



ROADRUNNER BEEPS

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Rock Canyon parents,

I am so grateful to have students back in school! As a faculty and staff, we have prepared as best we can to make the transition back to school as smooth and welcoming as possible. Thank you all so much for the patience and helpfulness you've shared with us. It truly has become a community effort to get the schools opened and prepared to stay open through the year.

The school theme for the year is "Stay on the Road". This message is meant to encourage each of us to remember that our focus is to provide a solid education for our students, even in difficult times such as these. Masks, handwashing, distancing, and such are necessary, and we could let ourselves get sidetracked with complaining or stressing about them. But we're not going to let ourselves do that. We will keep focusing ourselves and our children on the wonder of learning.

I am hopeful that we will have a fantastic year in spite of the pandemic, and our resilient children will continue to learn, grow, and become the amazing people we know they are.

Have a fantastic new school year!

—Principal Seth Hansen

MESSAGE FROM THE MAIN OFFICE

Parents, please call the school office if your child will not be at school.

The number is 801-374-4935.

Thanks so much!

MESSAGE FROM THE PTA

Welcome back to school everyone! I want to especially thank our Rock Canyon teachers, staff, and parents who have made the beginning of this school year run so smoothly. It has been wonderful to see everyone back at school, and I've been so incredibly impressed with our children's resilience in dealing with the changes that have been thrown their way.

As a PTA we are still committed to advocating for our children and our Rock Canyon community as much as possible. In addition, the PTA sponsors multiple activities each year, including Marathon in a Month, Screen Free Week, Safety Week, Teacher Appreciation, the Talent Show, and the Rock Canyon Extravaganza.

Here are some great ways to stay informed and involved:

- Join the PTA or make a donation. You can do it quickly and easily online at <https://rockcanyon.square.site> We actually don't receive any money for our school through PTA memberships, but a \$10 donation per

child would pay for our PTA budget this year! (And we will stop bugging you for donations. Win-Win-WIN.)

- Bookmark and check our PTA site for relevant school information. Our website is <https://sites.google.com/view/rockcanyon>
- Attend PTA meetings. We meet the last Wednesday of every month at 10 am

Please feel free to reach out at any time, we love our Rock Canyon community and look forward to having a great year.

—Briahna Bushman, 2020-2021 PTA President

LIBRARY CORNER

Hello and welcome back! We are so excited to try some new programs this year: BookHub (think Grubhub), Destiny Discover on-line, and Virtual Pop-In Storytime.

BookHub and Destiny Discover will allow students to safely check out books. Students in K-3 will order their books from a “book menu,” while students in grades 4-6 will be able to place books on hold using Destiny Discover. The library staff will then locate the books, load them into class totes, and then deliver them to each class.

Our Virtual Pop-In Storytimes are held Monday through Thursday at 10 am and 1 pm for students who are learning from home on those days. During each 20-minute session, the librarians will share new books and upcoming events and read a book or two. The Zoom link is: bit.ly/3iTVj7S and the passcode is 6LC1H7.

We are also excited to have a special guest join us for our Virtual Pop-In Storytime on September 2—author J. Scott Savage will be sharing his new release [The Lost Wonderland Diaries](#). We are huge fans of Mr. Savage’s books in the [Far World](#) series and the [Mystery of Cove](#) series, and can’t wait to hear about his newest

release. Please be sure to tune in at 11:00 am or 1:00 pm.

Looking ahead, we’ll be sharing our Provo Reads Theme and kicking off our Battle of the Books this month as well.

Be sure to check out our Instagram account for all things library [@rcmediacenter](#).

—Mrs. Meibos, school librarian

MARATHON IN A MONTH

While we cannot have a Fun Run this year, everyone can still participate in our Marathon in a Month. The kids will have one month (Sept. 14-Oct. 13) to run, jog or walk 26 miles. In addition to encouraging kids to be active, this is also an opportunity to raise funds for our school. Look for a marathon tracker and donation form in your child’s backpack soon.

SAFETY WEEK

Safety Week is just around the corner. Our theme this year is “I’ve Got the Power to Be Safe.”

From Monday, September 14 to Thursday, September 17, the PTA will be hosting fun activities to teach kids about Internet safety, being drug-free, and safely biking to school.

Monday, September 14 and Tuesday, September 15 are “Dress Like a Superhero” days.

Wednesday, September 16 and Thursday, September 17 are “I’d Be Crazy to Do Drugs” days, and kids can come with their craziest hair styles.

And to encourage safe biking, kids who bike safely to school will earn small rewards all week long.

Rock Canyon Elementary School SEPTEMBER 2020



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Aug 31	Sept 1	2 Storytime with J. Scott Savage; 11 am & 1 pm	3	4 No School
7 Labor Day-- No School	8	9	10	11 No School
14 Marathon-in-a-Month begins Dress Like a Superhero	15 Dress Like a Superhero	16 Crazy Hair Day	17 Crazy Hair Day	18 No School
21 Picture Day	22 Picture Day	23	24	25 No School
28	29	30 PTA Meeting 10:00 am		