

Special Edition!



A Message From Superintendent Dr. Nancy Lynch

Introducing LearnStorm from Khan Academy

Dear RUSD Families,

We would like to invite you and your 3rd-8th grade children to join an exciting math learning challenge for students in our area!

From January 29th through April 1st, students in grades 3-12 can compete in the LearnStorm challenge (hosted by Khan Academy) by mastering skills on khanacademy.org. They can earn rewards and recognition for themselves and their school through their performance and effort.

LearnStorm ensures all students have multiple ways to be successful!

Since teachers are already using various adaptive and supplemental math programs like ALEKS, Front Row, Study Island, etc., this challenge is optional. However, some teachers have set up Khan Academy accounts and are ready for the challenge. These teachers will let you know by Friday how to access your child's account.

If your child does not have a Khan Academy account through their teacher, you can still sign them up at learnstorm2016.org by clicking "Join Us" and following the steps. We recommend that you use your child's district-given Google account when registering them. If your child does not know this information, their teacher can provide it.

As a parent, all you need to do is help your child sign up and encourage them to participate.

You can also browse the official RUSD informational page with more information here: <http://rusdmath.weebly.com/learnstorm-2016.html>

Respectfully,

Paul Devoto
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Reed Union School District

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### **From the Foundation for Reed Schools:**

#### **Make your Donation by February 20th to be Recognized in The Ark!**

**Support The Foundation and help us reach our \$2 million goal!** Every donation counts! Currently 22% of RUSD families have donated. Help us reach 100% participation! We Count on You!

**Donations to the Family Giving Campaign received by February 20th will be acknowledged in our March "Thank You" Ad in The Ark newspaper.** Credit cards are accepted and monthly payment plans are available. Go to [www.foundationforreedschools.com](http://www.foundationforreedschools.com) today! Thank you to the families who have donated already!

**Stock Donation Acknowledgement!** Thank you to those who have donated stock. If you donated stock please contact The Foundation office at [criedel@reedschools.org](mailto:criedel@reedschools.org) or 415-384-0628 so that we may correctly acknowledge your donation.

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From RUSD PTA:

Vote for your 2016 PTA Nominating Committee Candidates - The RUSD PTA is seeking PTA members to serve on the 2016 Nominating Committee for the PTA Executive Board. The committee will be comprised of 5 members and 1 alternate with knowledge of all 3 school sites and their volunteer communities, and must be confirmed by a vote of PTA membership. To vote, [click here](#) to download a ballot. Please complete and return to your school office by **February 9**.

Upcoming Parent Education Events: "Helping Teens Navigate Life"- Parent Workshop with Charis Denison and a panel of Teenagers - Feb 2, 2016, 7pm, Mill Valley Middle School, Multi-Media Room. For information & RSVPs, please [click here](#)

Choose ChoiceLunch! Put that lunch box to rest and sign up for your school lunch program. It's convenient, delicious and helps fund school programs sponsored by the PTA. Check it out [here](#)

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