

**ROLAND-STORY MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**Thursday February 9, 2023**

**LUNCH**

**Thursday: Turkey & Bacon Pita, Baby Carrots, Applesauce Cup, Milk**

**Friday: Cheeseburger, Baked Beans, Strawberries, Milk**

**BREAKFAST**

**Thursday: Cheese Omelet, Apple Cinnamon Muffin, Apple/Banana/Orange, Milk**

**Friday: Cereal, Nutrigrain Bar, Apple/Banana/Orange, Milk**

**The girls locker room will be used by the visiting boys basketball team on Thursday, February 9. Please make sure your belongings are picked up and lockers are locked.**

**Softball Camp** fliers for softball players grades 5th and 6th are available in the office. Camp will be Saturday, March 25th at the MS Gyms in Roland. Deadline for sign up is Friday, March 10th. Form also available on Facebook and on the HS Softball website: <http://tinyurl.com/norsesoftball>

**Softball Registration**

- **3rd/6th Graders**
  - [Link to Register](#) (fill a separate form out for each kid)
  - \$100 Flat Fee - [Link to Pay](#)

- Practice typically starts after spring break, games will start the week of April 17th
- Game nights are still being determined

We are planning to organize an equipment drive and jersey sizing. The equipment drive will allow the exchange of softball equipment between families. Many of you have gently used items that other families would benefit from. The date is TBD.

**The softball team is once again selling Roland-Story apparel and gear.** There are 40+ non-sport/non-year specific items on the website (including youth items). All items are purchased online and shipped directly to you, while still being able to support your favorite softball player from the dropdown menu. We are raising funds for a new bunker drag. Thanks in advance for your support and Go

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<https://FANCLOTH.SHOP/LR3DC>

Store closes 2.17.23

**RSMS Extra-Curricular Attendance Policy:** RSMS students are expected to be in attendance for the entire school day in order to participate in athletic or fine arts practices, games, or concerts. A student cannot stay home in the morning because they don't feel well, come to school during the day, and then participate after school. They would be allowed to attend practice or game, but would not be able to participate. Students with an Excused Absence will be allowed to participate. Examples of an excused absence would be: doctor or dentist appointment, funeral, etc. These types of absence should be **pre-arranged** with the middle school office. A doctor's note is required upon the student's return to school in order to participate.

**Bertha Bartlett Public Library:** Just a reminder that the highschool and middle school will be combined for programming at the library and we will meet the first and third Wednesday of the month. February 1 will be “Cookie Decorating At The Library” and February 15 will be “Snowflake ID.”

**R-S PTO Presents: School Staff Monthly Recognition Program** - Let's recognize teachers, staff and administrators who demonstrate dedication, professionalism, excellence and FUN in the classroom! Anyone can nominate anyone – a student can nominate a teacher, a teacher can nominate a bus driver, a parent can nominate a member of the lunch staff, etc. There are NO SMALL gestures that shouldn't go noticed. Each month, a winner will be drawn from each school to receive a gift card to a local place of their choosing provided by the RS PTO. Nominations are due by the end of each month for that month's drawing. Please see the linked form for more information and to submit your nomination!

**[NOMINATION FORM.](#)**

#### **RSMS to offer “Skip the Trip” Iowa DOT instruction permit knowledge tests**

Do you have a student who is ready to take the operator knowledge test to get an Iowa instruction permit to drive? RSMS is now offering the test right here at school as part of the Iowa Department of Transportation's “Skip the Trip” program. In partnering with the Iowa DOT, RSMS can save families time, cost, and the hassle of making a trip to a driver's license service center for testing. Students will be able to take the web-based test in a more familiar environment that works to reduce test anxiety and increase success rates. Tests are overseen by trained school staff to assure the integrity of test results. To be eligible to take the remote knowledge test, your student must be age 14 or older and not currently hold an Iowa instruction permit. Students that have turned 14 prior to the testing date must sign up in the office and have permission given from their parent by either email or phone. Please email Mrs. Kowalke at [akowalke@roland-story.k12.ia.us](mailto:akowalke@roland-story.k12.ia.us), with any questions.

Students will have the opportunity to test on the second Tuesday of each month. “Skip the Trip” allows students to take their initial test at school as the first step in getting your student to be a confident driver. Once a student has successfully passed the test, the student will receive an email verifying a successful test. The student brings a copy of the email to the driver’s license service center along with the other required documentation that will prove their identity to be issued their instruction permit. Service center staff will verify passing test result emails with Iowa DOT records. Visit [www.iowadot.gov/mvd/realid/success.asp](http://www.iowadot.gov/mvd/realid/success.asp) to determine what documentation to bring with you to receive your student’s permit. To prepare for a successful knowledge test, students should study the Iowa Driver’s Manual and online practice test, both available at: <https://iowadot.gov/mvd/driverslicense/manuals-and-practice-tests>.

## **R-S MS PRACTICE / SHUTTLE SCHEDULE BOYS BASKETBALL**

**February 6 - 10, 2023**

### **BOYS BASKETBALL**

**M-T-TH-F – SHUTTLE @ 5:45**

**WEDNESDAY – SHUTTLE @ 3:45**

#### **MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6 – Shuttle @ 5:45**

Boys Basketball 8th vs. S. Hamilton (H) / 7th vs. S. Hamilton (A) 4:30

Dismiss @ 3:25 / Bus @ 3:35

Cheer Clinic 4:00 - 5:30

#### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7 – No Shuttle**

**Early Dismissal – 1:45 / 5-8 P-T Conferences**

Boys Basketball 8th vs. S. Gilbert (A) 4:30 / 7th vs. Gilbert (H) 4:30

Dismiss @ 3:25 / Bus @ 3:35

#### **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8 – Shuttle @ 3:45**

Boys Basketball 1:45 - 3:30

#### **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9 – Shuttle @ 3:45**

**Early Dismissal – 1:45**

Boys Basketball 8th vs. W. Marshall (A) / 7th vs. W. Marshall (H) 4:30

Dismiss @ 3:20 / Bus @ 3:30

8th vs. Iowa Falls-Alden (A) 4:15

Dismiss @ 2:50 / Bus @ 3:00

Cheer Clinic 1:45 - 3:30

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10 – Shuttle @ 5:45**

Boys Basketball 3:30 - 5:30