



Academy

Dear Parents, Students, and Supporters of Rockford Lutheran

Spring is here and summer is almost here. I hope everyone had a great spring break and is prepared for the ending of a great school year. I would like to praise the Lord for His death and resurrection. This time of year is so exciting because we get the opportunity to put our lives in perspective. It is a time where we can remember what Jesus did for us. It also gives us the opportunity to share this message with others. As I look at our wonderful school, I think how proud I am that we can share this message of Christ daily.

Our students show their faith by the actions they do in and out of the classroom. Our students are shining examples for other young people to follow. When I look at all the different things our students are doing, I swell up with pride. For example, we are proud of Ben Sturm and his accomplishments in the WYSE physics competition. In addition, we had several students receive superior rating in the IHSA solo/ensemble contest. We had students chosen for the Rock Valley College Juried art exhibition. We also had students chosen for the Young Authors conference and students selected for All-State in orchestra. All our sports teams are doing well and are exciting to watch. If you get a chance you should look at the website to find a date to come watch our young ladies and gentlemen perform. When I look at all that our students are doing outside of the classroom I realize that our school is helping our students excel in several areas such as leadership, dedication, and discipline.

It is exciting to see our students having fun. The 7th and 8th grade had a junior high rec night on the 17th of April. I had the benefit of seeing the children enjoying themselves outside of the classroom. The students were playing basketball, playing on an inflatable obstacle course and dancing. I hope all our Junior High students had a great time, I know I did.

There are so many exciting events and activities happening at the Academy as well. It was great to watch the fourth grade play. If you missed it, you missed an opportunity to see how amazing our younger students are. The Academy also had an art show and a wax museum. When I visit the Academy, I see students and teachers excited about learning and growing. The children at the Academy are full of fun and energy, and that is enjoyable to see.

As we end the year I hope everyone looks back at the school year with great memories. I will remember this year because of what are students have done and how much joy they have brought to my life. Our school would not be what it is without our wonderful students and parents. Remember there is always something going on at our school, so please check the website or contact the school to see what is happening in the month of May. I know our students would love to have people support them in all their activities. I hope that God continues to bless all that you do.

God Bless

Scott Erdman



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Igniting Minds and Souls

Calendar Clips

May

- 04 5th Grade to Midway Village
- 07 Moments with Mom
- 10 CPTO Mtg. 6:00pm table 13
- 11 Student Council Mtg.
- 12 RLA Book Fair- All Day
- 12 6th Grade to Miller Park
- 13 Band/Orchestra concert 8:15
- 14 6th Grade to Aldeen Park
- 14 Scrip Due
- 17 RLA Field Day
- 18 Field Day Rain Date
- 19 K Circus Day
- 20 5th Grade Celebration
- 21 Market Day Due
- 21 Scrip Pick Up
- 21 All School Chapel
- 24 1st Grade Severson Dells
- 25 6th Grade Graduation
- 25 Market Day Pick Up
- 26 PK Picnic & Last Day
- 27 K Celebration in Sanctuary
- 27 Last full day for K-5th
- 28 Report Card Pick Up Only

End of Year Reminders

The last full day of school is Thursday May 27 for K-5th Grade.



The 28th is report card pick up ONLY until 11:00am. School resumes August

18 for half day and the first full day of school will be August 19th. The office staff will be available during the summer time (at reduced hours) to answer any questions you may have or assist you in any way. Have a safe and blessed summer...see you next year!

Summer Explorer 2010

Starting in June 1 until July 23, we will be offering a summer explorer program here at RLA. Packets are available for pick up at the office if you have any questions or for information, email the summer explorer director Amber Dimond at adimond@rockfordlutheran.org.

Uniform Returns

Please make sure that your child has returned his or her uniform for any sports he or she may have been involved in this last year. We are still missing quite a few from basketball and cheerleading.

Foreign Exchange Program at Rockford Lutheran School

A significant part of the educational ministry at Rockford Lutheran School focuses on touching the lives of students beyond the U.S. borders. Throughout the years students from China, Germany, Italy, Mexico, S. Korea and other countries, have been a part of the Rockford Lutheran community. Aside from the challenging academic programming RLS offers to the foreign exchange students, they along with the RLS students and their families have grown through cultural immersion.

One of our goals for the upcoming year is to extend and enhance the educational experience our students receive by expanding the foreign exchange program. It is our hope that we will be host to 30 high school students from around the world, which will bring a variety of cultural diversity to RLS enhancing the educational experience throughout our school system.

We invite you to consider becoming a host family. The blessings host families receive are numerous, the most significant being the development of the relationship between the student and host family. The exchange program covers the exchange program expenses for the student including tuition, medical and personal items. The cost to the host family is minimal.

Beginning in the fall of 2010, an incentive program will be offered to RLS host families in the form of tuition credit for the host family's children enrolled at RLS. If a host family does not have a child in the RLS system, RLS will offer a stipend to defray the costs associated with hosting a foreign exchange student.

Please prayerfully consider becoming a host family. For further information about the program, please contact Kim Semmelroth at 815 -877-9551 x 126.

Scrip Reminder

Scrip orders need to be in the school office by 12 p.m. on the Friday they are due. Any orders submitted after noon will go on the upcoming Friday order. Scrip pick up is always the Friday following when the order is submitted.



A NOTE FROM THE NURSE

Please do not bring treats into the

cafeteria to any child but your own. There are children with life threatening food allergies in our school which include nuts, red dyes, dairy, etc. Birthday treats may still be brought to the classroom but please be sure to check with your child's teacher. Also, remind your children not to share their lunch with others.

2010-2011 Tuition Rates

The Board of Directors after prayerful deliberation, as well as input from Administration, set tuition for the 2010/2011 academic year.

- Half day Pre K, (MWF)
\$2475
- Half day Pre K (M-F)
\$2970
- Full day Pre K (MWF)
\$3564
- Full day Pre K (M-F)
\$4950
- Half day K \$3060
- K-6th grade \$5100
- Grades 7-12 \$5725

Additional fees due with first tuition payment:

- Consumables \$20

Class fees due when schedules are final

- Accounting \$30
- Art \$25
- Business Math \$20
- Science \$10

Fees billed per semester

Resource Room

- 2 days per week \$337.50
year
- 4 days per week \$675
Year

Fees billed as incurred

- Activity/Sports \$75 each
- Technology \$50

Fees billed monthly /as incurred:

- Before Care \$4 per hour
 - After Care \$4 per hour
 - Academic Support \$10 per hour (billed monthly)
- Jr/Sr High School fees due with first tuition payment:
- Technology \$50
 - Transportation \$25
 - Graduation (seniors) \$65
 - 6th grade consumables \$30
 - 7/8th grade consumables \$30