



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."

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Dear RMSEL Community,

I hope you all enjoyed your Labor Day weekend and were able to relax and do the things that fill your cup and your soul. I want to take a moment to reinforce safety expectations that must be upheld in order to maintain the safety of our students and community members:

1. All visitors, including parents, must check in at the main office, run their ID through the Raptor system, and receive a visitor's badge if you plan to be in the building beyond the main office. If you are volunteering on a crew trip or field work, we still require you to have a visitor's badge if you are in the building. This helps us to identify quickly who has and has not been cleared through our Raptor system and who may or may not be safe to be in the building.
2. Please drive safely through the parking lot at all times. This means drive 10 mph or less, be aware of all pedestrians, and drive to the right of cones if you are dropping off/picking up and to the left of the cones if you are driving through.

If you missed previous communications for the 25-26 school year, please check out our website under [RMSEL News](#).

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

Executive Director

Positions

Great news! We officially hired a new Enrollment Coordinator, Kandice Wheeler! Kandice comes to us with a wealth of knowledge in operations and has been described as irreplaceable by former employers and has already jumped in with both feet training alongside Natalie this week.

Picture Day is TOMORROW

Orders should be placed online and will be delivered to the school within 4 weeks after photos are taken.

Step 1: go to orders.vangoghco.com/prepay

Step 2: Enter your information & School Code: 30024001

Step 3: select the package, background, style or order, and checkout

*Please note: If you would like a whole crew "class" picture, you must add it to your order.

Email sent out by DPS to RMSEL Families: Beginning-Of-Year BESS Screener Information

If you do not have another child at a DPS school, please disregard the email sent by DPS prompting you to complete the BESS screener for your RMSEL student. We will not have access to this data since we are not a DPS school.

ParentSquare

Thank you so much for your patience with our new communication platform, ParentSquare. The reason for shifting to this platform is to allow us to easily send text messages, emails, urgent alerts, and posts to the whole school, specific groups of parents, whole grade levels, and from teacher/staff to individual families. Whether it's event reminders, forms, schedule changes, or classroom news, ParentSquare keeps all of our school communication in one place.

As communicated yesterday, unfortunately, the first round of verification emails was also sent to all emergency contacts listed in Infinite Campus, not just guardians. To correct this, I have removed those contacts and will resend verification emails only to guardian email addresses. This means you will receive another verification email later this week or early next week. I apologize for the confusion and appreciate your patience as we get ParentSquare set up correctly. Once launched, we're confident it will be a valuable communication tool for our community.

Request for Substitute Teacher Applications

We are in need of substitute teachers. If you or anyone you know, who meets the qualifications, is interested in this position, please pick up a substitute teacher packet in RMSEL's Main Office between 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Substitute teachers are an important part of the RMSEL crew. Substitutes assist us in continuing the effective educational process provided by our team of teachers while they are receiving additional professional development or absent from their positions for another reason.

Description: Substitutes will establish rapport with students and staff, and follow the content of lesson plans as provided by the classroom teachers. We currently have substitute teaching opportunities available in all grade levels and subjects.

Qualifications:

- Positive attitude and perception about children and education
- Must hold current Colorado Department of Education Teaching License or Substitute Authorization

Salary: \$160/day; \$80/half-day