



RYE NECK MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Start where you are. Use what you have. Do what you can. ~ Arthur Ashe

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DECEMBER EVENTS

12/06 C Day

12/07 D Day 8th Grade Team Mtg

12/08 E Day 6th Grade Team Mtg; Modified Basketball Practice Cancelled; Vax Clinic (MS Gym)

12/09 F Day PAC Mtg (1:15 PM)

12/10 A Day End of 1st Trimester

12/13 B Day

12/14 C Day 8th Grade Team Mtg

12/15 D Day 6th Grade Team Mtg; BOE Regular Mtg (7 PM/Community Room); Winter Concert

12/16 E Day 7th Grade Team Mtg

12/17 F Day

WEBSITE SURVEY

In our ongoing efforts to strengthen communications between parents, families, and the Rye Neck Union Free School District, a brief survey will be emailed to parents next week asking for feedback about our new website. Now that you've had a few months to explore the new site (<https://www.ryeneck.org>), we're eager to obtain your feedback on how helpful the website has been for staying connected and engaged since the school year began. The survey will include 10 questions and should take no more than 3-4 minutes to complete. The deadline to complete the survey is December 21st. We will use this information to assess our website's success and see how we can continue to make this site a helpful resource for you.



MASKS

The safety, health, and wellness of everyone in school is a priority. To that end, please take a few minutes to remind your child to ensure that they always wear their mask above the nose and below the chin.

Message from the MS NURSE

6th grade Medical requirements per NYS Public Health Law:

Immunization record reflecting Tdap vaccine required for all 6th grade students. Please forward to MS nurse at Amahmud@ryeneck.org or fax to 1(914)777-4881 if you haven't done so. Please see our district website for more information <https://www.ryeneck.org/domain/166>

7th grade Medical requirements per NYS Public Health Law:

Physical (done within the last 12 months) and immunization record reflecting Meningococcal Conjugate vaccine (Menactra/MCV4) required for all 7th grade students. Please forward to MS nurse at Amahmud@ryeneck.org or fax to 1(914)777-4881 if you haven't done so. Please see our district website for more information <https://www.ryeneck.org/domain/166>

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Parent-teacher conferences for grades 6-8 were held on Wednesday, November 17th. The 6th grade will have an additional parent teacher conference night on Wednesday, January 5th. If you were unable to secure a meeting for last Wednesday, please contact your child's grade level advisor for information on scheduling a morning meeting.

FOOD SERVICE

Breakfast service (including grab and go options) is available and free to all students. Students should enter at the high school main entrance at 7:50.

WALKERS AND BICYCLISTS

Parents, please speak with your children about being safe and respectful of neighbors as they walk or ride their bikes to school and home. Students should not cut in between cars, walk or ride bikes over private lawns and climb fences as trespassing is unsafe.

LIBRARY

The Library opened up for middle school students in October. Middle school students can visit the Library after school to work on homework! Seating is limited as everyone will need to be seated in a chair to be added to the contact tracing map each day. We will continue to do it day by day and place a sign on the door if we reach capacity. We're truly hoping that everyone who wants to be here after school will have a seat. If we see that a more formal "sign up" procedure is needed to allow equitable access while maintaining social distance, we can implement a system. Right now, we will accept students until we are full. If you have any questions or concerns, or just want to say hello, please feel free to contact me at

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costelloe@ryeneck.org or 914-777-4851, or our Library Assistant, Mrs. Vangala, at svangala@ryeneck.org. We're happy to help you in any way we can!

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT SENATE HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

Please donate these food items:

- brown rice
- whole grain pasta
- shelf stable milk
- canned meat/fish
- peanut butter
- cereal (whole grain)
- cake mix
- pie filling
- canned or dried fruit
- juice
- macaroni & cheese
- canned mixed vegetables
- canned corn
- instant mashed potatoes
- scalloped potatoes
- canned sweet potatoes
- canned meals
- stuffing
- cranberry sauce
- corn muffin mix
- canned green beans
- gravy (canned/dry mix)



BRING FOOD ITEMS TO HOMEROOM

All donations go to FEEDING WESTCHESTER