages are shared with a closed group of friends. A term commonly used by the kids is "Finstagram", which is in reference to their "fake" account.



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# News from the Learning Communities

## Guidance News

**IMMUNIZATIONS: Rising 7th graders:** Please remember that if you are the parent of a current 6th grade student, your child needs to have updated Immunizations before he or she can enter 7th grade. The Florida Department of Health and the Department of Education require all students entering 7th grade to have received a Tdap booster (adult strength tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis). An updated Florida Certification of Immunization DH 680 Form **must be turned into Rock Lake before your student can pick up a schedule or start school for the 2018-19 school year.** It is not too early to take care of these immunization requirements!

**FSA Testing and End of Course Exams are upon us!**

Testing Dates are posted on the RLMS website (subject to change), and please be aware of the following:

- No electronic devices will be permitted – please keep them at home as much as possible, including Apple/smart watches. If a student has an electronic device on their person during testing, their test will be invalidated. Students will be asked to TURN OFF cellular phones and electronic devices and store them turned off in their backpacks during testing. If a student's device goes off during testing or is heard, this event could invalidate the tests of an entire testing room.
- If you must sign your student out during a test session, he or she cannot come back and complete any missed questions. His or her test session for that day will be marked complete if they leave campus for any reason. Each test session must be completed on the day it was started. Please be aware of this and sign out students only for emergencies.

### **Scheduling for 2018-19**

If you would like to change something on your student's course request form such as moving down from an advanced course choice or moving up from a standard course choice, please submit your request in writing to your student's guidance counselor. Please include your student's name and which course you would like to change, along with your name as the parent.

- Ms. Hinduja – Current 17-18 6th Graders M-Z & ALL Incoming 6th graders for 18-19 Babita\_Hinduja@scps.k12.fl.us
- Ms. Carlsen – Current 17-18 6th Graders A-L & ALL Current 17-18 7th graders carlsetz@scps.k12.fl.us

## Art Department

Instruction in the visual arts is an essential element in the education of every student. Students have the opportunity for direct contact with the arts, not as a passive observer, but also as a participant. Our art students have learned about the elements of art. These elements are the building blocks, or ingredients of art. I am certain that these building blocks help my students daily.

Recently, our students participated in the World Plumbing Day poster contest sponsored by Modern Plumbing Industries Inc. World plumbing day is designed to raise awareness about the important role plumbing plays in society. World Plumbing Day is held on March 11th. Students not only created posters, they learned how lucky they are to have safe water supplies, and now realize the importance of plumbing. We finished in 1st place for participation, thank you to all who produced a poster!

We are currently studying the principles of design, building upon our knowledge of the elements of art. The elements of art are the tools we use to create art, and the principles of design tell us how to use these tools. The **principles of design** describe the ways that artists use the elements of art in a work of art.

We will continue to use our knowledge of the elements and principles of art to create both 2-D and 3-D projects.

## Social Studies Department

### **6th Grade:**

In Quarter 4, students will be wrapping up their unit on Rome with a study of the rise of Christianity. This historical study will take students on a journey from the beginnings of Christianity in the first century to its acceptance by the Roman Empire in the late fourth century. As the first half of the last quarter winds down, we will finish up the year with a study of the first Americans, including the Mayas and the Aztecs. We will discuss the land bridge theory and migration patterns. Finally, we will prepare for our last nine-week exam that happens during the final three days of school.

### **7th Grade:**

Civics students will spend the last quarter reviewing components of American Law and our nation's justice system. They will examine the Florida Constitution and look at similarities and differences in how government operates at the state and national level. Students will also complete the final unit of instruction before their End-of -Course (EOC) exams on foreign and domestic policy. The Civics End-of-Course Exam is scheduled for Thursday, May 3rd. We will hold our annual Boost Camp in late April to give students guided instruction and key strategies to enhance their success on this test. We want students to show the state how we "Rock Civics" at the Rock, so they are ENCOURAGED to spend 30 minutes or more EACH DAY reviewing study guides and tools on content we have covered this year.

### **Grade 8:**

The 8th graders will be learning about the American Civil War and Reconstruction last quarter. Students will learn about the issues that tore the nation apart. They will continue to learn about the differences between the North and South. They will review battles that took place during the Civil War and their outcomes. After the study of the war is complete, the students will then focus on how we put our country back together. The remainder of the quarter will be dedicated to ensuring our 8th Graders are prepared to move on to high school social science courses.

## Math Department

Our Math teachers are busy preparing your students for the FSA assessment that is coming up in April. A great way to prepare is to continue to do the Khan Academy assignments that your teacher has assigned. Also, continue to practice at home by doing your homework nightly. Many teachers also offer extra help sessions during homeroom or in the mornings.

Our Math clubs are in full force as teachers and students are preparing for the Math Festival that is quickly approaching. This year the festival will be at Lyman High School on April 14th. We would love to have more students join. If they are interested, please have them speak to their math teacher.

## Language Arts Department

On the heels of taking their FSA Writes exam in early March, ELA students are gearing up for the FSA in Reading in mid-April. Teachers are reviewing content with new stories and texts, practicing critical thinking and problem-solving scenarios through in-class projects, and reading and analyzing plays and novels to teach students the joys of sustained reading. Work varies from class-to-class but the focus remains the same: give students the tools they need to get to the next level. Looking for dinnertime conversation? Parents can best support their children by talking about what's happening in class and ensuring that assignments are turned in on time and with care. In mid-May, students will receive their Summer Reading Project assignments to keep relaxed summer minds focused and sharp. Book choices this year will be so high-interest that parents will want to read along with their students.

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## Band

All of the bands at Rock Lake had yet another amazing year! The Advanced and Concert bands have both been working very hard to prepare for their Music Performance Assessment on April 5. The jazz band received straight superior ratings at their Music Performance Assessment last month and will have their final concert on Tuesday, May 1 at 7pm in the RLMS Gymnasium. The Spring Band Concert (featuring Beginning, Concert, and Advanced Bands) will be Tuesday, May 8 at 7:00pm at Lyman HS. Please come out to support and listen to see just how far each of the bands have come over the course of the year! I am extremely proud of their work!

The Altamonte Summer Band Camp is coming up for all students who would like to play in band next year, or students continuing with band at Rock Lake next year. The camp will be held at Teague Middle School and runs May 31 – June 14. For more information, please go to [www.rocklakeband.org](http://www.rocklakeband.org) or contact Kerry Waldo at 407-746-9385.

## Chorus

The Spring semester has been quite eventful for Rock Lake Chorus! We have already had several wonderful performances - Solo & Ensemble, Incoming 6th Grade Night, and MPA - and are looking forward to our final concert of the year, on Thursday, May 3rd at 7pm, in the RLMS gym. Thank you to all who purchased a cake or made a donation as part of our annual fundraiser! We appreciate your help! Chorus will be having a "Spirit Night" at the Altamonte Chipotle on April 3rd from 5-9pm - join us for fun, fellowship, and yummy food! Finally, a HUGE CONGRATULATIONS goes to our RLMS Chorus students who earned STRAIGHT SUPERIORS (both groups) at District Chorus Music Performance Assessment and to our six soloists who earned Excellence and Superiors at Solo & Ensemble! We are SO proud of you and all the hard work you have put in to achieving your goals this year!

## Yearbook

There are only approximately 90 yearbooks left to sell. Parents and students can purchase them by logging on to [yearbookordercenter.com](http://yearbookordercenter.com) and type in the code 740. They can order yearbooks online until March 31st. Students can also bring a CASH ONLY payment to Mrs. Levkulich in room 208 (the T.V. Production room) at any time between now and May 7th. If there are any books left beyond that date, we will sell them on distribution day, which is May 11th.

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SCORES ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FRONT OFFICE

## RLMS Boosters

### Booster News

#### Raider Spirit Nights- Save the Dates!

The second Wednesday of every month take a break from cooking and come enjoy some great food, while helping the school at the same time!

- April - Tijuana Flats
- May - TBD
- Spring Candy Grams March 26- April 6

Find out what RLMS Boosters are all about!

- website [rocklakeboosters.weebly.com](http://rocklakeboosters.weebly.com)
- E-mail [rmsboosters@yahoo.com](mailto:rmsboosters@yahoo.com)
- Follow on [facebook.com/rmsboosters](https://www.facebook.com/rmsboosters)
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## Extended Day Now Available

RLMS is now offering Extended Day. Currently, our Extended Day program will only be offered before school. For more information, please call 407-320-0528 or email [KZone@scps.us](mailto:KZone@scps.us). The program will begin on August 10th. It runs from 7am to 9am. The cost is \$26 per week. There is a registration fee of \$25.

## Ticket To Ride' Transportation For Transfer Students

Through the 'Ticket to Ride' program, SCPS offers available seats at existing bus stops to transfer students who are otherwise ineligible for transportation to the requested school. Availability is determined by the SCPS Transportation Department. If seats are available, students are assigned by the Transportation Department to the closest existing stop to a family's residence that meets safety requirements. There is no guarantee that a 'Ticket to Ride' seat will be available. Students are required to reapply each year. Families who have submitted 'Ticket to Ride' applications will be contacted by the Transportation Department prior to first day of school with school bus stop information.



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## Bullying And Harassment

At RLMS, we have zero tolerance for bullying and harassment. Our students are entitled to a safe and secure environment, where they can focus on their academic achievement. To ensure this opportunity, we have multiple ways in which students can report any concern(s) related to bullying / harassment.



Bullying is any systematically and chronically inflicting physical hurt or psychological distress on one or more students. Any unwanted repeated written, verbal, or physical behavior.

Harassment is any threatening, insulting or dehumanizing gesture, any written or use of data through social media directed against a student.

Additionally, cyber stalking is considered bullying and/or harassment, which means to engage in a course of conduct to communicate, or cause to be communicated, words, images, or language through electronic devices which cause emotional distress to a person for no legitimate purpose, this behavior will be reported to law enforcement.

Students are made aware of our informing process and the various ways to report any bullying behavior through Good Morning Rock Lake, announcements throughout the year and through one-on-one communication. We have established with all teachers a central location on the web to get forms for a student to readily report any concern with bullying. Students are informed about other locations to report a bullying matter i.e. the guidance office, main office, or to any administrator, dean, or security. Additionally, we have a locked Bully Box located in the media center for any student to present their concern about a bullying matter. This box is checked daily and investigated.

Students are asked to give their reports of bullying in the form of a written statement in any of these locations. The student's statement is immediately dated upon receipt to begin the investigation process. The student is given written notification, if any further bullying incidents occur, they are to report the concern immediately to administration.

## Student Pick-up and Drop-off Procedures

### Car Ramp

The following procedures have been implemented to insure the safety of students being picked up and dropped off in cars:

#### Morning drop-off

After 8:30 A.M. cars are not allowed on the ramp in front of the school, as this is reserved for bus traffic ONLY. Students are to be dropped off on the ramp in the rear of the school. Please pull up as far as possible or to where directed by law enforcement and school staff. After the last bus has arrived for the day, visitors should use the parking lot.

#### Dismissal pick-up

In order to ensure student safety and to promote efficiency during afternoon car rider pickup, the following procedure must be followed:

PLEASE follow the instructions given by our security officer / law enforcement officer and other school personnel at the car ramp. Parents / guardians of car riders will use the road named Poplar that leads to the north side (back) of the school. At dismissal time, cars will proceed in single file to the ramp to the designated passenger-loading area. If the student is not present as his / her car enters the loading zone, the driver will be asked to pull up near the gym to wait for the student.

At dismissal time, car riders will not be permitted to leave the covered walkway to meet cars in the parking area or further down the car ramp unless accompanied by a parent. Only 5 cars at a time will be permitted to load students. For the safety of your child, and to manage traffic, please do not use any other procedure or location to pick up your child from school.

Cars will circle the loop and exit by way of Poplar. Please resume a safe speed of 5 miles per hour while on the car loop.

Please do not park on the pick-up ramp and exit your car. If you must exit your car for any reason, please park in a parking space. Watch for pedestrians walking in the lot and on the ramp. To ensure the safety of your children, your cooperation with school staff and other parents is greatly appreciated.

## Student Check Out

Due to safety concerns, we do NOT permit students to be signed out after 3:30 p.m. (2:30 p.m. on Wednesdays). When there are buses in the loading area, cars will not be permitted to enter or exit. Once all buses are clear, visitors and employees may access the parking lot.

## Arrival On Campus

Students are not permitted on campus until 8:50 A.M. Outside supervision does not start until 8:50 A.M. However, when there is an activity, such as intramurals or club meetings that begin at 8:15 A.M., students may be dropped off at the FRONT RAMP no earlier than 8:00 A.M. and no later than 8:30 A.M. Students will need a teacher pass to be permitted in the building.

## Skateboards and scooters are NOT permitted on campus

## Cell Phones And Other Items

RLMS nor the Seminole County School Board is responsible for the replacement or repair of any technology students bring to school. Students are not to bring any unauthorized items to school as defined by the Code of Student Conduct which includes, but are not limited to: skateboards, radios, electronic music devices, headphones, toys, video games, and other electronic devices. Teachers will send a release form home if the use of personal technology is allowed in their classroom for academic purposes.



## Attention Parents

Due to limited personnel and the disruption to classroom instruction, we are unable to deliver messages to students. Please make personal arrangements for/with your child prior to them coming to school.



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## Positive Behavior Support (PBS)

Rock Lake Middle School will continue with Positive Behavior Support (PBS) this year. The purpose of PBS is to facilitate positive behavior change in our students and staff through the application of the PBS Approach. Our goal this year is to reduce the number of inappropriate behaviors, and increase academic achievement by educating the students and staff and reinforcing appropriate behaviors.

## School Advisory Council

Rock Lake's School Advisory Council (SAC) is made up of our Principal, 3 teachers, 1 staff and 6-7 parents. It is the responsibility of SAC to assist in the preparation and evaluation of the School Improvement Plan and to provide a communication link between the school and parents. The Rock Lake Middle School SAC (School Advisory Council) Visitors are welcome and encouraged!

## Cafeteria News

Students may purchase a hot lunch for \$3.00 or purchase items separately from the a la carte line. The cafeteria accepts cash, checks and MasterCard and Visa debit or credit cards. You may establish your student's lunch account in person or by phone (or see next article on how to pay online). The minimum credit charge is \$25. Checks must be for at least \$10. Please feel free to call anytime you have a question about our cafeteria program. The phone number for the cafeteria is 407-746-9352.

## Pay For Lunch Online!

Now you can go online to put money in your child's lunch account! Rock Lake Middle School is part of the [myLunchMoney.com](http://myLunchMoney.com) cafeteria system. The FREE SERVICE is easy to use, convenient, private and secure. Enrolling and funding your account is simple and done online. Once your account is established, you can check balances and fund the account any time from your home computer, phone or fax. To make life even easier, you can establish the automatic pre-payment program that loads more value into your child's account when your pre-determined minimum account balance is reached. Your child's information is safe—it stays at school. The balance information is kept current at the [myLunchMoney.com](http://myLunchMoney.com) site and available to only the parents authorized to access it. Your personal and payment card information is protected by the most advanced Internet security.

## Speakout Hotline

You can give tips 3 ways:

On-line	Call	Text
<a href="http://www.speakouthotline.org">www.speakouthotline.org</a> You may give an anonymous tip on the website	800-423-TIPS No caller ID No recorded calls	'speakout' plus your tip information to CRIMES (274637)



## Dividends:

### Hands that serve, Hearts that care!

The Dividends School Volunteer program is a district-wide effort that encourages and promotes community involvement in Seminole County Public Schools. Parents, family members and the community are required to register on the Seminole County Public School website prior to visiting any school. If you would like to volunteer time at your child's school, please go to <http://www.scps.k12.fl.us/> and click on the Dividend School Volunteer link.

Please complete the online application and be sure to register with all schools where you might assist. **The Dividend application needs to be updated yearly.** We appreciate your support.



## Medication

Whether your student takes a daily medication at school or simply needs to take a pain reliever or cough drops, the following information is of importance to you. Authorization forms must be on file in the front office for medications to be taken on campus during the school day. Please review the regulations and keep a copy, so that should the occasion arise and your child needs to take medication at school, you will be aware of the paperwork necessary to make that happen.

The following is the State of Florida medication policy:

- Middle school **students are not permitted to deliver medication** to school. All medication must be delivered by the parent/guardian.
- **All medication must be accompanied by a Student Medication Authorization form (SCPS Form 157).** This includes over-the-counter (aspirin, Tylenol, cough drops, vitamins, drops, etc.), sample drugs and prescription medications. There are no exceptions to this policy.
- **All medications** (over-the-counter, samples, prescription) must be in their original containers.
- If the medication is over-the-counter or samples, **it must be labeled as follows:**
  - Child's full name
  - Medication name
  - Dosage directions (how many to administer)
  - Time of day to be taken (specific hours or as needed)
  - Physician's Name

**Over-the-counter medications can be self-administered and the student can carry with him/her a daily dose if this is indicated on the Student Medication Authorization form** on file in the front office at Rock Lake. Students cannot carry over-the-counter medications without this authorization form, which must be signed by a parent. **THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS TO ANY OF THESE POLICIES.**

1. A staff member delegated by the principal must administer medications.
2. An Authorization for Medication form must be completed prior to the administration of any medication to student. This authorization must be renewed annually each school year.
3. Administration by school personnel of injectable medication must be planned on an individual basis with parent, physician and School Board nurse of the student involved.
4. Each school will keep a current record of students needing medication during school hours, including name, dosage, and usual time of administration.



# 2017-18 Student Calendar

JANUARY 2018				
M	TU	W	TH	FR
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FEBRUARY 2018				
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MARCH 2018				
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APRIL 2018				
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MAY 2018				
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JUNE 2018				
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18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

1st Quarter: Aug. 10th - Oct. 13th	46 Days	Semester 1	88 Days	8/10-12/21
2nd Quarter: Oct. 18th - Dec. 21st	42 Days			
3rd Quarter: Jan. 8th - March 15th	47 Days	Semester 2	92 Days	1/8-5/25
4th Quarter: March 26th - May 25th	45 Days			

8/4-8/9	Pre-Planning
8/10	First Day of School
9/4	Labor Day Holiday
10/13	End of 1st Quarter
10/16	Tchr Workday/Student Holiday
10/17	Professional Development Day
10/18	Beginning of 2nd Grading Period
11/20-11/24	Thanksgiving Break
12/21	End of 2nd Quarter
12/22	Tchr Workday/Student Holiday
Early Release Days	

12/25-1/5	Winter Break
1/8	Beginning of 3rd Grading Period
1/15	Martin Luther King Holiday
2/19	Presidents Day Holiday
3/15	End of 3rd Quarter
3/16	Tchr Workday/Student Holiday
3/19-3/23	Spring Break
3/26	Beginning of 4th Grading Period
5/25	End of 4th Quarter/Last Day of School
5/28	Memorial Day Holiday
5/29-5/30	Post-Planning

\*Make-up days for inclement weather are listed in the order in which they will be taken:  
10/16/2017, 10/17/2017, 12/22/2017,  
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## Skyward

If you have not already done so, we would like to encourage you to sign up for Skyward. It is a program designed for you to keep up daily with your student's grades and attendance. Forms are available in our front office or you can download a form from our website ([www.rocklakemiddle.scps.k12.fl.us](http://www.rocklakemiddle.scps.k12.fl.us)) and bring it to the front office with a copy of your driver's license (or you can send in the form with a copy of your ID). On the front page of our website, you can click on **Trouble Logging in to Skyward?** and it will show step by step instructions. You may also direct any Skyward questions to our Administrative Secretary, Debi Magamoll at 407-746-9355.

## SCPS And RLMS Websites

Have you visited Seminole County Public Schools' website located at [www.scps.k12.fl.us](http://www.scps.k12.fl.us)? It has tons of information, including the 2017-2018 School Calendar, lunch menus, school bus route information, school board agenda, etc. You can visit Rock Lake Middle School's website from there by going to: schools, middle, Rock Lake or go to [www.rocklakemiddle.scps.k12.fl.us](http://www.rocklakemiddle.scps.k12.fl.us) to go directly to our site.

## Internet Exclusion Form

Seminole County Public Schools believes technology is a valuable educational tool. We offer our students access to the district computer network and the Internet for instructional purposes.

If you do not want your student to have this access, you need to complete an Internet Exclusion Request form. This form is available on the SCPS website ([www.scps.k12.fl.us](http://www.scps.k12.fl.us)) as well as the Rock Lake website ([www.rocklakemiddle.scps.k12.fl.us](http://www.rocklakemiddle.scps.k12.fl.us)).

## Privacy Laws

The School Board of Seminole County, Florida reserves the right to release "Directory Information" without obtaining prior permission from a student's parent(s) or adult student.

We want our parents to understand that some of the items this directory information includes is having your student's work or pictures published on our website, **school year-book**, honor roll or recognition lists (your student is identified on our website by first name only). Parents must request in a written letter to the principal annually if they do not want his/her student's information published. **This is an "all or none" policy** and therefore your letter requesting the information not be released will include all publications, etc.