



# RAM News

16516 10th Avenue NE \* Shoreline, WA 98155 \* 206-393-4272 \* Dr. Sue McPeak, Principal

## Ridgecrest Elementary: Creating Change Together



### Table of Contents Page 2

HiCap Summer Testing Information

Spring Music Programs

Life Skill for May

Nurse Notes

### Page 3

Family Story Time

A Note from our Family Advocate

Calendar

News from the RC Library

PTA Information

### Page 4

Early Release Days in 2018-19

A Note about the Start of 2018-19

2018-19 Registration Information

**Friday, June 22 is the LAST Day of school. School will dismiss at 11:15 am**

1

### ABSENCES, LATE ARRIVALS, AND EARLY

Thank you to the families that are contacting the attendance office if their student will be absent or late. It is extremely helpful to receive this information in advance. Please send an email (and cc your student's teacher to be sure they know) to: [rc.attendance@shorelineschools.org](mailto:rc.attendance@shorelineschools.org) or call 206.393.1493. If we are unable to answer, please leave a message. Absences that are not excused within three days are permanently unexcused on your student's record.

2

### BREAKFAST

Elementary breakfast is only \$1.75; if your student qualifies for free or reduced price meals, breakfast is absolutely free! You are welcome to join your child at breakfast for \$2.75. Take one thing off your morning to-do list and have your child join us for a nutritious breakfast at school. Doors open at 8:05am.

3

### SAFETY REMINDER

For the safety of all Ridgecrest students, staff, and visitors we ask that you stop in the office to sign in and get a visitor's sticker even if you are only going to be in the school "for a minute." Then, please sign out when you leave. This helps us keep track of who's in the building in the event of an emergency. Thank you for your cooperation!

**LIFE SKILL FOR MAY:** Common Sense

## Shoreline Highly Capable Summer Testing Information

Registration for Highly Capable (HiCap) Program Assessment is open to any Shoreline student **not already screened or tested** during the 2017-2018 school year.

Testing will take place at the Shoreline Center on Monday, July 23, 2018.

**Link to Registration:** <https://goo.gl/forms/JAAQYGdLdle6XhrA3>

The deadline for registration is 4:00pm on Friday, June 8, 2018.  
Late registrations will **not** be accepted.

If you have any questions or have difficulty registering online, please contact the Highly Capable Program office at 206-393-4771 or by e-mail at [highlycapable@shorelineschools.org](mailto:highlycapable@shorelineschools.org)

## Spring Music Programs

You are invited to the Ridgcrest Elementary  
3rd Grade Spring Music Program  
(Laviola/Simmons, Ramfar, Gravett classrooms)  
Family and friends are invited and encouraged to attend.  
Thursday, June 7, 2018 in the RC Cafeteria at 9am

4th/5th Grade Spring Music Program  
Family and friends are invited and encouraged to attend.  
Wednesday, June 13, 2018 in the RC Cafeteria at 9am



## URGENT: Information Needed for 2018-19

Please notify Janina in the office if your student(s) will not be returning for the 2018-19 school year.

## Nurse Notes

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Families

Before starting 6<sup>th</sup> grade in the Fall, students who have turned 11 years old are required to have their Tdap immunization (Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis) completed. If

your student does not turn 11 years old until later in the school year, their Tdap vaccination will be due upon their birthday.

Please contact the health office with the date of the completed vaccination, so we may update your student's health record. Students not obtaining their vaccination will not be allowed to attend school until the vaccination is updated or an exemption form signed by the doctor and parent presents it to the school.



Please call the nurses if you have questions.

### Warmer Weather is Here!

Hoorah! Sunshine has arrived!

Please remember PE class **requires** tennis shoes. Please remember to wear tennis shoes and socks on PE days.

### Does Your Student Have Medication at School?

Please be sure to pick up your student's medication(s) on the LAST day of school. Medications and controlled substances CANNOT be sent home with students. Medications that are not picked up will be destroyed.

### Thank you!

Nurse Joan and Nurse Stacey  
[joan.forbush@shorelineschools.org](mailto:joan.forbush@shorelineschools.org)  
[stacey.chesnut@shorelineschools.org](mailto:stacey.chesnut@shorelineschools.org)  
206-393-4276

## Friday Family Story Time

### DID YOU KNOW?

Ridgecrest has a weekly story time for future Rams and their caregivers!

#### Friday Family Story

**Time** is every Friday 8:40-9:00 in the library.

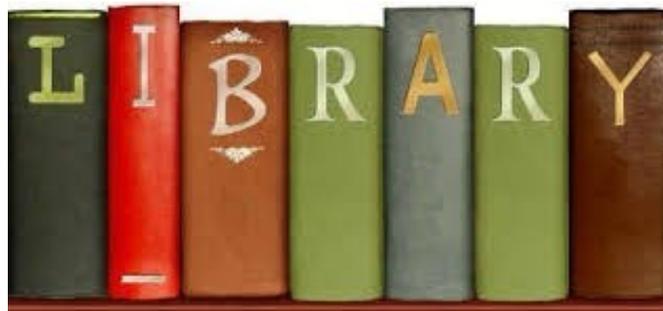
Join us with your child who is not yet in kindergarten.

We are enjoying stories, and connecting families to each other and school.

COME JOIN US!



## News from the RC



### An Important Message from Ms. Freeman

It's time to find those missing and late library books! All library books due **Thursday, June 7**.

Many books reappear as classrooms and desks are cleaned in June, so please wait a few weeks before paying for a book unless you know it is lost or damaged. If students cannot find a missing book by the last week of school, there are two options (but we would still rather have the original book, for your sake and ours!):

1. Purchase a new or gently used copy of the book (Third Place Books is a great source).
2. Pay the replacement cost and we will purchase a copy over the summer.

The library is sending out email and paper overdue notices so watch for those. If you have questions about your child's library record or overdue books please email: [joanna.freeman@shorelineschools.org](mailto:joanna.freeman@shorelineschools.org)

~ Joanna

## PTA Information

### RC PTA Newsletter

Here is the link to the current PTA Newsletter. Please take a few minutes to read through it as it contains a lot of important information:

[http://ridgecrestpta.org/Doc/Newsletters%202017/RCPTA\\_Newsletter\\_May\\_2018.pdf](http://ridgecrestpta.org/Doc/Newsletters%202017/RCPTA_Newsletter_May_2018.pdf)

## A Note from our Family Advocate

If you are interested in summer camps for your student and are in need of scholarships, please contact our Family Advocate, Evangelina Vederoff, by calling 206.393.1495 or by emailing her at [evangelina.vederoff@shorelineschools.org](mailto:evangelina.vederoff@shorelineschools.org)

## Calendar

### MAY

- 24 PTA Parent Meeting 7-8pm
- 28 No School - Memorial Day Holiday

### JUNE

- 5 5th/6th Grade Instrumental Assembly 2-2:45pm
- 5th/6th Grade Instrumental Concert 7pm
- 7 3rd Grade Music Program 9:15am (including Laviola/Simmons, Ramfar, and Gravett)
- 8 No School - Staff Work Day
- 13 4th and 5th Grade Music Program 9am
- 15 6th Grade vs. Staff Kickball Game 1pm
- 19 Field Day 1-2:30pm
- 22 6th Grade Moving Up Ceremony 9am
- 22 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL - **11:15am Dismissal**

## Early Release Wednesdays 2018-19 School Year

At their March 26, 2018 meeting, the Shoreline School Board unanimously voted to approve a recommendation to adopt a partial release calendar model to support student success through a [research-based instructional professional development model](#). This will change next year's school calendar (2018-2019) from a 175-day school year with full non-student days throughout the year to a 180-day school year with a weekly 100-minute early release for students on Wednesdays when there are five days of school. There will not be an early release during weeks when there are not five days of school, such as weeks with holidays or other non-student days. You can see the tentatively agreed upon calendar [HERE](#). You can see the committee's presentation slides and full recommendation [HERE](#).

### 2018-2019 Partial Release Wednesdays

- September: 12, 19, 26
- October: 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
- November: 7, 28
- December: 5, 12, 19
- January: 9, 16
- February: 6, 13, 27
- March: 6, 13, 20, 27
- April: 3, 10, 17
- May: 1, 8, 15, 22

For more information, please visit the School District page at [www.shorelineschools.org](http://www.shorelineschools.org)

## A Note About the Start of the 2018-19 School Year

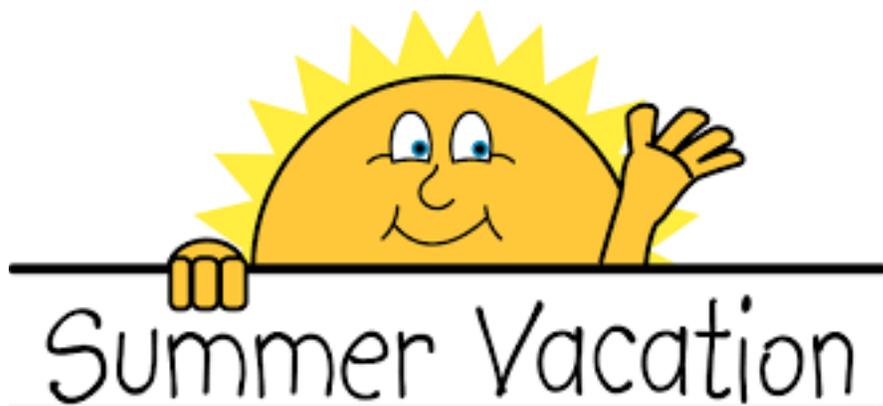
The first day of school for the 2018-2019 school year will be **Wednesday, August 29, 2018 (BEFORE Labor Day)**. Please make your vacation plans accordingly to not disrupt your student's attendance. The scheduled last day of school for the 2018-19 school year will be June 14, 2019.

## 2018-19 School Year Registration

Registration for Shoreline residents with students starting in the fall of 2018 is open. All families are invited to enroll their student(s) for the 2018-19 school year. If you have a kindergarten student, your child must be 5 years old by August 31, 2018.

To complete the registration process, parents should bring their child's birth certificate or passport, current immunizations, and valid proof of residency to the Ridgecrest office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8am and 3:30pm.

**NOTE: The District is CLOSED to new K-6 students living outside of the Shoreline School District.**



**June 22  
through  
August 28**

\* \*\*\*\*\*  
 Shoreline School District #412 does not discriminate against any protected classes. For further information on notice of nondiscrimination, including the address and phone number of the Title IX officer, visit: [http://www.shorelineschools.org/info/title\\_ix.php](http://www.shorelineschools.org/info/title_ix.php)  
 \*\*\*\*\*