



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 3rd, 2025: Message from the Executive Director

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Dear RMSEL Community,

I hope you and your family had a restful and joyous Thanksgiving/Gratitude break. It is wonderful to have our students back in the building, full of energy and ready to dive back into learning!

As we settle back into our routines, please remember that the semester is quickly moving toward its culminating celebration of learning: Exhibition Nights. These nights are integral to the RMSEL magic, and we are confident you will be impressed by our students' accomplishments, poise, and professionalism as they showcase their proudest academic achievements and growth from the semester.

Please take a moment to refer to our Field Notes for important upcoming dates, including details about Exhibition Nights and other end-of-semester events.

In crew,

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

Executive Director

iReady Testing

Over the course of December, our students participate in their second round of iReady testing. iReady is our diagnostic assessment that provides our teachers, students, and families with critical data regarding student achievement and growth in math and reading. This data helps teachers identify students areas for improvement and strengths which will guide instruction and interventions semester 2. Check communications from your student(s)' crew leader for dates of testing and please support our assessment efforts by helping your child to get a good night's rest, eat a healthy breakfast, and by encouraging them to try their best.

Phone Check-In Protocol for Middle and High School

Due to an uptick in phone usage in the hallways/bathrooms at RMSEL, we are now requiring all middle and high school students to Yondr their phones as they arrive to school instead of travelling up to their Crew Leaders classrooms before they Yondr their phones. This adjustment is designed to immediately minimize distractions, maximize student focus on the academic day, and reinforce a positive and safe school culture in our common areas, ensuring all students are present and ready to learn from the moment they enter the building. If you have questions about this protocol, please contact Bryan Terry or me, Tiffany Almon.

Open House

We have an open house for prospective students and their families THIS Thursday from 8:30 - 10am in our community room. Families should arrive early to check-in. Please share this information with any neighbors, family, or friends that have students going into kindergarten through 11th grade who might want to attend RMSEL.