



Rosewood Elementary School

EAGLE EXPRESS

October 4, 2017

October's Life Skills Are: RESPECT AND HONESTY



Dates To Remember

Oct. 4	Int'l Walk To School Day
Oct. 9	PTO Mtg. 7:00 p.m.
Oct. 9	Student Walk for Life Parade
Oct. 13	Student Holiday
Oct. 10	Picture Day!
Oct. 27	Halloween Carnival 6-8 pm
Nov. 1	Report Cards Issued

ROSEWOOD WINS AWARD

Rosewood Elementary was recently awarded a Healthier US School Challenge Gold award from the United States Department of Agriculture. The goal of the Healthier US School Challenge is to improve the health of the nation's children by encouraging and creating a healthy environment. We already have many activities in the works for both students and staff to help us all stay healthy and active this school year!

So far this year we held the Rosewood PTO Boosterthon Fun Run which encouraged all students to focus on running and positive character traits while helping raise money for different school projects. We also have 27 teachers and staff signed up for the Palmetto Richland Breast Cancer Walk for Life in October, and we will hold our own Rosewood Breast Cancer Walk at school for students on Monday, October 9th. On October 4th, we will be celebrating International Walk to School Day with students and their parents walking together to school from either Sims Park or Publix parking lot. In addition, Girls on the Run is in full swing for girls in grades 3-5. Later this year we will also hold our annual Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser for the American Heart Association.

Let's continue to be healthy and active Rosewood Eagles this school year!

ATTENDANCE

The state of South Carolina and Richland County School District One have mandated that attendance be given a high priority. Attendance and truancy procedures will be strictly enforced.

Reasons for excused absences include: contagious illness, doctor or dental appointment, serious illness, death in the family, school sponsored field trips, and recognized religious holidays.

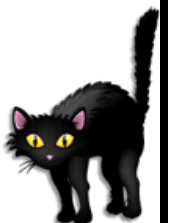
Please note that family vacations do not meet the criteria for excused absences. Family vacations should be planned for times when school is not in session. Any other reasons for requesting an excused absence must be submitted in writing to the principal in advance of the absence and should address the serious nature of the request for a student's absence to be excused.

- Three consecutive or five cumulative unexcused absences constitutes truancy, and an Attendance Intervention Plan must be implemented. Once an AIP is in place, a truancy petition will be filed for any additional unexcused absences.
- Only ten parent written excuses will be accepted for absences. Any additional absences must be excused by a doctor.
- Any student who is not in class for at least 50% of the school day will be counted as absent.

DARESCREAM!

Come join us for an afternoon and evening of FREE family fun activities at Baskin Robbins parking lot on Forest Drive, October 5 from 5-8pm. Join Richland County Sheriff's Dept and others for games, bounce houses, police demonstrations, live music, shag dancing and more!

Additional information is available at www.scdare.net/dare.





Did you know that you can sign up to receive emails from the Rosewood PTO? It's a great way to get reminders about upcoming events and to learn about ways you can get involved. Information will be coming home soon with information on how to sign up!

The Rosewood Halloween Carnival is coming up on Friday, October 27. Help us make it a success by volunteering your time and/or donating individually wrapped candy or non-edible Halloween prizes. Volunteers are needed for set up, games, and clean up. You can sign up online at <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/30e044eaea62ea7f49-the2017>. Candy donations can be sent to the main office starting October 23rd. Please avoid candies containing nuts.



BoxTops are accepted year round! Please continue to clip coupons (neatly, please) and bag them in groups of 25 or attach them to the BoxTops sheets. Also, please be sure to check the expiration date on the coupon!



MORNING ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

The first nine weeks of school is over, and everyone should have their morning routine in place. With over 400 students at Rosewood, most of whom are car riders, the morning carpool lines on Ravenel and behind the school can be challenging. On most days, however, the carpool lines do not become congested until 7:20. Students can be dropped as early as 7:10 a.m., and will be supervised by staff members in the auditorium. If your child is consistently tardy, adjusting your morning routine by only 5 minutes can make a difference in the amount of time spent waiting in traffic. We ask that you work with us to promote student safety during morning drop off. Please remember that Ott Street is not a student drop off location. Students should not be running across Ott Street in the busy morning traffic, walking between cars in the car line or walking through the faculty parking lot. Also, parents should not get out of their cars while dropping children off in the car lines. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in making our carpool line run more smoothly!



IMPORTANT LUNCH INFORMATION

Parents, we enjoy seeing you at lunch and ask for your help with a few procedures. When you come for lunch, sign in at the office and then wait on the bench until your child's designated lunch time. During lunch, you and your child may sit in the cafeteria or go to the patio. Refrain from sharing videos, games, and photographing children during lunch or while visiting school. Due to student dietary restrictions, remember food and candy can not be shared with other children.

Also, as many of you know, school lunches are free for all students this year. However, if your child brings a lunch from home and only needs milk, juice, etc., those items will need to be purchased. Milk is \$.40, juice is \$.35 and sporks are \$.15 each.

Richland County School District One's Mission Statement

We are Richland One, a leader in transforming lives through education, empowering all students to achieve their potential and dreams.

Rosewood Elementary School's Vision Statement

Rosewood Elementary, in collaboration with an engaged community, is committed to ensuring each learner achieves his/her potential in a safe, caring, academically challenging and diverse learning environment that will develop well-rounded, contributing citizens for a changing world.