

KEEPING THE RAMS REAL



This is KTRR News for the week of November 2nd, 2009 through November 6th, 2009 and we are Keeping The Rams Real...

SEVERAL ROACH BAND STUDENTS WERE SELECTED TO REPRESENT ROACH M.S. IN THE 2009 ALL-REGION BAND COMPETITION. THIS IS A HUGE CONTEST WHERE BAND STUDENTS FROM ALL OVER OUR REGION COMPETE FOR AN HONORABLE PLACE IN THE ALL-REGION BAND. MORE THAN 875 MIDDLE SCHOOL BAND STUDENTS AUDITIONED YESTERDAY FOR PHASE 1 OF THE TWO PART AUDITION PROCESS OF THE CONTEST. OUT OF THE 875 STUDENTS WHO AUDITIONED, ONLY 300 ADVANCED TO PHASE 2. WE WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE FOLLOWING 17 BAND STUDENTS THAT WILL ADVANCE TO THE SECOND PHASE OF THE CONTEST:

ANNIE WANG, RYAN JACKSON, WARONA MATHUBA, TORI TRIPP, ALEX BUCHANAN, ROMI GOLDBERG, RYAN KIM, KEREN PUGH, CHRIS MACCLOSKEY, EMEKA NWANGWU, SHAUN SIMS, JENNIFER HUCKABY, ROSS RHODES, CHRIS BROOKE, JOHN SHAW, PAOLA OCHOA AND COLTEN CHRISTIANSEN

THE GIRLS BASKETBALL TRYOUTS WILL BEGIN ON MONDAY NOVEMBER, 9TH FROM 4:00 - 5:30 PM. 7TH & 8TH GRADE GIRLS THAT ARE INTERESTED & ARE NOT IN ATHLETICS, PLEASE COME SEE COACH WHITE. ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A PHYSICAL ON FILE BEFORE NOVEMBER 9TH.

BOYS 7TH & 8TH GRADE BASKETBALL TRYOUTS WILL BEGIN ON WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER, 11TH FROM 7:00 – 8AM.

ATTENTION ALL ART CLUB MEMBERS. OUR NEXT MEETING IS NOV 12TH AND WE WILL BE TIE-DYEING ART CLUB T-SHIRTS THAT DAY. IN ORDER FOR YOU TO TIE-DYE A T-SHIRT, YOU MUST BRING A PLAIN WHITE T-SHIRT TO MRS. WATKINS OR MS. DECARLO BY NEXT TUES. IF YOU HAVE NOT PAID YOUR \$10 DUES, YOU NEED TO BRING IT ON NOV 12. YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO TIE-DYE A SHIRT UNTIL YOU HAVE PAID YOUR DUES.

**ATTENTION ALL 8TH GRADERS!
HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO MISS A DAY OF SCHOOL TO GO BOWLING,
PLAY VIDEO GAMES AND LASER TAG? IF YOU SAID YES, THEN IT IS
TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT YOUR GOALS. IN TRIBES NEXT
WEEK ALL 8TH GRADERS WILL BE SETTING GOALS FOR UPCOMING
TAKS TESTS THIS YEAR, AND THINKING OF WAYS TO IMPROVE YOUR
INDIVIDUAL SCORES. ONCE YOU HAVE SET YOUR GOALS, TAKEN ALL
THE TESTS AND SHOWN IMPROVEMENT ON THE TESTS, YOU MAY BE
SELECTED TO GO ON THE END OF THE YEAR IMPROVEMENT
CELEBRATION TO STRIKES! MORE DETAILS WILL BE GIVEN DURING
TRIBES NEXT WEEK. JUST REMEMBER ACCORDING TO DAVID JOSEPH
SCHWARTZ 'THINK LITTLE GOALS AND EXPECT LITTLE
ACHIEVEMENTS. THINK BIG GOALS AND WIN BIG SUCCESS!'**

**WE'VE DONE IT ROACH. WHAT? YOU MIGHT ASK. WE'VE EXTENDED
THE DEADLINE TO BUY YOUR YEARBOOKS AT A DISCOUNTED PRICE
AND HAVE A CHANCE TO WIN ITUNES GIFT CARDS. BUY YOURS NOW
BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE.**

**RAMS SPORTS:
7TH & 8TH GRADE FOOTBALL VS GRIFFIN ON NOVEMBER 9TH . 7TH
GRADE TEAMS PLAY AT WAKELAND HIGH SCHOOL. 8TH GRADE TEAMS
PLAY AT HERITAGE. ALL GAMES BEGIN AT 5:45PM.**

**FRIENDS OF RACHEL CHAIN LINKS CLUB ALSO NEEDS YOUR HELP IN
ANOTHER WAY!!
WE ARE CONDUCTING A CHILDREN'S BOOK DRIVE FOR THE USO.
SOLDIERS THAT ARE LEAVING FOR THE MIDDLE EAST VISIT THE
'UNITED THROUGH READING ROOM' AND GET TO PICK OUT AND READ
A BOOK TO THEIR CHILD. VOLUNTEERS RECORD THEM READING THE
STORY TO THEIR CHILD, AND THEN THEIR CHILDREN GET TO KEEP
THE BOOK AND THE DVD SO THEY CAN ALWAYS HAVE THEIR PARENT
ON DVD READING TO THEM.**

**DROP BOXES WILL BE IN THE CAFETERIA AND IN THE FRONT OFFICE
FOR YOU TO DROP OFF YOUR BOOKS. THEY CAN BE ANY NEW
CHILDREN'S PICTURE BOOKS. YOU HAVE FROM NOW UNTIL
DECEMBER 15TH, SO DON'T WAIT TOO LONG TO GET STARTED.**

**ROACH MIDDLE SCHOOL IS A RECYCLING CAMPUS. JOIN US IN
SAVING THIS BEAUTIFUL EARTH!
PLEASE BE SURE TO BRING ALL OF YOUR BATTERIES AND PLASTIC
SHOPPING BAGS TO ROOM 506, NEXT TO THE LIBRARY, AND**

CONTINUE TO RECYCLE YOUR E-M-P-T-Y PLASTIC, ALUMINUM, AND PAPER IN THE BLUE BINS IN EACH CLASSROOM AND IN THE CAFETERIA.

ROACH MIDDLE SCHOOL IS JOINING OUR TROOPS IN AN EFFORT TO PUT SHOES ON AS MANY NEEDY MEN, WOMEN, AND CHILDREN AS WE CAN. WE ARE DOING THIS NOW UNTIL NOVEMBER 18TH. PLEASE BRING ALL SHOES THAT YOU DON'T WANT, THAT CAN BE RECYCLED AND WORN AGAIN. NO FLIP FLOPS, HIGH HEELS, ATHLETE'S FOOT OR STINKY FEET, PLEASE!! WE NEED MOSTLY COMFORTABLE SHOES FOR ALL PEOPLE OF ALL AGES AND SIZES. YOUR OLD REUSABLE SHOES WILL BE RECYCLED AND GIVEN TO SOMEONE THAT CANNOT AFFORD TO BUY THEIR OWN SHOES. PLEASE TURN THE SHOES INTO THE SHOE BANK BY ROOM 506 NEXT TO THE LIBRARY. THANK YOU FOR HELPING NEEDY FAMILIES! FOR MORE INFORMATION YOU CAN GO TO SHOEBANK.ORG

KLEENEX

Students, when your nose is running would you prefer to reach for a soft tissue or an ugly, brown, scratchy paper towel that feels like sandpaper? If you like the softness of tissue then we need your help. We are asking for each student to bring 1 box of kleenex to school and give to your tribes teacher. If every student will bring 1 box, we shouldn't have to ask you for anymore this year and your nose will thank you for it!!! So please do your nose a favor and help out!! Hope we can count on you!!!

After School Expectations

Unless you are staying for tutorials or a planned practice that is supervised by school personnel, all students should be off campus by 4:15. No one should be hanging around at school unsupervised, waiting for a ride. Students need to make arrangements to be picked up immediately after school or immediately following your school sanctioned event.

Dress Code

This is just a reminder about school dress code for girl students: If you are wearing spandex leggings under your skirts or dresses, the skirt should still meet dress code requirements by reaching the end of your

fingertips when you arms are down by your side. If it does not meet this requirement, then you will be sent to the office for dress code.

After School Events

All Roach MS students are invited to after-school events to show support for your team. However, the students need to leave campus after school to go home and take care of their homework before returning for the games. All students that attend the any school events will be expected to follow the school dress code

Students will need to sit in the student section of the stands unless accompanied by a parent. Students are not to leave the stands to go to the restroom or concessions unless it is between games. NO food or drinks are allowed in the gym. If your dress or behavior is unacceptable, you will be asked to leave.

Homeowner Complaints

Roach Middle School and the police department have received complaints about students who walk home going onto other people's property in the surrounding neighborhoods. The homeowners have reported trespassing and theft because some items have been taken from porches. Students are reminded to stay on the sidewalk and off other people's property or they could be issued tickets or arrested.

School Closing/Delay Information

If there is bad weather, and a chance that Frisco ISD schools are closed, please listen to official school closing information from the following stations:

**TV: Channel 4—KDFW (Fox 4)
Channel 5—KXAS
Channel 8—WFAA
Channel 11—CBS 11
Channel 33—WB 33 (or the CW)**

**Radio: WBAP—820 AM
KRLD—1080 AM
MIX 102.9
106.1 KissFM**

102.1 The Edge
92.5 KZPS
97.1 KEGL (La Preciosa)
1190 AM KFXR
97.5 KLAK

There will also be additional updates at www.friscoisd.org.



School Reminders:

Here are some reminders for you while you are at lunch and between classes:

- **Do not throw away the plastic trays at lunch. Please take advantage of the recycling bins in the lunch room and throw away your recyclables!**
- **Nothing but water leaves the cafeteria - no food or drinks in the courtyard or in our hallways!**
- **Do not leave book bags, binders, etc in the hallways or on the tables in the hallways - that is what your locker is for!**
- **Students, this is a reminder that skateboards aren't allowed at any athletic ball games. If you are at a game with a skateboard, you will be asked to go home and then you will be allowed to return to the game only without the skateboard.**
- **If you bring any personal property to school, such as an iPod, or mobile phone, purse, or other expensive item, please realize that it is your responsibility if they get lost or stolen. Electronic items are not allowed to be used during the school day.**
- **Continue to make sure that you walk your bicycle across the pedestrian crosswalk and then walk it on school property. You are only allowed to walk your bike once you reach school grounds.**

- **If your parents bring you to school, please make sure they drop you off on the north or south side of the building. The front is reserved for school buses to drop students off.**
- **No students should be arriving on campus before 7:30 a.m. If you are being dropped off by your parents before 7:30 we are not providing supervision but do not want your safety to be in danger. If you walk or ride a bike DO NOT come on school grounds before 7:30 in the morning, unless you are here for supervised practices or rehearsals.**
- **If you leave the cafeteria any time after 8:10, please remember to stay in your classroom or tutorial until 8:30. No one should be in the hallways during that time.**
- **You should NOT be classrooms visiting teachers from last year. Only go to classrooms where you currently are enrolled.**
- **Please always walk on the right hand side of the halls. This will make it easier and quicker to get to your classrooms during the passing periods.**
- **You must leave all backpacks in your lockers when you go to class. This will also make it quicker to get to your next class. But don't forget to take your agenda with you because you will need it all day everyday. Not only can you use this to write down your assignments, but your hall pass is in the back. No one can be out in the halls at Roach without their agenda.**