



REID TRADITIONAL SCHOOLS'
Painted Rock Academy



Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have completed the first quarter of the 2013-2014 school year. With three quarters to go, I would like to make a few suggestions that I hope you will find beneficial in making this a successful educational year.

Getting your students to school on time is very important. When students come to school late, it gets them off to a hectic start. They are aware they now need to catch up, and often feel out of the loop. It is also uncomfortable, as most often the teacher has to stop the class to catch them up. Being on time is also an important habit to acquire.

Completing homework and turning work in on time is another valuable trait you can help us teach your children. This not only helps them academically, but it also helps them learn responsibility. Completing their work on time is their responsibility. Giving them the time and a place to do their work can be aided by you. Showing your student that you are interested in their education by insisting the work is done and requiring them to show it to you increases the desire to perform at a higher level. Too many students are choosing Opportunity Club daily, and it is easily avoidable by merely doing what's expected by both you and their teacher. Homework is given to enhance their education and is not a punishment for you or your student. It also helps create partnership between home and school.

Helping your student understand your expectations for behavior at school is also extremely valuable. Please help your children understand that just because you are not here with them does not mean you don't have the same high standards for behavior you have when you are with them. Teaching and learning does not happen when there is little or no order. If students know there is a consequence at school, as well as a consequence at home for inappropriate behavior, they are more likely to make better choices.

Painted Rock Academy is committed to providing your children with the best education possible. We cannot do that without you. We know with your help this will be a wonderful and successful year.

Once again thank you in advance for your support, and for choosing Painted Rock Academy for your child's education needs.

Sincerely,

Leslie Szostak
Principal

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Important Dates

November 2013

1 No school - Staff Development

4-8 Fall Book Fair

7 Family Fun Night

8 Spirit Day

8 Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m.

11 No School—Veterans Day

12 PROP Mtg. 6:30 p.m.

13 Progress Reports go home

14 High School Night (7th-8th grade)

15 Lunch Orders Due

20 Picture Retakes

25 Spelling Bee

27-29 No School- Thanksgiving Break

Board Meeting

The Board of Directors meets on the fourth Thursday of each month unless otherwise posted. All regular meetings are open to the public, and parents are welcome to attend. Board Meetings are held at the Reid Traditional Schools conference room at 14841 N. Black Canyon Highway. If you wish to contact members of the Board, you may send a letter to the school or leave a message at the Reid Traditional Schools office, (623)478-2344.

Health Office News

Mrs. Linda Winters, R.N.



All medications for students must be brought to the nurse's office by their parents. Students may not keep medications with them at school unless a doctor's permission slip is on file in the nurse's office.

Remember, hand washing is the best deterrent for getting sick during the cold and flu season.

Join us at the Reading Oasis Book Fair , November 4 - 8!



We will be open from 7:30 a.m. – 3:45 p.m. daily and 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Thursday evening. Don't forget to come join us for a special Family Night on Thursday the 7th, from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Don't miss out on the chance to pick out some great books with your kids and get to know some other families!

Hope to see you there!

Online Lunch Ordering is HERE!

To order your lunches online, just go to www.PaintedRockAcademy.com and click the "ORDER LUNCHES" link that is in the right column. The first time you use the online lunch ordering site, you will create an account. Within a day or two, we will confirm account, and then you may log in, order lunches, and pay online. The account set up only needs to be done the first time you use the site. If you would prefer not to pay online, you may print your own lunch order form from the website or pick one up in the front office and pay at school. Paying and ordering online helps us provide quick service and is more accurate, so we encourage you to use the new system. Lunches must be ordered in advance. December's lunch orders are due by Friday, November 15th.

The lunchroom always welcomes donations of peanut butter, jelly or jam, and bread for Emergency lunches. If your student receives an emergency PBJ, please send in payment for that as soon as possible. Emergency lunches include a sandwich and milk for \$1.



Painted Rock Academy's First Annual Book Drive was a SUCCESS!

Our library collected over 650 books. Thank you so much for your generous donations of books.



Boulder Club News

Students who go to Boulder Club need to come prepared to work on homework during the first hour. They need to have all necessary papers, books, etc. to complete their homework, as well as pencils, rulers, and paper. The handbook also states that all students need to have a book in their backpack in case they finish their homework before 4:30 p.m.

Lost and Found

There are a lot of jackets, lunchboxes, water bottles, and other miscellaneous items in the lost and found. Any items in the Lost and Found that are not picked up by Thursday, November 7th will be donated to charity. Please have your students check to see if they have any items in the Lost and Found in the Multi-Purpose Room.



High School Night

7th & 8th grade parents and their students are invited to come meet representatives from local high schools and districts on Thursday, November 14th at 6:30 p.m. You don't want to miss this! Come hear what each school has to offer your student.

Waiting List for 2014-2015 School Year

Now is the time to start talking with your friends about signing up at Painted Rock Academy for August 2014. We will be accepting new student applications for next year from November 4th through November 17th, and we will establish a waiting list order at the end of November, so have them sign up soon.

We also need to know if your family is planning to enroll any new siblings at Painted Rock Academy, for kindergarten or for other grades. We are glad to reserve spots for siblings of current students; please fill out a waiting list application for new siblings so we can hold their places.



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Sunday

Monday


Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

					1 No School Staff Development	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 Spirit Day	9
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				Family Fun Night 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Morning Assembly 8:15 a.m.	
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