



QUARTERLY NEWS

WELCOME

Can you believe summer have gone by fast? With a blink of our eyes, school have already started. As a “stay at home” mom myself, I have to tell you how much I was happy to send my kids to school. Now I do have at least five minutes break to myself to do just nothing. Don't you feel related in this situation? Bless those teachers and staffs who welcome the children in their classroom with big arms and to teach through the year. Can you believe they spent at least 30 hours a week with the kids, even more than 30 hours with before and after school activities. From bottom of my heart, I salute to you RMDS staffs. Thank you for all you do!

It was great seeing familiar faces and new families on registration day. Thank you for stopping by our PTO booth and receiving information to share related to PTO events.

Did you know the PTO do have their own Facebook page. You can check it out anytime you want to learn the latest updates.

www.facebook.com/FamiliesForRockyMountainDeafSchool

Our first PTO general meeting of the school year is coming up on September 17th. We would love to see good number of people attend the meeting. Let hit off the great school year learning what to expect, seize any volunteers to get more involved, and sharing concerns that may need to be bought up during the meeting. Hope to see you there at RMDS board room at 10am.

SKATE CITY

It's back and ready to roll on the rink this year. The event was highly a success last year that by popular demand, we bought it back for the second year. We, PTO, hosted a fun social event for everyone at Skate City in Littleton. Students often asked when will the next event occur. Knowing it was something that brings the children together to have fun; we decided to resume this year by booked the rink ahead of time. You can see the date of event on the sidebar.

Did you know that it's a fundraising event? We get half of the admission cost to go toward the PTO fund. Recently, we had skate event on August 26. Everybody who attended had amazing time. Skate City had sent us the check for \$121.50. It'll go toward to our year goal of \$5,000 which will go straight to our RMDS students' needs at school. Now you know, every admission cost of skating, we get 50%. Bring families, friends, community, neighborhood, your dentist, your favorite grocery cashier. EVERYONE is welcome!

DATE TO REMEMBER

PTO General Meeting

- September 17
- November 5
- January 14
- April 8

Save The Date - Skate City

- November 18
- January 20
- March 24
- May 5

UPCOMING PTO EVENTS

- Trunk or Treat - October 28
- Parent Night Out - December 9
pending
- Sledding Day - Winter

PTO NEEDS YOU!!!

Volunteers are welcome and needed for each event.

Family volunteers are essential to our continued fun and success. There are many opportunities throughout the year to help the PTO and RMDS kids make the best of their school:

- Family Game Night
- Host fundraising event
- Parent Night Out
- Connect New Families of RMDS
- RMDS Ski Day

ADOPTIVE/FOSTER FAMILIES OF RMDS

Exciting news! We have seen the expansion families of RMDS who foster / adopt Deaf child into their family and currently enroll at RMDS. Per request by families, they wanted to have a support group. We are gladly to announce Betsey Tinker who's an adoptive mother herself will be taking over this amazing support group. If you are interested to be part of the group, please do feel free to attend the gathering. Any questions, you can contact Betsey Tinker. The flyer will be send out soon on date and location for the gathering. Look out for the flyer.



RMDS PARENT WALK



Second and Fourth Wednesday of the month, let meet at the trail after dropping our kids off at the school 8:20am. This is a wonderful way we can connect, enjoy each other company and a way to start our productive day. Both trail locations are close to RMDS.

Second Wednesday of the Month - Fehringer Ranch Open Space
 Fourth Wednesday of the Month - Harriman Lake Park

FUNDRAISING GOAL FOR PTO

I know fundraising isn't always fun but having our children attending charter school with limited budget provided is often challenging. That is where fundraising comes in picture. Fundraising is a great way to provide more for the RMDS students who can benefit from little to big things in the long run. Currently we have approximately \$1,200 in our PTO budget, I want to challenge everybody to raise the funds up to \$5,000 by end of the school year. After the discussion with Amy Novotny, RMDS Executive Director, we have agreed where the monies could be used for; ASL Family Camp which will occur in spring, school supplies for 2017-2018 so families and teachers wouldn't need to pay out of their pocket, staff appreciation week is always a great way we can show our gratitude to staffs, and provide discounts for families who would love to attend one of RMDS event but couldn't afford to. There are many more we would like to offer for RMDS students, which means we need your help to contribute by hosting an event, spread words to families and friends who can help out, companies who would be happy to donate and attend RMDS PTO fundraising event. We would love to see this accomplish by end of this school year. Throughout the year, we'll post where we stand with the goal of \$5,000!

