

Del Mar News Flash

Bi-Weekly Del Mar Campus, PTA & Foundation News

August 21st, 2019



Key Dates:

August 21st

4 PM: Class schedules available on Alma

August 22nd

First day of school.
Early dismissal: 2:05.

August 26th

iPad distribution, PE suit and lock distribution to 6th graders and new students. \$30 donation (to "RUSD") requested.

August 30th

Principal Coffee 8:30 AM

September 2nd

Labor Day-no school

September 5th

Back to School Night 6-8:30

September 12th

PTA Meeting 8:30 AM Del Mar Library

Important Beginning of the Year Information



Class Schedules will be available on ALMA <https://delmar.getalma.com/home> beginning at 4 pm today-August 21st. If you do not remember your username and password, please try your firstname.lastname as your username and then hit "password reset." If this does not work, please wait until Thursday morning when hard copies of schedules will be available on the blacktop by the kitchen area before school, beginning at 7:50AM.

Regarding class schedules, our main priority is to minimize and balance class size in all academic classes. We will not be able to accommodate requests to change elective or other classes.

First Day of School -- Tomorrow-Thursday, August 22nd

School will begin at our normal 8:20am start time and will have an early release from school at 2:05pm on the first day only. Students will have an abbreviated 7-period day, along with some advisory class time and a school-wide assembly. They will begin the day in FIRST period.

Students should bring a sack lunch to school for the first

two days of school. Students may bring a backpack which they can carry from class to class until they have a locker assigned. The optional PTA lunch program begins on Monday, August 26th (see below under PTA). Students should also bring a healthy snack to school each day for break.

PE Uniforms/Locks

All **NEW** students (including all 6th graders) received a quad lock at Orientation today and will receive a PE lock and PE suit on Monday, August 26th. We ask that you send your child to with a \$30 donation check (written out to "RUSD") to help cover costs of the locks and PE suit. If you have a returning student who would like to purchase a new PE suit or a new lock, those will be for sale on Monday, August 26th. If needed, please send your child with \$15 for a new PE shirt, \$15 for new PE shorts and/or \$8.00 for a new lock. We also have some used locks for sale in the office for \$4.00. Del Mar "spiritwear" is optional, and will be for sale by the PTA through our website (see below).

Student Device Rollouts

All students will receive iPads on Monday, August 26th. All students will receive instruction and reminders in each of their classes about proper device usage, and care and information will be shared with parents.

Student Supplies

During the first few days of school, teachers will review with students a list of supplies needed for each class. The school will make available all necessary items needed in class, including headphones, during the iPad rollout. Families, however, may choose to purchase any item for their child if they prefer.

Picture Day

Students will be photographed by Dorian Studios on November 1st this year. Dorian has assured us that you will be able to purchase photos before the holidays.

Student Safety

Cars are not permitted in the school parking lot for drop off and pick up. Please discuss with your child where to meet each day after school and be sure to discuss an "emergency" plan should delays (i.e. traffic, bad weather, etc.) occur. **Please do not park in the parking lot at any time during the day, as these spots are reserved and needed by our staff.**

Please note the campus is not supervised before 8:05

a.m. or after 3:15 p.m. (unless there is a designated school activity previously scheduled).

Communications

We'd like to invite you to continue to visit our current school website. This will serve as a resource tool for all upcoming events, student/parent handbook, rules about cell phone use, dress code, and important reminders. We also email a Newsflash every other Wednesday, filled with valuable information. Our main phone number is (415) 435-1468. Our priority is to eliminate classroom interruptions, so it is greatly appreciated that you tell your child about his/her after-school arrangements before drop-off in the morning. Email is also a great way to reach the front office:

Brian Lynch, Principal, at blynch@reedschools.org

Ann-Marie Skaggs, Assistant Principal,
at askaggs@reedschools.org

Laurie Kristy, Office Manager,
at lkristy@reedschools.org

Heather Johnson, Office Manager,
at hjohnson@reedschools.org

Attendance

Please call the office on the day of your child's absence by 8:00 a.m. (435-1468, Option 4). This will eliminate the need for a call from the office. We expect students to attend school unless there is an excused absence-for illness, injury, a medical/dental appointment or a religious holiday. All other absences are marked "unexcused." Absence does not excuse a student from the classroom assignment. All assignments are available on the teacher websites. It is the student's responsibility to check the websites and make up missed work.

Students arriving late to school must sign in with the office and get a tardy slip before going to class. If you need to pick your child up for a medical appointment, please try to do so between classes, and be sure to remind your child to come to the office to meet you. If they must leave in the middle of a class, please send them with a note to give to that teacher so they can excuse themselves. We do not ever want to call into a classroom unless there is an emergency, so please plan accordingly! Any student leaving before the end of the day must be signed out by their parent or an authorized adult.



The RUSD Parent Teacher Association (PTA) welcomes you back to school!

The RUSD PTA is a membership-based organization that combines the efforts of parent volunteers, teachers and administrators to enhance the school experience for our children. The PTA coordinates parent volunteers, and sponsors many events and activities throughout the year. There are many opportunities to get involved, and we hope that every family in the district will participate in the PTA this year, both as members and volunteers!

1) Support the PTA by becoming a member!

The PTA relies upon annual membership dues, as well as yearbook and spirit wear sales, to provide assemblies, field trips, field days, parent education programs, teacher appreciation, and so much more! The suggested dues of \$30 per family provides a wide range of enrichment for our children.

[Sign up here for PTA Membership, and to purchase spirit wear - all in one place online!](#)

please note that you must know your child's teacher (or advisory teacher at Del Mar) in order to purchase spirit wear

Del Mar is NOT offering online yearbook sales at this time. You will be hearing from us in APRIL about yearbook sales!

2) Choicelunch - lunch service begins on Monday, August 26th, but you can start placing orders today! There are [new and exciting additions to the menu this year!](#)

RUSD is continuing our proud partnership with Choicelunch to provide school lunches for the 2019-20 school year. For more information and a sample menu, please [click here](#).

Sign up and order today at
www.choicelunch.com

Benefits of Choicelunch include:

- Easy online ordering through their website or

app for your mobile device

- Unlimited Choicelunch, a discounted monthly subscription program, with further discounts for each additional child enrolled in the program
- A small portion from every lunch purchased is **donated to RUSD PTA**



FOUNDATION NEWS



Welcome Back!

From all of us at The Foundation for Reed Schools, we hope you had a restful and enjoyable summer! We would like to extend a sincere THANK YOU to our generous community of families for helping us to successfully meet our \$2 million commitment to RUSD for the 2018-19 school year!

Please look out for us at Back-to-School and New Family events in the coming weeks. There will be information about Foundation volunteer opportunities, the 2019-20 Family Giving Campaign kickoff and Pledge Week 2019.

In the meantime, please mark your calendars with these important dates:

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10th @ 8:30 AM
Foundation for Reed Schools Welcome Coffee
FRS Office, Reed School, 1199 Tiburon Blvd., Rm 17

Join us for coffee and snacks as we share information on the Foundation for Reed Schools and opportunities to volunteer - there is something for everyone!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 4TH
Run for Reed (R4R)
Downtown Tiburon

Join us for the annual RUN FOR REED, the Foundation's 2019-2020 Family Giving Campaign Kick-off! R4R is a 1 mile and 5K race followed by a post-race celebration downtown. R4R is an opportunity for our community to come together to support our schools.

Visit www.foundationforreedschools.com for more information.

OCTOBER 7-11TH
Pledge Week

Our goal is 100% participation in the annual Family Giving Campaign! Join our generous community and invest in our schools. Early donations and pledges save valuable volunteer time and reduce fundraising costs.

