

## Upcoming Events

### Star Testing Window

April 27 thru  
May 11, 2009

Testing days:  
April 28 – ELA  
April 29 – ELA  
April 30 – ELA  
May 5 – Math  
May 6 – Math  
Science, Soc. Studies  
May 7 – Math,  
Science

April 28<sup>th</sup>

Field Study –

Ms. Willick's  
and Ms. Garcia's  
Class to  
Whiskeytown  
Environmental  
school  
8:45 – 1:00 p.m.

May 4<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation  
Pictures

### SPECIAL THANKS

Thanks to PTO for  
providing healthy  
snacks for all  
RPCS students  
during STAR  
Testing Week

“Thank you!”



“Today We Learn, Tomorrow We Lead”



## 10 Important Testing Tips!

1. **Have a Positive Attitude** - Approach the big test as you'd approach a giant jigsaw puzzle. It might be tough, but you can do it! A positive attitude goes a long way toward success.
2. **Get Plenty of Rest** - Each night before the test, you should get to bed early. Remember, your brain and body need sleep to function well, so don't stay up late!
3. **Eat a healthy breakfast** - Eat a breakfast with protein and drink plenty of water. Your brain needs fuel!
4. **Arrive Early** - Timely arrival helps to keep a smooth routine and to stay on schedule.
5. **Be Prepared** - Before the test begins, make sure you have everything you'll need – scratch paper, extra pencils, etc.
6. **Manage Your Time** - Scan through the test quickly before starting.

Answering the easy questions first can be a time saver and a confidence builder.



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## S.A.I.L.S. Sponsors New Computer Lab!

RPCS's after-school program has an impeccable reputation of supporting students after school with homework tutoring, structured fun and lessons in: organic cooking, guitar, Kung Fu, sewing and fun with technology each day. While these accomplishments are commendable, our after-school program was able to take their

support to an even higher level! The S.A.I.L.S. program found that RPCS students were in great need of updated technology in the computer lab. So they graciously sponsored a fantastic, innovative computer lab complete with 22 inch monitors.

We invite you to drop by the new lab and

check it out. We also invite you to visit the S.A.I.L.S after-school program to see first hand the valuable support they provide each student. Finally, we invite you to offer a big thank you to the program director, Ms. Beaudette, and the dedicated teachers, Ms. Madsen, Ms. Ashley, Ms. Beth and Ms. Marie.

“THANK YOU FOR THE AWESOME SUPPORT!”



## ROCKY POINT T-SHIRTS ORDER TODAY

The RPCS PTO presents the 2009 fabulous t-shirts and sweatshirts! T-shirts and sweatshirts are on sale now. Youth to adult sizes are available.

- T-shirts - \$10.00
- Sweatshirts - \$20.00
- Hats - \$6.00

Order forms available in the office or call Mona @ 225-0456



### Lost Something?

Please be sure to check the lost & found in the gym - it is overflowing with lost or forgotten hats, jackets, sweatshirts, lunch boxes and other items!

## Test Tips Continued

7. **Move On** – I'm Stuck!  
Those tricky problems can knock you off balance.. If you're still stuck, circle it and move on. You can come back to it later.
8. **Multiple-Choice Questions** -  
The process of elimination can help you choose the correct answer in a multiple-choice question. Start by crossing off the answers that couldn't be right. Then spend your time focusing on the possible correct choices before selecting your answer.
9. **Neatness Counts** -  
If your 4s look like 9s, it could be a problem. Be sure that your writing is legible and that you erase your mistakes. For machine-scored tests, fill in the spaces carefully.
10. **I'm Done!**  
Not so fast – when you complete the last item on the test, go back to review your answers, making sure that you didn't make any careless mistakes

*Let's all work together to support our students during state testing.*

## Parent, Teacher Organization (PTO) Events!

Rocky Point Charter School PTO Nominations of 2009-10 Officers Election will be held at regular PTO meeting **Wednesday, May 20, 2009 4:30pm in the Media Center**

**- WANTED -**  
All RPCS Parents!  
PTO Executive

Board is currently accepting nominations for the offices of: President, Co-President and Secretary. If you or a RPCS parent you know is interested in running for an open seat in the PTO office, PTO WANTS YOU! Nomination sheet in the RPCS office.

That's right, share the common bond and goal of helping create the best possible educational experience for our children. Together we can make amazing things happen! Hope to see you there!



*Working together to support our children's education*

## Volunteer Opportunities

1. Bench Refurbishing - We have many parents that are interested in helping with the campus project of replacing and painting the school benches. A parent club representative has agreed to organize a day for everyone interested to come together. If you would like to be added to the list of volunteers, please call Mona in the office.
  2. Snack Distribution: Testing week – April 28, 29 & 30 and May 5, 6, & 7<sup>th</sup> – We need parent volunteers to distribute healthy snacks to our students. Please call Mona for information.
- Re-cycling Coordinator -We need a parent to help a few students organize a school-wide re-cycling program at RPCS.

### **Donations Needed**

RPCS elective classes need board games and legos. All donations appreciated. **(Please note- donations do not fulfill volunteer hours)**