



**Rocky Mountain  
High School**  
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## Summer News

### Front Office Closure

All areas of RMHS, including the front office, will be closed beginning June 1, 2021 until August 2, 2021 due to necessary repairs to the building. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

### Important Dates for Back to School

- August 5:** Freshman Parent Night
- August 6:** Freshmen Check-in, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- August 6:** Senior Check-in, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm
- August 9:** Sophomore Check-in, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
- August 9:** Junior Check-in, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm
- August 13:** Freshman Orientation @ RMHS, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm
- August 16:** All Students in school
- October 13:** PSAT/NMSQT
- October 13/14:** First Quarter Finals
- October 14:** End of First Quarter
- October 18 - 22:** Homecoming Spirit Week
- October 23:** Homecoming Dance @ RMHS

**Administrators and Dean of Students**

If you need assistance from any of our administrators, please feel free to call or email.

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# Summer School

Summer School has added a Session 3, July 7 - July 30. This will be online only and the same classes as Session 1 and 2. Registration is now open for all sessions. All sessions are free.

<https://summer.psdschools.org/>



# Summer Breakfast Program



## Kids Feeding Kids Summer Breakfast Program

The Kids Feeding Kids Summer Breakfast Program provides a free or pay-it-forward breakfast and hands-on, educational activities for children and their families throughout the summer.



June 2nd - July 30th  
Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday  
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM



Questions?  
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# Summer Breakfast Program



## Niños Alimentando Niños Programa de Desayuno para el Verano

El programa de desayuno de verano para los niños ofrece desayuno gratis y actividades educativas para los niños y sus familias durante el verano



2 de junio -  
30 de julio

Cada miércoles,  
jueves, y viernes

Las 9 a las 10 y  
media de la  
mañana



Preguntas?  
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## Student Check-in

All Rocky Mountain High School students are required to attend the check-in process on August 6th or 9th. Parents are not expected to attend check-in with their students. If siblings prefer to check-in together, they should arrive at the *older* sibling's designated check-in time/date. Below are the check-in dates/times for each grade level.

### August 6th

**Freshmen, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm**

- ◆ 9:00 AM – Last names beginning with A – F
- ◆ 9:45 AM – Last names beginning with G – L
- ◆ 10:30 AM – Last names beginning with M – R
- ◆ 11:15 AM – Last names beginning with S – Z

**Seniors, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm**

### August 9th

**Sophomores, 9:00 am -12:00 pm**

**Juniors, 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm**

**REMINDER: DURING CHECK-IN DAYS OF AUGUST 6 AND 9, THE FRONT OFFICE WILL CLOSE FROM 12:00 – 1:00 FOR LUNCH.**

The following procedures will occur for students at check-in:

- Pictures and ID's taken
- Parking passes administered (must have valid Driver's License, car registration and current insurance card/information) if needed
- Lockers assigned (optional)
- Laptops checked out
- Military opt-out forms (juniors and seniors only)
- Fees collected if appropriate

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**If students need to make adjustments to their 1st semester schedule, those changes need to be made by the end of the school day Wednesday August 18th. All schedules must be final by August 18th. Students should contact their counselor at the start of the year so they can work together on making changes.**





## School Fees

### School Pay (fees and donations) for Back to School Payments

The following fees are typical check in fees that we have recommended and had students/families pay during the check in process in the past. (School Pay can be accessed all year so if you are unsure of what fees to pay, you can always go back and pay later. Donations also can be made throughout the year.)

Parents can sign up for SchoolPay at <https://psdschools.schoolpay.com/>. Registration is free and all information is encrypted for security purposes.

**IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT FEES CANNOT BE ACCEPTED ON SCHOOLPAY FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR UNTIL AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2022**

### Fees that are highly suggested to be paid on or before check in:

1. **Activity Pass:** Activity passes allow students to get in to all regular season home sporting events for no additional charge. In addition to that when Rocky plays in-district (cross town) games students are admitted to those games as well. **If you purchase the activities pass, we recommend you do so BEFORE school pictures are taken because the pass gets printed on student ID cards.**
2. **Athletic Fees:** If your student is a fall athlete, all athletic fees must be paid prior to them being issued a permit to practice card.

### Fees that are suggested and helpful to be paid on or before check in:

1. **Class Donations:** In the past most students have paid \$10 each year into their class fund. This helps support class activities most significantly but not limited to Prom and Senior Class activities and gift. In the past, this fund has eliminated the need for significant fundraising by each class. Again, any donation amount is greatly appreciated and goes directly to support student activities.
2. **Technology Supplies Donation:** This fee helps offset the cost to Rocky to maintain, repair, and replace technology supplies used by students including cartridges and paper. Suggested amount is \$10.00 and is very much appreciated.
3. **Athletic Fitness Center Donation:** This (suggested) \$10 donation helps offset the cost of maintenance and equipment replacement for the Rocky fitness center.

\*\* Yearbook's can be purchased at this time by going directly through Josten's website @ [jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com)

For further information, please visit <https://www.rockyyearbook.com>





## Parents

### School Accountability Committee

One of the important keys to developing a successful high school is active parent involvement. A great way to get involved is to become a member of Rocky's School Accountability Committee. SAC's purpose is to address the progress of school goals and to set goals for the next school year. Rocky parents who are interested in participating in Rocky's School Accountability Committee are invited to call Erin Murray, the principal's secretary, at 488-7015. Meetings are held quarterly throughout the school year.

### Volunteer Opportunities

In addition to SAC members, we have many parents who participate as volunteers doing a variety of tasks or who support specific organizations at Rocky such as Parents' Athletic Club, music boosters, and drama parents. Parent involvement is vital and we urge you to contribute your ideas, skills, effort, and time to support your high school. We especially will need parents to work as presenters for our College



## School Supplies

Supply lists, if applicable, will be provided to students by their teachers at the beginning of each term. Students should bring a notebook and writing utensils to the first day of classes.



## Front Office Closure

**Rocky will be closed *all day* on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 for our beginning of the year staff meeting.**

We will be back in the office on Thursday, August 12





## Freshmen Orientation

Freshmen orientation for the 2021-2022 school year will take place on Friday, August 13th from 9:00am-4:00pm. Students should enter the school through the front doors by 9:00am and report directly to the Commons area. During orientation, freshmen will be assigned to a junior or senior Link Crew Student Leader, who will continue as a mentor for the remainder of the school year. In the morning, students will participate in a variety of activities that will help them meet new students, learn about Rocky and our culture, and become familiar with the layout of the school. After lunch, students will report to their classes and run through a modified schedule. School buses will run on a normal schedule before and after school. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact counselor Justin Tate at 488-7027.

### Freshman Orientation Schedule

|                           |                                                  |                    |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Orientation:</b>       | 9:00 am - 12:10 pm ~ RMHS Gymnasium              |                    |
| <b>Lunch:</b>             | 12:10 pm - 12:57 pm ~ lunch is provided by Rocky |                    |
| <b>Modified Schedule:</b> | 1st period                                       | 12:57 pm - 1:36 pm |
|                           | 2nd period                                       | 1:46 pm - 2:24 pm  |
|                           | 3rd period                                       | 2:34 pm - 3:12 pm  |
|                           | 4th period                                       | 3:22 pm - 4:00 pm  |

### 9th Grade Counselors/Dean of Students/Administrator

In order to increase academic, social-emotional and career success for students moving from middle school to high school, all freshmen will have two dedicated ninth grade Counselors, one dedicated Administrator and one dedicated Dean of Students.

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|-----------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Counselor #1:</b>  | Justin Tate        |
| <b>Counselor #2:</b>  | Kathleen McCormack |
| <b>Administrator:</b> | Karen Bennett      |
| <b>Dean:</b>          | Michael Ruffner    |

Specific counselor assignment will be on student's schedule at check-in.





## Athletics

After 15 years of service to Rocky Mountain as the Athletic Secretary, Rosalyn Seale will be moving to Castle Rock as her husband has accepted a new position there. Moving into Rosalyn's role will be Gina Harris (current Health Tech at Rocky for many years) who is excited for a new challenge and new role at Rocky! Welcome Gina (gharris@psdschools.org).

**Athletic Summer Office Hours: TBA as RMHS is under construction all of 2021 summer.**

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Summer info....can be on <https://www.rockyathletics.org/> and as follows:

(NOTE: AN ORANGE CARD IS **NOT** REQUIRED FOR SUMMER PARTICIPATION.  
All summer/preseason activities are considered voluntary and not mandatory.)

Boys Basketball info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/2933>

Cross Country info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/2964>

Field Hockey info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/2968>

Football info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/2965>

Boys Golf info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/3239>

Girls Basketball info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/2984>

Girls Gymnastics info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/5505>

Girls Softball info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/2928>

Girls Volleyball info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/2930>

Boys Soccer info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/2926>

Boys Tennis info: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/2929>

**Summer Camp Offerings** – can be found on: <https://www.rockyathletics.org/page/3114/mn>

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**ATHLETIC REGISTRATION FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR CAN BE FOUND AT:**  
<https://poudreathletics.sportngin.com/register/form/920721237> Registration for fall sports does not open until July 6.

### CHSAA Official Start Dates For Fall Sports:

Golf - **August 2**

Cross Country, Field Hockey, Football, Gymnastics, Boys Soccer, Softball, Cheer, Dance, Boys Tennis, Volleyball, Unified Football, Unified Cheer - **Aug. 9.**

**WHEN CAN ATHLETES GET FALL ORANGE CARDS?** Please call first (970-488-7016)

July 29, 1-4:00 pm

Aug. 2- through the school year, 8-4:30 pm





## Reminders for the 2021-2022 School Year

### Absence Reporting

If a student is not able to attend school for all or part of the school day, the school must be notified by phone (488-7002). Notes from parents/guardians will not be accepted. For excused absences, as defined by Poudre School District, parents should call the attendance office on the day of the absence. The deadline to excuse an absence is within 5 days of the absence. Excused absences will be granted for illness of the student or illness in the family, death in the family, court appearances, appointments that cannot be scheduled outside of the school day, and for other emergencies on an individual basis. If parents decide that they must take their student out of school for more than 3 consecutive days for a reason that would not normally be excused, the student should make arrangements with the attendance office and fill out a pre-arranged absence form, which must be approved by an administrator.

### Tardies

Students are expected to be in class on time. A student is tardy who enters the classroom, without proper excuse, after the final bell has rung. If the student is more than 10 minutes late, the tardy will be changed to an unexcused absence.

### Intervention Action Related to Attendance

In order for a student to have a meaningful experience in a class, he/she must be there to be an active participant. The school/teacher has the responsibility of informing the parent/guardian by phone or by letter when their student is not attending a class or classes. Appropriate action will be taken to ensure that the student does attend the classes for which he/she is registered. In cases of non-attendance, the student will be counseled, parent conferences may be required, teachers will be involved and, in extreme cases, the student may be dropped from the class with a failing grade for lack of attendance.

Student may not loiter in the parking lots or the halls during the school day. Students will be asked to leave campus and will be marked absent if they refuse to go to class.

### Request for Homework

If your student will be gone for **more than two days** and you would like to request homework, please access the Rocky Mountain High School website. There you can find the email addresses and phone numbers for your student's teachers. Please email or call them directly. Remember that teachers will need 24-hours to gather homework. It will be available for pick-up in Student Services at the end of the school day *following* the date the homework was requested.

### Health Office Information

Do you have questions about the health office at Rocky Mountain High School? Do you want to know about immunizations or get a copy of the health forms? Please call 970-488-7024 or find forms for Immunizations, Health Action Plans, Medication and other Health Office information on the RMHS website:

<https://rmh.psdschools.org/counseling-career-center/parent-resources/student-health-center>





## Campus Safety and Security

*Rocky Mountain High School is committed to providing a safe and secure environment for ALL students, staff and visitors.*

RMHS Contacts for questions or concerns:

Mr. Stapleton, Dean of Students – rstaplet@psdschools.org – 488-7155

Mr. Ruffner, Dean of Students – mruffner@psdschools.org- 488-7192

Officer Ross, School Resource Officer – derrekr@psdschools.org - 488-7013

Campus Security Officer – Ken Smythe - ksmythe@psdschools.org - 488-7018

Ruben Caro, Campus Monitor - rcarojr@psdschools.org - 488-7116

### **Campus Safety**

- **Deans** are members of the Administrative Team, specifically designated to work with students, staff and the SRO & CSO to help build culture and to keep Rocky a safe school.
- **School Resource Officers (SRO's)** are certified police officers based at most middle and high schools. SRO's help maintain a safe learning environment and promote positive relations between students, staff and law enforcement.
- **Campus Security Officers (CSO's)** are based at most high schools and work at all school sites throughout the District. CSO's are responsible for site security and safety and assist with crisis response, parking/traffic enforcement and special event coverage.
- **Secure Entry:** RMHS is dedicated to the safety and security of students and staff. For this reason we will have designated entry to our building. Main Entrance, South West Bus Entry, and the East Senior Hall Entry, are designated entry areas before school and during lunch hour. Students and visitors entering the building after those designated times MUST use the main entrance and check-in at the front desk.

### **STUDENT DROP-OFF/PICK-UP GUIDELINES & EXPECTATIONS**

**In efforts to alleviate drop off and pick-up congestion, we have organized our guidelines and expectations for student drop-off and pick-up. As you review the map, and the new drop-off and pick-up locations, please be reminded of the following norms:**

1. To avoid congestion please drop off your son or daughter early. The busiest times this year will typically be between 8:45 - 9:00am.
2. Frequently remind your student to use designated crosswalks.
3. Be mindful of bicyclists.
4. Be courteous drivers. Drive slow, allow people to merge back into traffic, and remind your student drivers to do the same.
5. Pull over to the curb for student drop-off.



## Safety continued...

### ***Pedestrian & Bicycle Safety***

Rocky Mountain High School is committed to the safety of ALL pedestrians and bicyclists on and around campus. Pedestrian, bicycle and vehicle congestion is extremely high before and after school hours, as well as during Rocky's scheduled lunch hours. To help prevent potential accidents involving pedestrians and bicyclists, RMHS continues to make a strong effort in educating ALL students on the importance of safely getting to and from campus. Please help in exemplifying the "Lobo Way" by adhering to the following safety guidelines involving pedestrian and bicycle traffic in our community:

- All pedestrians travelling to and from RMHS must use designated crosswalks on or near campus.
- Bicyclists must always dismount before using a designated crosswalk.
- Bicyclists are encouraged to always wear a helmet.
- Bicyclists should not use sidewalks when riding a bike.
- Bicyclists should not travel against vehicle traffic. Please use a designated bike lane when travelling to and from campus, and always follow all bicycle and traffic laws.



### **Bicycle Theft**



Students are strongly encouraged to always use a bike lock when using one of the several available bike racks on campus (East and West). Bicycle theft on campus is almost always a direct result of bicycles not being locked. In an effort to reduce bicycle theft, RMHS has instituted the following security measure:

Our security staff will periodically check RMHS bike racks and secure any unlocked bike with a lock and cable. Any student who has their bike secured with our lock and cable will be notified with an informal flyer directing them to the dean's office.

### **Electronics/Locker-Room Thefts**

Unfortunately, our Lobo community is not immune to property theft. The message we promote is "if you like it, lock it". When using our athletic lockers, always lock your property. Our security staff will periodically check our PE locker-room area and secure any unsecured lockers with a district lock.

"If you like it, lock it!"





## Drop Off/Pick-Up & Parking

In an effort to alleviate drop-off and pick-up congestion, we have organized our guidelines and expectations for student drop-off and pick-up. As you review the map (below) and the drop-off and pick-up locations, please be reminded of the following norms:

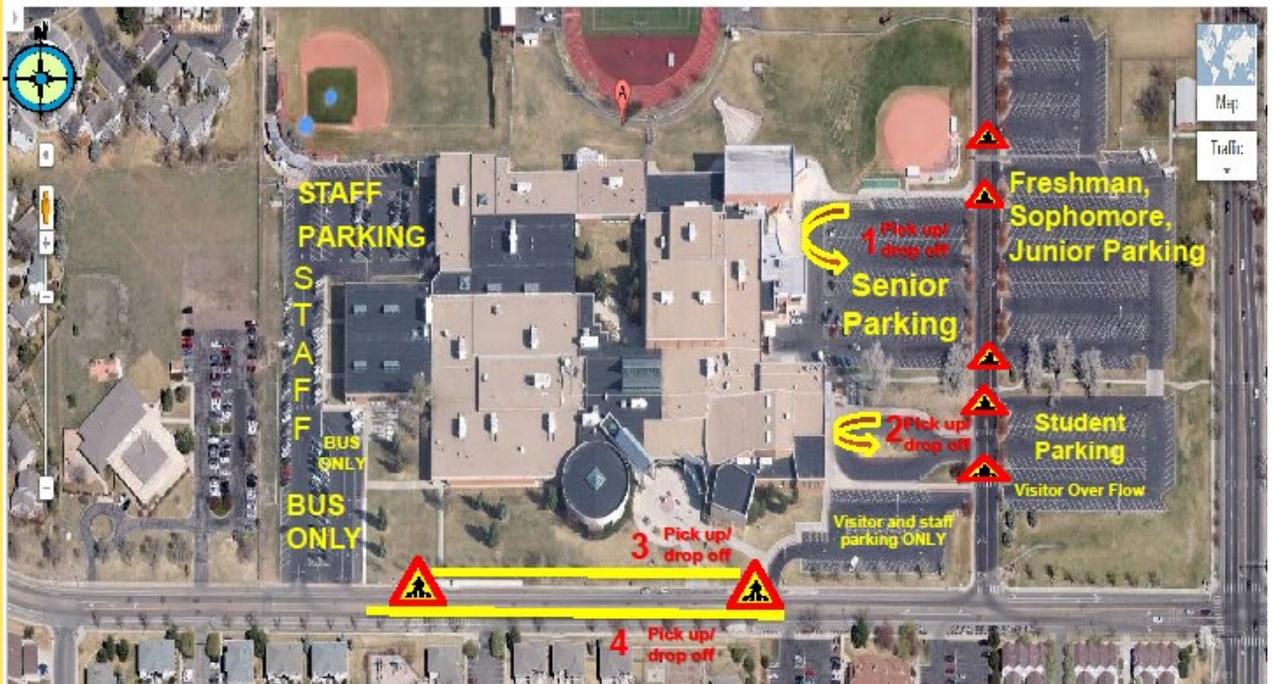
1. To avoid congestion, please drop off your student early. The busiest time is between 8:45-9:00 am.
2. Frequently remind your student(s) to use designated crosswalks.
3. Be mindful of cyclists.
4. Be courteous drivers. Drive slowly, allow people to merge into traffic and remind your student drivers to do the same.
5. Pull over to the curb for student drop-off

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN HIGH SCHOOL PROVIDES FOUR DIFFERENT DESIGNATED STUDENT DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP LOCATIONS: Always remember to remind your student to use the designated crosswalks when accessing our grounds.**

- 1) EAST 'SENIOR' PARKING LOT NEAR THE EXTERIOR ATHLETIC DOORS
- 2) EAST 'LOOP' LOCATED NEXT TO EAST VISITOR/STAFF LOT
- 3) NORTH SIDE OF WEST SWALLOW ROAD
- 4) SOUTH SIDE OF WEST SWALLOW ROAD (remind your student to use crosswalk)

**Students must have a valid parking hanger to park on campus.**

A parking hanger can be obtained from our CSO, Ken Smythe





## 2021-2022 Bell Schedule

### RMHS Bell Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

| Period | Begin Time | End Time |
|--------|------------|----------|
| 1      | 9:00 AM    | 10:28 AM |
| 2*     | 10:35 AM   | 12:12 PM |
| Lunch  | 12:12 PM   | 12:57 PM |
| 3      | 12:57 PM   | 2:25 PM  |
| 4      | 2:32 PM    | 4:00 PM  |

### Wednesday Late Start

Collaboration time: 8:00-9:00

Student Support Time 9:00-9:30

| Period | Begin Time | End Time |
|--------|------------|----------|
| 1      | 9:40 AM    | 11:00 AM |
| 2      | 11:07 AM   | 12:27 PM |
| Lunch  | 12:27 PM   | 1:13 PM  |
| 3      | 1:13 PM    | 2:33 PM  |
| 4      | 2:40 PM    | 4:00 PM  |

### Assembly Schedule

| Period   | Start Time | End Time |
|----------|------------|----------|
| 1        | 9:00 AM    | 10:10 AM |
| 2        | 10:15 AM   | 10:20 AM |
| Assembly | 10:30 AM   | 11:20 AM |
| 2        | 11:30 AM   | 12:40 PM |
| Lunch    | 12:40 PM   | 1:30 PM  |
| 3        | 1:30 PM    | 2:40 PM  |
| 4        | 2:50 PM    | 4:00 PM  |

### 2 Hour Delayed Late Start

| Period | Begin Time | End Time |
|--------|------------|----------|
| 1      | 11:00 AM   | 12:00 PM |
| 2      | 12:10 PM   | 1:10 PM  |
| Lunch  | 1:10 PM    | 1:50 PM  |
| 3      | 1:50 PM    | 2:50 PM  |
| 4      | 3:00 PM    | 4:00 PM  |





