



# Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning

"As a K-12 community, the mission of the Rocky Mountain School of Expeditionary Learning (RMSEL) is to empower students and staff to be learners, thinkers, citizens, and explorers engaged in and inspired by the real world. We are crew, not passengers."

## December 10th, 2025: Message from the Executive Director

**Spirit Week Next Week**

1

**Wait Until 8th**

1

**Exhibition Nights**

1

**Substitutes**

2

Dear RMSEL Community,

A huge shout-out to Alisha and her incredible high school artists—the Rainbow Dome installation was an absolute triumph. Your creativity, collaboration, and heart beautifully brought to life the Expeditionary Learning Design Principles of the having of wonderful ideas, collaboration and compassion, and diversity and inclusion, and we are so grateful for the light you shine on our community.

In crew,

Tiffany Almon (she, her, hers, and why they matter)

Executive Director

---

### Spirit Week Next Week

We will have an ALL SCHOOL Spirit Week next week!

- **Monday – Spirit Day** – Come dressed in your RMSEL spirit wear to show support for the Boys' Basketball team!
- **Tuesday – Dynamic Duo** – Dress up with a friend as your favorite Dynamic Duo! (ex. Batman and Robin, Peanut Butter and Jelly, 6 - 7
- **Wednesday – Dress to Impress** – Dress up in your best outfit to impress your friends AND all our guests at Exhibition night!
- **Thursday – Trading Places** – Dress up as a teacher, friend, or famous person!
- **Friday – PJ Day** – Come to school in your comfiest pair of pajamas and slippers!

\*\*\*RMSEL Dress Code applies

\*\*\* $\frac{2}{3}$  has a slightly adjusted spirit week, see Allie and Caitlin's newsletter for details

\*\*\*K-1 will only participate in Friday, PJ Day to support the students in concentrating on iReady

### Wait Until 8th

At RMSEL, we believe delaying smartphone use protects students' well-being, reduces distractions, and supports their healthy social, emotional, and academic development. Partnering together as a community allows us to create safer, more connected learning environments for all children. Therefore, in addition to tightening up phone Yondring systems for students in 7th - 12th grade, I would like to encourage families of K - 7th grade students to sign the Wait Until 8th Pledge by clicking [here](#) and following the instructions on the site.

## **Exhibition Nights**

Exhibition Night for K - 6 is this Thursday, 12/11/25 from 5:30 to 7 pm and Exhibition Night for 7 - 12 is next Wednesday, 12/17/25 from 5:30 to 7 pm. Please join us for one or both nights to see the culmination of student work for semester 1 during this one of a kind celebration of learning.

## **Substitutes**

Help our students (including yours!) thrive by joining our substitute teaching team. See the joy of learning up close and make a difference today! Great substitutes look just like you. With flexible hours and earning up to \$160 a day, substitute teaching is an ideal way to connect with the community and set students up for success.

### **Becoming a Substitute Teacher is as easy as 1, 2, 3!**

1. Submit your fingerprints to CBI for CDE licensure
2. [Apply](#) under the authorization type you qualify for (1, 3, or 5-year)
3. Visit the RMSEL Main Office to apply!

To begin the process of being a substitute teacher in Colorado, visit [cdeinfo.org/substitute](https://cdeinfo.org/substitute).

We look forward to seeing you in the classroom!