

Rapid City Elementary



February 5, 2010

THE BOBCAT BROADCAST

February 23 Bond Proposal

Rapid City Elementary School is proud to be part of the Kalkaska Public School district. In 1992 this great district passed a bond issue making possible the amazing renovations to Rapid City School creating the beautiful facility we have today. It is now time for other buildings in the Kalkaska district to receive necessary upgrades and renovations equal to that of Rapid City. The KPS February bond vote does not include changes to Rapid City Elementary since we had our turn back in 1993 and are not in need of any upgrades or changes at this time. Kalkaska Public Schools recently passed a technology bond which has made a tremendous positive impact on Rapid City Elementary. Our computer lab now has all new computers, we have ceiling mounted projectors in the lab and all classrooms, wireless microphones and speakers in classrooms, document cameras in all rooms, computer wireless tablets for instructional use, along with many other behind the scenes upgrades in technology.

I want to thank all of you for the ongoing support you give to Rapid City Elementary School and Kalkaska Public Schools and encourage you to vote on February 23.

~Melissa

COUNT DAY

Pupil Count Day will be taking place on Feb. 10th. Please see to it that your child is at school and on time.

If your child is ill and unable to attend school, please send a written excuse into the school office.

DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY

Feb. 6

Annual Winter Carnival

Feb. 8

PTA Meeting

Feb. 10

Pupil Count Day

Feb. 12

Valentine Parties

Feb. 15

Mid-Winter Break

NO SCHOOL

Feb. 14

Valentine's Day

Feb. 23

Remember to Vote

MARCH

March 19

End of 3rd Marking Period

March 25

Parent Teacher

Conferences – **Half Day**

Students

March 26

Half Day for Students

and Staff

Guiding Ambition

WINTER CARNIVAL

AGENDA

9:00 am

Pancake Breakfast – 12 pm
 Craft/Info Tables – 2 pm
 District Health Dept. – 1 pm
 Teen Health Center – 12 pm
 Blood Pressure/Sugar Levels –
 12 pm
 Bake Sale
 For Sale -Bobcat Apparel

10:00 am

New!!! Outdoor Obstacle
 Course – 2 pm
 Kids Movie – library

10:30 am

New Prizes!!! Cold Cash Hill
 (4th, 5th and older)

11:00 am

Preschool Crafts – 1 pm library
 New! Inflatable's \$.25 charge –
 2 pm gym
 Face Painting – 2 pm
 New! Hayrides – 1:30 pm
 Snowshoe Nature Walk

11:30 am

Concession Stand – 2 pm
 New Prizes! Cold Cash Hill –
 (1st, 2nd & 3rd grades)

12:00 pm

Snow Shoe Nature Walk

12:30 pm

New Prizes! Cold Cash Hill –
 (Kindergarten and younger)

1:00 pm

Snowshoe Nature Walk
 New! Snow Cones and/or
 Marshmallow snowman – 2:00
 pm in the gym

RAPID CITY PTA'S ^{9TH} ANNUAL
WINTER CARNIVAL
 Saturday, Feb 6th 9am - 2pm

Indoor & Outdoor Fun

Free Admission

Pancake Breakfast



9am - 12pm

**\$2.50 Kids 10 & under
 \$5 Adults**

Sponsored by the
 Rapid City Heritage Committee

New this year

Events

Hayrides
 Outdoor Obstacle Course
 New Inflatables
 Crafts for Kids
 Snow Shoe Hikes
 Cold Cash Hill
 Art Display
 Health Screening



Craft Show

9am - 2pm

Woodwork, Jewelry, Knitted clothes, Pet supplies and more.

For more information or to reserve a booth
 Call Tina Fields @ 231-322-2787



Rapid City Elementary School
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Next PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 8th, 2010 in the Art Room. Free childcare will be provided. We hope to see you there!



Rapid City Student News

The third graders planted tomato seeds with Sandy from the Juniper Garden Club. They will track the growth of their plants and ultimately harvest and eat their own tomatoes. In the coming weeks each grade will be planting different types of plants, from flowers to potatoes to herbs. Watch for the garden to be growing right here in the school hallways!

The Juniper Garden Club also donated a worm farm to the students of RCE. The farm teaches the children about how the worms help to decompose food scraps and produce fertilizer.

First graders Caleb and Ayden help with recycling by emptying their classroom bins into the hallway collection bins.



HOW TO "BUCKET FILL" AT HOME

SUPPLIES

1 container per child/participant (*Clear buckets work well, but any jar, box or container will do*)

1 storage container to hold tokens

Tokens (*Any type of sturdy token will do. Good tokens include marbles, pebbles, poker chips, even dry beans*)

BUCKET FILLING RULES

Each time you catch your child filling someone's bucket, your child earns 1 token.

Each time your child informs you about someone else filling their bucket, they will earn a token. If that other person is a sibling, they both earn a token.

If you, the parent, notice an extraordinary act of kindness, feel free to give Bonus Tokens to reward extra acts of kindness or generosity.

If you catch your child Bucket Dipping, you will remove a token.

For siblings, if you catch your child being mean to their sibling, you will remove a token from the Dipper and give it to the other child.

Same rules apply for adults also participating in this program!

THANK YOU TO MRS. GURR AND THE STUDENT'S WHO ATTEND C.A.T.S AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR KEEPING THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE LOBBY LOOKING GOOD.



**ARE YOU SHOWING PRIDE?
RAPID CITY STUDENTS ARE.
PRIDE STANDS FOR
PARTICIPATION, RESPONSIBILITY, INTEGRITY, DEDICATION
AND EXCELLENCE.**

WAY TO GO KIDS!!!



PRINCIPAL'S CHALLENGE

So far the biggest challenge for Mrs. Heller is keeping the books in the right bins per grade level.

We apologize for books that your child may have brought home to read that are either above or below their grade level. We hope to have the problem alleviated in the near future.