

FIELD NOTES

August 27, 2025

Tiffany's Corner

Click [here](#) to access Tiffany's latest communication to RMSEL parents. These communications are posted to RMSEL's website, under the News link on the home page.

Important Dates

- **Aug 29** Lost and Found Clean Out
- **Sept 1** Labor Day - No School
- **Sept 4** Open House **8 am**
- **Sept 4** Picture Day
- **Sept 5** PTSC Meeting, **8-9 am**
- **Sept 5** RMSEL Carnival, **5-8 pm**
- **Sept 7** 6 th Grade Crew Trip
- **Sept 11** DAC Meeting RM 201 **3:45 -4 :45 pm**
- **Sept 17** Half Day Conference/Book Fair
Dismissal at **11:35 AM**
- **Sept 18** Full Day Conferences/ Book Fair
- **Oct 1** Pancake Breakfast
- **Oct 5** Fun Run

Medication Deadline

In order to have adequate time for preparation of student medications and paperwork for crew trips, the following deadlines have been established for turning in medications for trips to the office. Please remember that all medication requires a completed and signed (by the physician) medication form. Medication must be in the **original, labeled container, with the student's name, dosage instructions, and expiration date.** Medications cannot be accepted after the stated deadline.

- **Aug 29** Grades 2-3
- **Sep 5** Grades 4-5
- **Sep 19** Grades K-1

RMSEL Office Hours

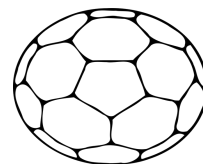
The RMSEL office is open daily from **7:30 am and closes at 3:30 pm.** All visitors to the campus must ring the doorbell for access and present a driver's license for identification at the office.



Middle School Sports Fall Sports Season

General Practice Schedule for:

- Cross Country
- Boys Soccer
- Girls Volleyball



Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 3:20PM -4:30 PM

Girls Volleyball: Tuesday from **3:20-5:10 PM**. If your daughter needs to attend academic support, she should go there first and then join practice afterward.

- **No Games/Meets this week.**
- **NO SCHOOL OR PRACTICE ON 9/1**

Fall Sport Media Day Schedule:

- Cross Country: Tuesday, September 2nd from 3:30-4:15 PM
- Girls Volleyball: Tuesday, September 23rd from 3:30-4:45 PM
- Boys Soccer: Tuesday, September 23rd from 4:45-6:00 PM

Please have players bring their uniforms. Cross Country uniforms will be handed out on **9/2** please have runners wear black shorts and running shoes. Thank you for your continued support. If you have any questions or need additional information please contact Carolyn ccarrillo@rmisel.org

RMSEL After School Enrichments

August 25th - October 2nd

After school enrichments for students **K-12**. Enrichment descriptions and signup forms are available [here](#) and in the document rack by the office.

Spots still available in the following enrichment classes: **Mondays**

- Girls in Sports **Grades 1-5**
- Knight Chess School **Grades 1-8**
Not a RMSEL Enrichment - Outside Agency
See flyer [here](#)

Wednesdays

- Music for Mindfulness **Grades 6-12**

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PTSC



RMSEL K12 Carnival

Friday September 5th, 2025

Pizza Food Truck! Mediterranean Food Truck! Ice Cream Truck! Games! Face Paint! Bingo! Photo Booth! Cake Walk! Crafts! Hair Paint! and more!

Save time at the gate: click [HERE](#) to preorder your tickets and T-shirts or scan:



We need your help to pull this off!

Sign up [HERE](#) (Donations, adults, Middle and High School student Volunteers needed)

RMSEL needs volunteers and you need hours!

Come have fun with your kiddos and our amazing community! Create those memories for a lifetime! Please click [HERE](#), create a login and then get background clearance info, bus certification info and learn about all the amazing volunteer opportunities for BOTH parents and students.

Please reach out to rmseiptsc@gmail.com with any questions!

Bagel Sign-Up is Back!



We need volunteers to run bagels from Einstein's to the staff lounge, as well as providing cream cheese and cleaning up at the end of the week. To sign up, click [here](#).

Service Hours Reminder



K-8 students = 10 service hours per year
9-12 students = 20 service hours per year
Families = 20 service hours per year
Families- log your hours [HERE](#)

Need ways to earn those hours? Look [HERE](#)



Thank you to everyone who already donated to our Teacher Appreciation Fund! We are still collecting funds! Click [HERE](#) or scan to donate:



Crew Trip Chaperone Meal Signup:

RMSEL has a longstanding tradition of providing meals for our incredible crew leaders, chaperones, and wilderness first responders (WFRs) upon return from a crew trip as tokens of appreciation. Each adult receives gift cards to one of their favorite restaurants or food stores and favorite beverages.

If you'd like to help, please sign up:

- [HERE](#) for the 7th and 8th Grade Trips
- [HERE](#) for the 6th Grade Yellowstone Trip

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The PTSC Fundraising Committee is excited to partner with the RMSEL community this year to make our school even better! Tiffany & Co. have identified four fundraising priorities for the year:

- Strengthening the Expeditionary Learning model through additional teacher training and professional development
- Purchasing a new gear van
- Funding a teacher grant pool that gives RMSEL educators resources to be creative and innovative
- Investing in the “look and feel” of the RMSEL building so our kids have a positive environment to learn in every day

You’ll have lots of opportunities to contribute throughout the year. You can also make a one-time donation and sign up for monthly contributions here:



Girls on the Run is coming to RMSEL Fall of 2025!



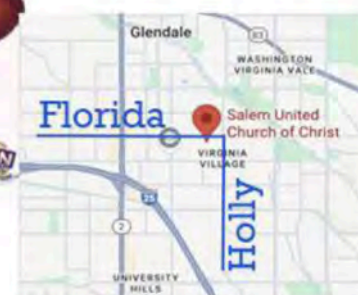
Calling all 3-5 grade girls! Join our new team starting in early September. Practices will be twice a week for 75-90 mins, including a GOTR lesson and time for training for the 5K GOTR race in November. Program cost is \$195 for the 10 week session. **Scholarships available!** The team will meet

on Monday and Wednesdays from 3.00 - 4.30 PM. Please contact Emily Brown for further details emily@estersdenver.com

Scouts Opportunity



Join Pack 376!
Boys and Girls
Kindergarten – 5th



- Build Character
- Leadership Skills
- Outdoor Knowledge
- Personal Fitness
- Citizenship
- Personal Safety
- Family and Reverence
- AND MUCH MORE.....

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Volunteer and Bus Driver Certification

All RMSEL volunteers must go through a background screening that includes fingerprint processing through the CBI and FBI. Fingerprinting only has to be done one time; it does not have to be renewed annually. You may access the Volunteer Packet at this [link](#) on our website. Bus driver certification is required before volunteers may drive RMSEL vehicles for trips. Bus Certification lasts for three years. Information for getting bus driver certification is included in the volunteer packet.

To complete your volunteer packet:

- Submit your fingerprint / background check
- Complete the volunteer packet paperwork

To be bus certified you must also complete these steps.

- Take the online bus driving tests
- Sign up for the road test

If you have any questions, please contact the office at **(303)759-2076**.

Volunteer Hours

Please use this [form](#) to log your volunteer hours for RMSEL. Add an entry each time you volunteer so we can accumulate an itemized record of each family's hours, and the overall community's service hours. As a reminder, each family is asked to give 20 hours per family annually. Thank you for modeling the Expeditionary Learning design principles of service and compassion for our students.

Student Attendance

You may email **Gemma Marshall** gmarshall@gmail.com with any concerns about attendance. If your child is absent from school, you may call the attendance line no later than 8:30 am, at **303-759-2076** and press **"1"** to notify the office, or email Gemma. Unverified absences will be marked as unexcused.

Clothing Donation Bin at RMSEL

85% of textile waste ends up in landfills, which equates to an astounding 22+ BILLION POUNDS of unnecessary dumping of clothes, shoes, and textiles into landfills each year. You can donate textiles (sheets, blankets, clothes, backpacks, jackets, stuffed animals, shoes, tablecloths, towels, purses, bags, etc.) Items should be bagged and dropped in our clothes bin located near the west end of the parking lot.

Lost & Found Update

Missing items? Check out the lost & found area located at the bottom of the stairwell to the left of the main door. The lost & found area is emptied prior to every school break or long weekend. Here are the clean out dates for the remainder of the school year: **Aug 29th, Sep 19th (after conferences), Oct 10th, Oct 31st, November 21st, December 19th, January 16th, January 30th, February 20th (after conferences) March 20th, April 17th, May 8th and May 19th.**

New Address or Email?

If you have recently moved or changed your preferred email address, please notify the office of the change. New addresses require a new proof of residency, usually a copy of a utility or water bill. Updating your email address is critical since the majority of RMSEL's parent communications take place via email blasts. Please email Natalie at nnewton@rmsel.org.

Belay Fund

At RMSEL, we are aware that a variety of factors, combined with changes in the economic climate, can cause financial difficulties for families. Expenses that might contribute to hardship include the fieldwork and landmark trip fees at RMSEL. No child should ever be denied access to RMSEL's program because of financial constraints. We are fortunate to have families in our community who have both the means and the heart to provide support for students in this situation. This relationship is formalized through the RMSEL Belay Fund. As those of you who have some experience in rock climbing know, when you are climbing, there are others who are on the ground handling your safety line. These folks are "on belay" for you. Our Belay Fund is available to provide some financial support for families who need it.

Please click [here](#) to learn how to apply for Belay Fund scholarships or donate to the Belay Fund.

My RMSEL Experience

Please complete this [short questionnaire](#) if you would like to share your RMSEL experiences for marketing purposes. Your quotes will be shared through our brochures and on our website to spread the word about the magic of

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RMSEL Spirit Wear Online Store

Our online spirit wear store is open! Click [here](#) to shop the store. You'll find everything from t-shirts and hoodies to crew trip essentials. New items and designs will be added monthly, so check back often.

All items are shipped directly to customers, and RMSEL receives a portion of every sale. Nalgene water bottles may be purchased from Natalie in the office, and are \$13 each.

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