



# Raider Notes

Rescue  
Elementary School

Todd McGinnis, Principal  
May 2025

## Principal's Message

Dear Rescue Families:

As we approach the end of the school year, there's a sense of excitement and anticipation among both students and staff. The final weeks are always filled with a flurry of activities and events, including field trips, award ceremonies, and end-of-year parties. With 3 weeks left, it is challenging to fit it all in.

For our 5th graders who are moving on, this is an especially significant time as they prepare to transition to middle school. We have been working closely with them to help them navigate this change and provide them with the tools they need to succeed in the next phase of their education.

Our classroom and teachers will be ready for Open House which is from 5:00-6:00 on Friday, May 9th. The PTC will also be holding an ice cream social in the multipurpose room too that night. The school will also be holding a plant sale during Open House to raise money for the garden.

Friday May 16th will be a minimum day, grades K through 5th will get out at 12:55pm. Friday May 23rd is the last day of class and a minimum day, grades K through 5th will get out at 12:55pm.

Our leadership students will be putting together a talent show on Thursday May 15th at 6pm. All are welcome to attend. Our Rescue Arts and Drama department will also be putting on a short play May 15th at 8am.

Our character count for May is a focus on creativity. It is this trait that I find really encourages the uniqueness of others. Creativity is something that lies behind behavior. It is behavior that is imaginative and inventive. Creativity is thinking outside of the box and having the courage to ask questions demonstrating curiosity and wonder. When kids are born and begin to discover and learn, that natural sense of creativity is there. Each student has a sense of creativity and it is important that we encourage that through their school experience.

Have a great May and end of the School Year,  
Todd McGinnis

## Calendar of Events

- Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> —Spirit Day Star Wars
- Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>—Incoming Kindergarten Parent information meeting
- Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>—CASSP testing continues 3rd-5th
- Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>— **Early Release**
- Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>— Spelling Bee
- Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>—Fire Drill
- Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>—Open House, PTC Ice Cream Social & plant sale
- Monday, May 12<sup>th</sup>—Spring Band Concert 6pm
- Tuesday, May 13<sup>th</sup>—5th Grade Field Trip Rivercats
- Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>— **Early Release**
- Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>—Kindergarten Field Trip Folsom Zoo
- Thursday, May 15<sup>th</sup>— Talent Show 6pm
- Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>—**Minimum Day 12:55 dismissal**
- Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>—Volunteer Breakfast 7:30am
- Friday, May 16<sup>th</sup>—Field Day TK & Kinder
- Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>— Rescue Arts & Drama Performance 10:00 TK-2 12:15 3rd-5th
- Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>—Field Day 1st-5th
- Tuesday, May 20<sup>th</sup>—PTC Meeting 5pm
- Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>— **Early Release**
- Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>—5th Grade Promotion 9am
- Friday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>—Last Day of School **12:55 dismissal**

## Drop off and pick up

The drop off areas are located in front of the school office. When entering the drop off area, pull forward. Please do not leave your car unattended unless you are in a parking spot. Please do not drop off your students before 8:40 a.m.

After the final bell rings in the morning, **we kindly ask that you move toward the front of the school or the parking lot area.** Our students enjoy seeing their parents, and stepping out of view helps our teachers start the day smoothly and allows students to focus. **When picking up in the afternoon, please remember to stay behind the designated signs.** This helps minimize distractions for students as they wrap up their day and ensures everyone can navigate the campus safely. Thank you for your cooperation and support in helping us create a positive start and end to each school day. We greatly appreciate it!

## Garden News

May in the garden will be all about pollinators: bees, butterflies, moths and birds. We will learn how pollinators help the garden grow.



## School Attendance

Daily school attendance is critical for a student's academic success. Parents are strongly encouraged to schedule medical appointments during non-school hours. Should your student be absent, please call the school (677-2720) by 9:00 am to report the absence. All students arriving after 8:55 am must check in at the office. It is important for students to be on time as it sets the tone for their learning for the day. Thank you for your support in your student's learning.

## Counselor's Corner

Happy May everyone!!

We have made it! It has been a long, but successful year! The students did great and thank you to everyone for allowing me to work with your kiddos this year! I will be back next year and look forward to seeing everyone. I want to wish everyone a happy summer and I hope you are able to get out and enjoy some family fun in the sun!

Summer brings a lot of free time, but it's important to make sure the kids stick to some sort of routine/schedule, get to bed at a reasonable hour, have some fun activities planned, encourage some reading time, and of course soak up as much time together as you can! Next year will be here before we know it! Have a happy and safe summer everyone!

Take care, Mr. T

Terry Libbon M.S., PPS  
School Counselor  
Rescue Elementary  
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## Rescue Union Food Service



### What's Cooking?

We have been busy menu planning for the 2025-26 school year and are excited by the new recipes we are introducing. These include a new flavor of breakfast smoothies – starting with Banana Blueberry, a Hot Ham and Cheese Croissant Sandwich, and Teriyaki Dunkers over Rice. Middle Schools will have a new Asian Noodle Salad and a Charcuterie Bistro Box. As always, we are committed to providing as many freshly prepared meals using minimally processed ingredients as possible and look forward to serving your students healthy and delicious meals next school year.

This month we are featuring strawberries from JSM Organics. Located in Royal Oaks, CA, this certified organic farm has been growing berries, vegetables and flowers since 2012.

## Rescue Union Food Service



Is your student leaving our district? Please read the following:

If you have a positive balance in your student's lunch account through Linq Connect, you can log in and move money from a promoted student into a sibling's account using the Linq Connect family portal. Help documents can be found [here](#). If you want a refund, please contact food services at 530-672-4466. **As of June 30th each year, any money left in an inactive student account will be considered a District donation.**

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## Rescue School Website

Communication is very important for our Rescue community. There are several ways to receive information for our school. We recommend families access our school website for school information and announcements. The school calendar will provide families with monthly events so you are able to stay involved and participate. Please note, Rescue School events will be preceded with "RS." If you have a Gmail account, you can sync the school calendar with your personal one! You will also be able to view the bell schedule for the 2023-2024 school year. Each teacher will be updating their own web links to the web page to provide information about their class for parents. Our PTC also has a link that shares important information on events and needs for community members. Lastly, Mr. McGinnis will provide a week at a glance to provide any important information or updates for families. This will be sent out before the coming week. A monthly newsletter will also be sent out to inform families of events at the school. Please contact your student's teacher or the school office if you have any questions.

## Rescue Parent Teacher Club

We're excited to introduce the board applicants for the 2025–2026 school year! These amazing volunteers have stepped up to serve on our school board, and we're so grateful for their willingness to support our students, teachers, and community. Without their dedication, many of the events and funding opportunities we've enjoyed wouldn't be possible.

### Elected to the 2025–2026 Board

- Treasurer – Barbra Hamilton
- Parliamentarian – Alicia Smith

### 2025–2026 Board Member Applicants

(These positions will be officially voted in following the upcoming bylaw update.)

- President – Travis Smith
- VP of Communications – Natalie Walling
- **VP of Events – Open**
- VP of Fundraising – Victoria Keitany
- Secretary – Brittany Stark

**We are still in need of a VP of Events—please reach out if you're interested in helping plan and lead our school's amazing events!**

Thank you again to all who have stepped up to serve. We look for-

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## TK, Kinder & New Student Registration

Packets are now available on the district website and in the office. We will begin accepting completed packets on February 5th.

TK children must be turning 4 by September 1, 2025. If your student already attends Rescue Elementary you do not need to re-register your student for Kindergarten or any other grade level.

<https://www.rescueelementary.org/Parents/2025-2026-Enrollment-Form/index.html>

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- **Fever:** If your child has a fever they are required to stay home until they are fever free for at least 24 hours without fever reducing medication (tylenol, motrin, etc).
  - **Vomiting and/or Diarrhea:** Please keep your student home until they have at least one full day of normal health (no vomiting and/or diarrhea).
  - **For Colds and Flu's:** If your child must be fever free for at least 24 hours (without fever reducing medications) and the cold/flu symptoms must be resolved or improving to return to school.



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## Music

### *4th & 5th Grade Music w/Mrs. Olson*

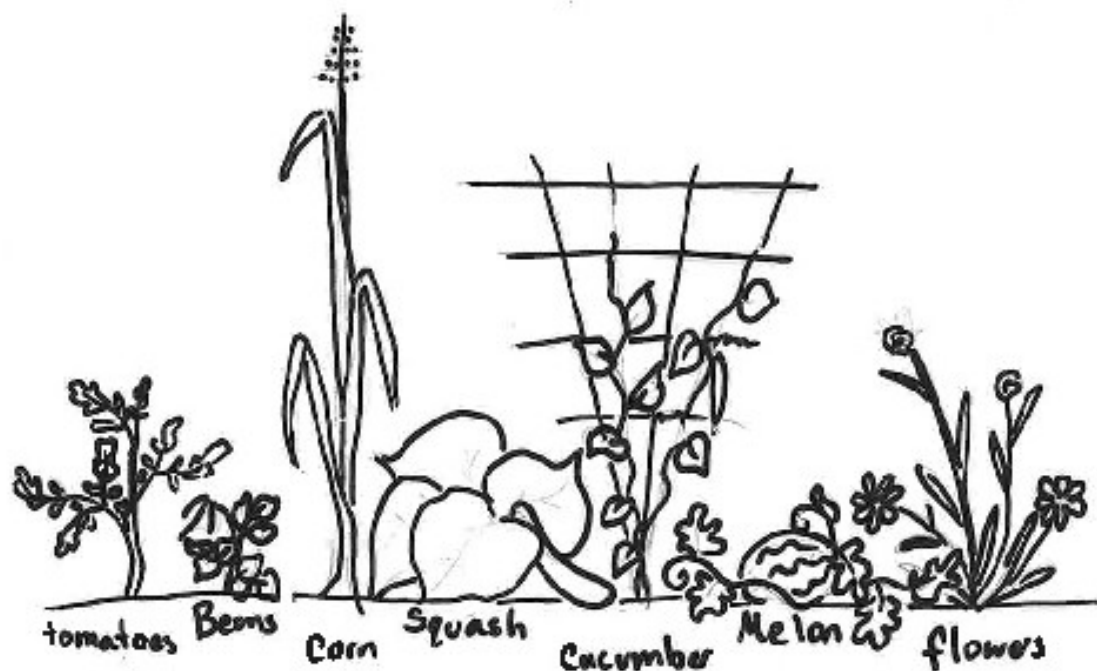
Our year of music is finishing up at Rescue with our Spring Concerts on Monday, May 12th! All 4th grade classes and the 5th grade band will perform at an assembly for the school at 2pm and an evening concert for families at 6pm. Please arrive by 5:45pm so your student is ready to perform at 6pm. For the evening concert, band students are asked to wear black or dark solid bottoms and a black or white top.

Thank you for the wonderful year of music! -Mrs. Olson

# Plant Sale

May 9<sup>th</sup> with Openhouse

There will be heirloom tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, squash, cucumbers corn, bush beans, flowers and melons. Plants are going to be sold for 4\$ for One or 10\$ for three.







# 2025

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- 1st: Principal's Day
- 2nd: School Lunch Hero Day & Spirit Day - Star Wars Day
- 6th: Last Dine Out @ Los Pinos!!
- 7th: School Nurse Day
- 9th: Spirit Day - PJ/Bed Head Day, Open House 5-6pm & Ice Cream Social 5:30-6:30 in the Gym!!
- 16th: Minimum Day & TK/K Field Day
- 18th: Speech Pathologist Day
- 20th: 1st-5th Grades Field Day & Last PTC Meeting of the school year @ 5pm
- 23rd: Minimum Day & Last Day!!! And → 5th Grade "Clap Out" at 12:40



Cool Off with Us  
After Open House -because what's better than ice cream with friends?

Sweet treats, good vibes, and cool prizes from 5:30-6:30pm in the gym!

At 6:00pm we'll announce the Read-a-thon Kindle winners!! Added bonus... it's a great chance to meet the 2025-2026 PTC Board candidates!

Come celebrate the year with us -we can't wait to see you there!

*thank you*

## SPONSORS WANTED

Rescue PTC is Looking for Sponsors for 25-26!

Own a business—or know someone who does? Help support local education and make a difference in our school community!

Interested? Contact us at: [info@rescueptc.com](mailto:info@rescueptc.com)

As the school year comes to a close, the Rescue PTC board would like to take a moment to thank each of you for your incredible support throughout the year. Because of your generosity, we were able to accomplish so much together!

With your help, here are some of our accomplishments this year:

- \$10,000 to support our Art Enrichment Program
- \$6,000 toward Curriculum Enrichment opportunities
- \$16,500 in direct classroom support
- And a variety of fun, free events for our students and families.

Your contributions made a meaningful difference in the learning experiences of our students and the resources available to our teachers—and none of it would have been possible without you!

From your current Rescue PTC Board, thank you! We are so grateful to be part of such a caring and involved community! Thank you for everything and we look forward to next year and the continued success of our new PTC Board members. Let's continue to make Rescue awesome!

## 2025 - 2026 PTC BYLAW PROPOSAL

We're proposing a change to our bylaws to help ensure we can fill open board positions—even if no candidates apply by the original deadline. This update supports smoother transitions and protects our nonprofit status. scan the QR code to check them out or come to our last PTC meeting of the year on May 20<sup>th</sup> in the staff lounge to vote!



SCAN HERE

## CONTACT PTC:











Email: [info@RescuePTC.com](mailto:info@RescuePTC.com)

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\*There is at least 1 typo in this document... if you find it, you're the winner!

# MAY 2025



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
27	28	29	30 Staff Appreciation: TK/K 	1 PRINCIPAL Day 	2 Spirit Day: Star Wars Day & Lunch Hero Day 	3
4	5	6 Dine Out @ LOS PINOS  	7 School Nurse Day 	8	9 Spirit Day: PJ/Bed Head OPEN HOUSE 	10
11	12	13	14	15	16 Minimum Day & TK/K Field Day 	17
18 National Speech Pathologist Day	19	20  1st - 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Day PTC Meeting @ 5pm	21	22	23 Minimum Day & LAST DAY  5th Grade Clap Out @ 12:40 	24