

Hello Parents/Guardians of the RCK Community,

I hope this e-mail finds you all well. We are excited and proud to say that the school year has gotten off to a great start. We have had many positive things take place thus far that we are thrilled about.

As you know, Halloween is coming up on October 31st and we will be having 1/2 day of school. In the afternoon, our teachers and staff will be working with one another to strengthen and improve their craft, yielding even better instruction in our classrooms.

We will be allowing students to wear costumes on the half day, but we have a few reminders for the day. All rules of the Code of Conduct and Dress Code do apply. In addition, please discuss with your student that we will not be allowing masks, face paint, hoods or anything else that conceals ones identity. Even though some costumes may include weaponry, it is not allowed in school nor is anything else fashioned to look like a weapon. This is for the safety and security of everyone in the building. Due to recent events in our area, clown costumes will not be permitted.

Please encourage all students to not have their head phones on in the hallways. This is a request to help us support a safe environment focused on learning. Please remind all students to be on time. This year we are placing a big emphasis on being on time for class. This is to ensure that we are maximizing instructional time in all classes. When students are late to class it is a disruption to the learning that is taking place during class time. Furthermore, when a child is just two minutes late a day, they are missing the equivalent to about 9 class periods in the year. This, in addition to other absences, can have an adverse effect on your child's success. We feel that we have made a big improvement in this area and are hoping for your help as well. We thank you for your support! Your partnership is vital in the success of your child and in our school.

As your Principal, my door is always open and I welcome your input. Please feel free to connect with me and be a partner in the work to make this the best year at RCK.

Yours in education,

David Seipp, Principal