# Rockin' Rams Family Newsletter

#### APRIL 2019



### DON'T FORGET! DINE WITH THE RAMS IS THIS TUESDAY, APRIL 23RD AT MCALLISTER'S

Don't forget to take the coupon/flyer (sent home last week) with you and support our school by simply eating out with your family! It's a simple way to help our PTO raise money for all of their great initiatives! Enjoy meeting and getting to know other Rocky Hill Families. See you there!

### CONGRATULATIONS TO MS. LISA WILKINS FOR WINNING ROTARY CLUB TEACHER OF THE YEAR!

Selected to represent Rocky Hill Elementary, Lisa Wilkins went on to be considered for and won the Rotary Club Teacher of the Year for Knox County! With her impressive resume showing her implementation of STEM instruction, volunteering with the



Fantasy of Trees, being a Lead Teacher who assists administration in evaluating her professional peers, and leading various school-based action and event teams, she was selected and was honored at a luncheon on Tuesday, April 9th at a Rotary Club meeting. Congrats, Ms. Wilkins! You are a Rockin' Ram!

**Pictured:** Lisa Wilkins, Virginia Babb (*KCS School Board Representative*), Dr. Jon Rysewyk (*KCS Chief Academic Officer*)

DON'T FORGET: ROCKY HILL ELEMENTARY TNREADY TESTING WEEK(S) ARE APRIL 15TH - APRIL 29TH FOR **3RD-5TH GRADERS \*TEST SCHEDULE AVAILABLE ON** THE RHES SCHOOL WEBSITE

### ROCKY HILL SINGERS UPCOMING PERFORMANCES

#### Thursday, May 2nd

- School day performance at 8:15 a.m.
- Evening performance at 6:00 p.m.

Families and friends are invited to attend the Rocky Hill Singers Concert on Thursday, May 2 at 6pm in the RHES Gym. The concert will be a celebration of the joys of the Spring season! We look forward to seeing you there!

## FINAL PARENT MEETING FOR 5TH GRADE SAFETY PATROL D.C. TRIP

Parents of Safety Patrollers going to D.C. are required to come to a meeting on Monday, May 13th at 6:00 p.m. in the Library. This meeting will review important details for the trip. A big thank you to our Safety Patrol Teacher Leaders: Ms. Ashley Sieber, Ms. Kari Culin (Brooks) and Ms. Beth Sexton.

FIELD DAYS AT RHES - SAVE THE

Tuesday, May 7 - 2nd and 3rd grades Field Day Wednesday, May 8 - 4th and 5th grades Field Day Friday, May 10 - K-1st grade Field Day

PTO MEMBERSHIP MEETING FOR ALL PARENTS ON APRIL 25TH





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Come join us on Thursday, April 25th for the PTO General Membership Meeting at 5:30 p.m. in the Rocky Hill Elementary School Library!





LIBRARY BOOKS DUE FRIDAY, MAY 3RD BOOK FAIR WEEK MAY 13-17 PTO RODEO EVENT FRIDAY, MAY 17



### LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS -THURSDAY, MAY 23RD (HALF DAY)

Thursday, May 23rd is the last day for students with dismissal at 11:15 a.m. Report Cards will be given on this day only. Parents can send in a self-addressed stamped envelope for the school to mail the report card or they can stop in at the office to pick it up.

Don't forget to pick up any medications from the school nurse on or before the last day. For safety, medicine cannot be sent home with students.

## ROCKY HILL STUDENT WINS STATE CHESS CHAMPIONSHIP!

Congratulations to Selena Ma, a 2nd grader at Rocky Hill, for winning the K-3 section at the 2019 Tennessee All-Girls Scholastic Chess Championship!



Tickle College of Engineering and the UT Chess Club hosted the 2019 Tennessee All-Girls Scholastic Chess Championship in conjunction with the East TN Chess Club and the TN Chess Association. 42 students from across the state competed in three sections, K-3, K-6 and Championship.

The K-3 section was won by defending champion Selena Ma, with a perfect 4.0 score. Farragut Intermediate third grader Abbie Liu placed second with three points and second grader Olivia Law from Christian Academy of Knoxville placed third.

Way to go, Selena! You are a Rockin' Ram!



#### RHES STUDENTS' ARTWORK FEATURED IN ART SHOW!

Congratulations to the students listed below for their art being featured in a Knox County Schools Elementary Art Show taking place at Broadway Studios and Gallery at 1127 N. Broadway during the month of April! The opening reception occurred Friday, April 5th.

Kindergarten - Juno Powers First Grade - Hudson Perry and Sarah Beth Anderson Second Grade - John Pantanizopoulos and Teague Latham Third Grade - Carter Stubblefield Fourth Grade - Thanmayi Kandra, Afton Cruze and Corbin Peterson Fifth Grade - Kaya Ware, Julia Fawaz and John Michael Moore

Thank you for representing Rocky Hill so well!

# 5TH GRADE AWARDS - SAVE THE DATE!

In order to accommodate the needs of all of our students and parents, 5th grade will be offering both an AM and PM Awards Ceremony this year.

#### Wednesday, May 22

\***8:00-9:45 a.m.** Awards Ceremony in the Gym (8:45 begin Graduation Parade through the school with K-4 cheering on our graduating 5th graders)

\*6:00-7:45 p.m. Awards Ceremony in the Gym





# SAVE THE DATE: RHES GREAT HARVEST EVENT!

#### WHEN THURSDAY, SEP. 26TH, 6:30PM

#### WHERE 227 WEST DEPOT AVENUE KNOXVILLE, TN

#### **MORE INFORMATION**

Rocky Hill families know how to throw a party! The Great Harvest fundraising event is sponsored by our very own RHES Foundation. It's an evening that includes dinner, an auction of fabulous items, and wonderful company! It's a great way to support our school through sponsorships and bidding on special donated items.

Please consider participating in our Spring Sponsorship Drive and get in a drawing to win a Fast Pass! This allows you to bypass the long drop off and pick up lines and pull up to the front door to drop off and pick up your child...WOW! The Fast Pass can be used for the rest of this year and includes all of the 2019-2020 school year!

More information to come! Be a Rockin' Ram and join us for the biggest party of the year!

## ARRIVAL DROP OFF IS ALWAYS AT THE BACK ENTRANCE



Thanks to all of our families who follow the route each morning to get their children to school safely! The back car loop is always drop off and must be a right turn from Rocky Hill Road.

When the back car loop is getting backed up, then cars will be motioned to the front driveway where they turn right and are directed to pull up and drop off at a safety cone. This change was introduced at the beginning of this school year. See the map below for details.

There is NO left turn from Rocky Hill Road into the front driveway, EXCEPT for staff members, safety patrollers, Fast Pass holders, scheduled visitors and those parents who are parking to come inside the building for a meeting, etc.

Please continue to follow the traffic pattern and we will get your child inside for instruction on time! When the bell rings at 7:45 a.m. and a student is not in the building, he/she will be marked tardy.





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