



RCMS Student Times

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Welcome to RCMS

By: Isaiah Jose

Hey everyone, welcome to Rancho Cucamonga Middle School, home of the lions. We're going to have a fantastic year with fun-filled activities planned for us. Mr. Lavallee, the teachers, and ASB welcome all you new students to the exciting times that are to come. Be ready for the new classes, new friends, and new experiences. Keep on reading if you want to learn more about our school.

You're going to have so much fun this year because ASB has so many activities planned. We're doing stuff like Fun Friday and Monday Madness. On Monday Madness we get to play games and do all these crazy things during lunch. On Fun Friday they tell you to wear stuff like hat and shades, they even have days where you dress up as your friends, it's so fun. We even have dances. The dances' admission is 4 dollars and you need a permission slip. You can dance, eat, or just hang out. It's great. Get ready 8th graders for Disneyland!!!!!! If you didn't know all the 8th graders are going to Disneyland at the end of the year. You also get to free roam across all of Disneyland. All you need to do to go is to be eligible for promotion, no suspensions this year and stay off the LOP list. If you're one the top 150 AR readers in the whole entire school you will be able to go to Scandia. Last year I went to Scandia. I had a lot of fun with my friend. So read people, Read!!!!

So if you're a 6th grader, a 7th grader, or an 8th grader don't worry its going to be a great year. You're going to have a lot of fun. So learn, make new friends, be nice, and just be you. It's going to be an awesome year.



Welcome Back Fellow Students!

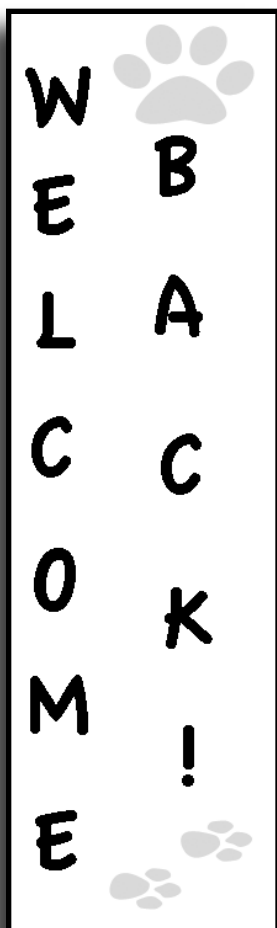
By: Christia Danielle Hernandez Distor ^-^

Hello students of RCMS! How is school so far? Did you meet new friends yet? Do you like your new teachers? What's your favorite class period? Are your classes interesting? These are the questions that you, me, and everyone else thinks about in our head. From my own experience, I can tell you that some of your classes are not as exciting and fun, but give your classes a chance. You will realize how much fun they actually are!

We can make this year the most memorable year ever. There will be various activities for everyone to enjoy this year! Your ASB members are planning several activities for us. We will have Dances, Monday Madness, Fun Fridays, and more! We will also have fun assemblies! If you want to know more about our upcoming activities, find an ASB member and they will gladly let you know about our entertaining events. In fact, why not introduce yourself to them? What is better than meeting the people who will be taking care of all the fun for your year?

Before all those fun activities, we still have to make sure that we do well in school! Don't forget that if we do well in school and get good grades, you

might get a reward. Remind yourselves about your A.R. goals! Reading helps you learn more vocabulary and it also helps your grades! If you don't have a book at home, you can check out a book from the library. The library is located between the B Wing and A Wing building. Remember to take a library pass with you every time you want to come in during school hours. Before you go, you have to ask for your teacher's permission. Your teacher might only let you go, if you have free spare time or if its advisory. If you have any questions in mind, feel free to ask any of our counselors. I hope you'll enjoy this school year! Have Fun!



Welcome 6th Graders

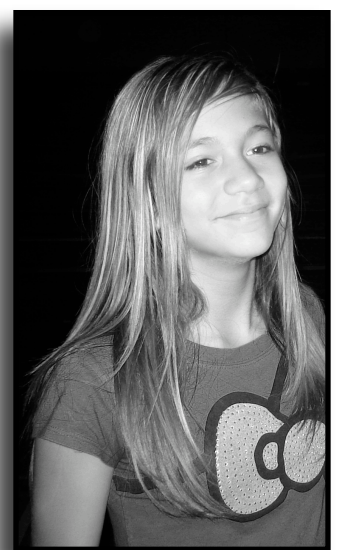
By: Angie Godoy

Hi there people!!!=] Well as you know every year there are always new students arriving (Mostly from 5th grade). For some it's exciting and for most kind of scary, but RCMS is a great place to be! I would know because I was new here too! I was really excited and a little nervous but over all it's a great experience. It's a great place to make new friends, and pretty much start a new beginning! It is a big change because most 6th grade students are used to having only one teacher but in middle school you have about 6 different teachers/classes!. At first it seems like a lot or you might think you're going to get lost but you won't. Trust me you will get very used to it very fast=] P.E. is also a big change. First of all, you have it everyday & you have to change into different clothes in less than 6 min. but, don't worry you will get used to it. ha-ha.... Well another major change is lunch. Well by now I'm pretty sure you know we only have one break instead of two or three. One mondays we have "Monday Madness!!!" during lunch time. It's a great way to have fun and try to get raffle tickets to win prizes!=] Well I think you're tired of hearing what I have to say, so why don't you hear what a few 6th grade students have to say about coming to Rancho Cucamonga Middle School!

Kiley Gallego

says,"When I first came to middle school I was kind of nervous, but as soon as I came through the gate I saw all of my friends!!!! I was so happy to see them!. The classes weren't that bad either. I got used to them by the end of the week=] I love middle school. It's so much fun. I'm super happy I've made so many new friends and still have most of my old ones=]"

Well thats all this time peoples!=] Till next time.....BYE!!!!!!:D



How Was Your First Week Of School?

By: Cindy Medina(:

Hello there RCMS students! Do you still remember how your first week of school was? Some people would say it was really fun! But yet, other people, like most of the new students might have thought it was kind of scary. They would not talk at all and they would wonder how they were going to make new friends. Other people, who might have attended RCMS before, might have been scared about what new friends they were going to make. Don't just stop reading, read more because it gets better!

As the days go by, finally, people start to actually talk to each other! Then they begin to make new friends and think, wow I can't believe I was scared to talk to these people! Have you ever thought that before? Don't be afraid to say it, if it makes you feel better I know I thought that before! It's almost like sixth graders! Ok well, almost all of the sixth graders were scared about how their new school would look like, what people went there, and where their classes were. And for all those seventh and eighth graders, you all remember how you felt when you first came to this school . . . right?

It's not only the sixth graders that get scared about their new school. It can also be new seventh and eighth graders. Some new kids say they weren't scared on their first day of school, when everybody knows they were lying! They had to be scared at least a little bit! I mean come on, am I right or am I right? While some people were scared to go to school, other people couldn't wait to go to school! They knew they had their friends in their classes, its going to be all awesome and fun, and all they want to do is see their friends. But once they are on their way to school, they might feel some butterflies in their tummy! Then they start to get all nervous. I know this for a fact! Well, I hope the rest of the trimester goes good for you! Bye!! (:



Summer Vacation

By: Nadin Adam

Although summer's long gone and school started, I'm pretty sure that a lot of people have visited a ton of places all over the country. Sadly, I did not go anywhere; just a few trips to the swimming pool here and there, but maybe some fellow students have visited places that may be exciting. Whether it was Las Vegas or maybe even Paris, keep reading to find out the scoop on who went where!



6th grade student, Carolyn Mcinnis went to Knott's Berry Farm with her family, and went to Long Beach with her cousins and family. She says it was a lot of fun. She'd like to go back to Long Beach sometime with her cousins, and maybe without her parents! How fun!

7th grade student, Aranza Arciniega stopped by to tell me some of the many places she visited. She said that she has went to Las Vegas, Mexico City, and San Francisco. Aren't those some really cool places?! I would've loved to go to San Francisco! Aranza and her parents walked barely half of the Golden Gate Bridge, but it was very long. In Mexico City, she we went to a lot of parties! I asked her which places she'd like to go back to, and she responded by saying Mexico City because that's where her family is at.

Last but certainly not least, 8th grade student, Kashmir Parra-Hernandez also spoke to me about her visits this summer. Kashmir went to Colorado Springs, and had a chance to just roam around Denver for a while! She hung out with her family, and made a couple of new friends. Kashmir says she loved Colorado, and that she plans on visiting it again as soon as possible! I'd say she was pretty lucky.

Well, that's it for now folks! Bye!

Why We Don't Have Sports This Year

By: Dexter Pun

Why don't we have sports this year is a question some of you have been wondering. And for most of you, you want to know the reason why we don't, but don't have the answer to that. Well if you want to know the reason why we don't have sports this year keep reading to find out!



One of the reasons we don't have sports this year at Rancho Cucamonga Middle School is that other schools that we play against cut sports meaning we have nobody to play against or compete with. Another is we don't have a budget for schools in the state of California meaning we don't know how much money we have to spend for each school. So we don't have the money to spend on sports or any other activity because of this. Also you may have heard that about a billion dollars is supposed to be headed to schools in California to help out the schools, but the money is being delayed. The reason for the delay is because the lawmakers in California cannot agree on a budget for the schools so they have pushed the payments to the schools even further past the original day of payment in September.

So the main reason why we don't have sports at Rancho Cucamonga Middle School this year is caused by several things, we don't have money to spend on extra things like sports, we also have no other team to play against or compete with, another is we don't have a state budget for the schools to spend meaning we don't know how much money we have, and another is that lawmakers in California cannot agree on the budget for the billion dollars for California's schools.

Rachel's Challenge

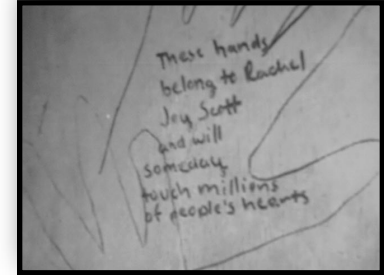
By: Kristen Barnard

The whole school has been learning about Rachel's Challenge. Rachel's Challenge was started out of memory of the first person who was killed in the Columbine High School Massacre. Rachel's Challenge wants kids to start a chain reaction. Rachel had a theory that if one person can go out of their way to show compassion then it would start a chain reaction of the same. Will you accept the challenge?

There are five things you need to do if you want to accept Rachel's Challenge. Number 1: Eliminate prejudice in your life. Don't pre-judge people. Number 2: Dare to dream. Write down your goals in a journal. Number 3: Choose positive influences. Read, write, and talk about positive things. Number 4: Random acts of kindness. Show people you care by just doing small kind acts. Number 5: Start a chain reaction. Do whatever you can for people. Many students signed the banner for Rachel's Challenge. Hopefully everyone who did starts a chain reaction. Here are some students from RCMS that accepted Rachel's Challenge and signed the banner.



When I asked what she thought about Rachel's Challenge an eighth grader named Brianna Easterday said, "I think Rachel's Challenge was very inspiring. It touched my heart and I almost cried when Rachel's brother was talking about his friends dying because I was thinking about my friends and if that happened to us." She thought it was great that Rachel's family has done with turning her death into something positive.



This is what a seventh grader, Alejandra Campos, said when I asked her about Rachel's Challenge:" I think that it inspires people to be nicer to everyone," she said that she accepted Rachel's Challenge because she would like to change, to be nicer and she would like to be like Rachel. She wants to be nice to new kids or people with disabilities.

When I asked a sixth grader, Nathan Mach about what he thought about Rachel's Challenge he said: Rachel's Challenge is sad because Rachel died, but it is also nice at the same time. He said that it caught his heart and changed him so thats why he accepted Rachel's Challenge. He doesn't think that he needs to start a chain reaction yet because he hasn't seen anything bad happen. Bye!

RCMS DANCE TEAM

By: Samantha Shedd

Hey! Hey! Hey! All you students of RCMS and especially all you dance lovers!. All of you must have heard of the schools past dance team...yeah I’m talking about SO EXCLUSIVE even though that was last years dance team I thought it would be nice to explain what being on the dance team is like. Last years dance team had a lot of people on it mostly girls and... a few guys but not very much but we made the best out of what we had. It was kinda hard trying to get everyone paying attention and everyone having to learn all the dance steps together. We were mostly doing a combination of hip hop and salsa but we got those moves down pretty quick, just in time for our student vs staff basketball game where we performed. If you didn't get to see it.. then you sure missed out on a BOMB! Performance but thats okay cause here are some people that did see it and some people that got to perform and what they had to say.

I interviewed Chantal Wilkens she said, “I had a good time performing and it was a good experience for me.” then Erin Sweeney had stated that “the dance team performance was good and I liked it a lot”. After talking with Erin and Chantal, I spoke with Jocelyn Lizardo and asked her “How did you like performing on stage” she replied I had fun with it and it was a cool experience. Well that’s pretty much all the interviewing.

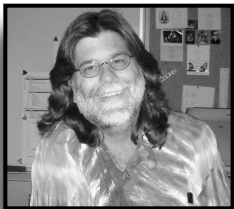
Now this is the exciting part, there is going to be a returning dance team this year as well so don’t forget that SIGNED permission slip because tryouts are going to begin soon. Just ask Mrs. Hill for more information. So learn some 8 counts grab yo sneakers put on some basketball shorts and hip-hop down to tryouts so we can see if you've got the exclusive :D



RCMS Electives

By: Belen Acosta

Electives! Who doesn’t love them? Seventh and Eighth graders get an elective. You can get into computers, art, and band. You can also get into year long computers, art, and band, or into ASB, or be an office aid. So all of you, get prepared for seventh and eighth grade because they are going to be memorable years.



In the wheel, you will explore the three main electives, which are computers, art, and band. In these classes, you will only learn a piece of what you will learn in the year long classes. So if you enjoy it in the wheel, you will surely enjoy it in the year long, or advanced classes. In the computer class, you will learn how to make a movie, explore photo booth, and do lots more fun things. In art class, taught by Mr. Preciado, you will learn how to draw (perfectly), make projects, and explore with all colors of paint. In music, you will learn how to read music, and even get to learn how to play the recorder! So explore these classes in the wheel, and pick the best! Good Luck!

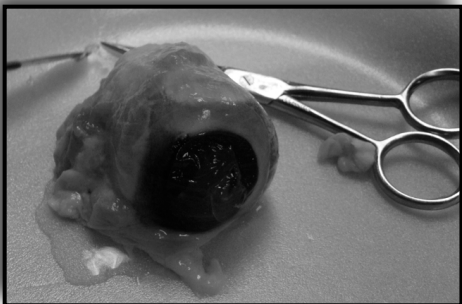
If you really loved one of the electives, you could also sign up for the advanced classes. If you wanted to sign up for the advanced computers, you will then get to make an article for the newspaper, explore more about the computers, and even make the yearbook with all of your classmates. If you wanted to sign up for ASB then you can write an essay, and you can be included in all the fun activities like Monday Madness, Fun Friday, and be involved with all the school dances. In Music, you can join the band and learn an instrument, perform at concerts and even play at Scandia at the end of the year! If you wanted to be in office aid, there you will be in the office, and take up all the papers that need to be taken up to where they have to go. So keep in mind what you want to do, and what class you enjoyed the most!

Eyeballs

By: Irvin Alfaro

Hello R. C. M. S. students and staff, hope you are having a great year at our school so far. I will be telling you guys a little bit of what’s going on in one of our seventh grade class. and that’s room 11 Ms. Gonzales. In September all of her science classes were doing a particular experiment on real cow eyeballs by dissecting them and learning about them inside and outside.

Although you may think it’s super gross, these students weren't afraid of touching them and cutting them open, probably the most horrible part of this experiment was the rotten smell of the raw eyeball. I asked some students who took part of this experimentation what they thought about it and I gotta say the girls were probably more fascinated than the guys. Some guys actually got grossed. I don’t know how Ms. Gonzales felt about it but I’m guessing she was probably a little disgusted after being in five different classes with everyone cutting them open. “Although I was in Mr. Mulder’s science class last year and dissected a baby squid, it would have been really cool to dissect some cow eyeballs”, said Josue Marroquin. Maybe for some lucky 6 graders, they will have Mrs. Gonzales next year and hopefully dissect eyeballs.

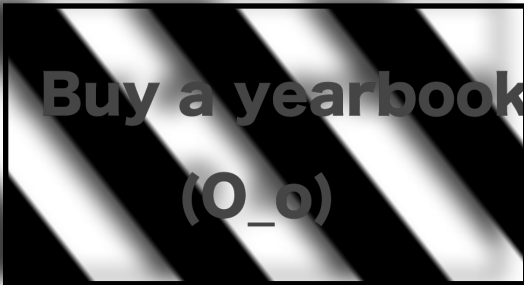


Yearbook!

By: Brittany Abujudeh

Hey 6th, 7th, and 8th graders don’t you want to remember your year at RCMS? Well if your answer was yes then you should keep reading about what our yearbook has to offer. If your answer was no that you don’t want to read about our yearbook then you shouldn’t read the rest of this article. But I encourage you to keep reading and maybe I’ll change your mind. Here at RCMS for the past years we have had many great yearbooks, and they get better every year. But if you are still thinking that our yearbook is \$50 then you are wrong. This year we have a special price to offer at \$35. The yearbook also has a DVD in that has videos of our school dances, and many activities. The DVD is about 2 hours long and you may be in it. We also add music so it won’t be boring. Also it has pictures on the DVD, well enough talk about that, lets talk about the yearbook. In it is all our pictures from 6th grade 7th and 8th that you took on picture day and the teachers. It also has pictures of students dressing up for special occasions, the clubs we have at our school, Monday madness, PE, and a lot of the things the students do on stage. The advanced computer class has come up with a theme for our yearbook, “Soundtrack To Life”. On the pages of it we have all kinds of designs and we make them look really cool.

So you see buying a yearbook will create many memories whether it’s your last year, first year, or second. Those of you who didn’t want to buy the yearbook I hope I have persuaded you to. And those of you who wanted to buy I hope I made you want to buy it more. The yearbook is cheaper so that gives more of a reason to buy it. If you do then on the last day of school all of your friends will sign it(I hope) and you will look back at what they said and laugh. (O_o)



Students and Teachers

By: Itzel Venegas

Hey you! Yeah .. you. 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. Remember the first day of school ... in 6th grade? Were you nervous .. and asking everyone what teachers they received or what lunch they had? I thought so! Well .. now think about it. Do you like or dislike your teachers or classes right now .. why? Oh and teachers, do you like or dislike your classes you get to teach? Think about it! Keep reading and you'll see the students that I interviewed.

I interviewed a couple of students. One of the students I interviewed was a 6th grader, her name was Dene Cablayan. I asked her who her favorite teacher is .. she responded and said," Ms. Delligatta." I asked, "Why and please be descriptive." "She is my favorite teacher because she is sweet, and I like the way she teaches as well." She also likes her 6th grade school year so far! The next student I interviewed was a 7th grader names Isaiah Nash Dulay. I asked him a different question. "What lunch did you have last year.. Is it the same lunch this year again too?" He answered,"I had first lunch last year and this year I have second lunch .. I think I liked first lunch better though." There's one difference there! The last student that I interviewed was Evan Perez. He's an 8th grader. I asked him what high school does he plan to attend at? "I think I want to go to Alta Loma High School." Evan said. "What are your goals in high school?" I asked. "My goals are to keep my grades up!" ~ So as you can see everyone has different opinions about first or second lunch, different opinions about favorite teachers or classes ,and high school!

I hope you enjoyed reading this .. now you should think about what high school you're going to and what teachers you should get for 7th and 8th if you're a 6th grader! Have an amazing year at RCMS!



Monday Madness and Fun Fridays

By: Matthew Snodgrass

Hello students of RCMS, I think that this year is going to be very good year. Well, the first thing is that on every Monday we will have fun activities at our lunches. Also on Friday we will have dress up day and we might have music outside during our lunch time. We do this every year but this year we are trying out Monday Madness. We do this so students can have fun during their lunches. I just know that this year our lunches will be the best.



Do you students want to know what Monday Madness is? Well Monday Madness is fun activities during lunch time. One of the activities is playing musical chairs, it is very easy all you do is walk around the chairs when you hear no more music you try to find a empty seat, and if all the seats are taken then you are out. Another game we are going to play is a hula hoop contest. A hula hoop contest is whoever can keep there hula hoop spinning the longest will win. Also another game is that you hold an egg in a spoon over your head then you have to run to the other side then you got to pass it to your friend. After you do that your friend has to run to the other side whoever gets to the other side first wins they win tickets for an MP3 player raffle. There are more contests but I will let you find out what else there is.

Fun Friday is the best day ever because you get to dress up also listen to music to during lunch time. There are a lot of activities. One of the activities is twin day what you do on twin day is find a friend and try to dress alike. Another activity is don't forget the lyrics. What that is, is when they play music you listen then when they stop the music you touch the desk, and whoever was the first one to touch the desk gets to answer, and if they memorizes 3 to 6 lyrics after the music stops they win the round whoever wins 2 rounds wins candy. Another thing is hat and shade day. What you do is, is wear a hat and shades and that's all you do that day. That is how you play those three games. Well hope to see you out there have fun!!! :)

What Makes a Good Teacher

By: Alyssa Roberts

Summer's over and we're back to school. We all have our preferred teachers, whether it's funny, calm, or nice. Everyone likes a nice teacher, but does being nice actually mean that they are doing a good job as teachers? I'm not saying that mean teachers are good teachers either; it's mostly your opinion on what kind of teacher you like. Some people like nice teachers who let you do whatever you want and some like strict teachers who actually teach you something.



Most students like it when their teachers give them a reward for doing well. It motivates them to do better in school because they think they'll always get rewards when they do well. I think you should try to do well without getting anything except for a good grade because you're not always going to get a reward when you do well in life, sadly but true.

Honestly, the kind of teacher I would like is the kind of teacher who is nice but would still teach us. I think a good teacher is one who explains the work that's on the board instead of just putting it up there and telling us to do it. The perfect teacher for me would be a teacher that explains everything clearly and tells us the homework and upcoming events. If our teachers didn't tell us our homework we could call the homework hotline or ask a friend, but if our teacher doesn't tell us about the upcoming events like the dances how will we know how to ask when they are or how much the tickets are?

Once again summer is obviously over and comes again May 26 the last day of school so, we should get our brains functioning again, with the help of our teachers that can happen... You know what I think a good teacher is so, now you think on what you would want your teacher to do to be a better teacher and in class you can ask them questions and they could do what you would like them to do....Maybe!

School Dance

By: Celeste Lauron

A popular activity that many students are anxious to experience is going to one of the school dances, especially the students that enjoy dancing or listening to music. It is a great place just to hang out with your friends after school, and even meet new friends! There are going to be 5 dances this year, the next dance is going to be the Halloween dance! The dates for all of the upcoming dances are: October 29th, December 10th, February 4th, April 1st, and no one could forget about the 80's dance that was on September 17th! The dances are in the RCMS gym and start at 2:40 and end at 4:40. You and your friends should go have fun at the next school dance!

The dances always have the new songs that you might recognize from your favorite radio station! You could also make a request for a song you want to hear. They also have snacks, glow bracelets, and necklaces that you could buy for around a dollar. There is also a chance you could be in the yearbook DVD! There are always people from the yearbook staff either videotaping people dancing or taking pictures. You will need a permission slip before you could buy a dance ticket. The dance tickets are four dollars, so it is a great way to raise money for the school!

I remember going to the very first dance last year. I was nervous because I thought we'd have to slow dance! My friends and I really wanted to go in the middle of the circle, but I was way too shy. This year we plan to face our fears! Overall I had so much fun, I could not wait for the next one! So, just wanted to let you know about my experiences! :D

In conclusion, the dances are a really fun activity to attend at school! There are many things that you could get out of going to a dance! For example, meeting new friends, hanging out with friends, being in the yearbook, etc. The dances may be memories that you will remember for the rest of your life! So when you hear about the next dance, make sure to buy a ticket for it at lunch time! I hope to see you there!



Vending Machines

by: Ginika Nwokeabia

Hi People! (Insert smiley face here.....lol) Don't you think RCMS should have vending machines because you don't feel like standing in the long lunch line? I sure do. It should be somewhere in the lunch area and it should have things like: A variety of chips, little packs of some type of cookie, Gatorades/Powerade, and cold water.

To the principal you should consider the idea of vending machines because it can qualify as a fundraiser for the school. If we get vending machines then hopefully it's this year so the eighth graders can have a chance to use it too. The principal, vice principal, and staff should have a meeting about this and debate on the idea.

So after you're done eating your lunch and you're still hungry then you can just walk over to the vending machines and pay for what you want. There should be about two vending machines because if there is only one then it would take a long time just for someone to get whatever their buying from the vending machine.

Simia says, "We deserve vending machines because right after P.E. everybody is out of energy and needs a drink to keep them quenched during their next class."

Samantha thinks, "Vending machines should be allowed on campus because if kids have money they can use it to buy something in the vending machines and with that money we can use it to refill the vending machines with other snacks or the same if the kids like it and it runs out too fast."

Taniecya said, "OMG vending machines should be allowed on campus because I get thirsty after P.E. and during class and the teachers don't let us out of the class to get a drink."

Diamond says," The food is tasty and all but sometimes I don't eat what they have for lunch because I don't eat that specific type of food."

Jennifer said," I think we should have vending machines because when students are done eating their lunch they are usually still hungry because sometimes there's only a little bit of food in the trays."

I'm done!!.....BYE BYE!!



Field Trips

By:Librado Mancilla

Hello students of RCMS. Are you wondering if we are going to have field trips? If we are having field trips, where would you like to go? I will try to talk to the principal to see if we are going on field trips and if we are where they might be. If you want more information continue reading.



Hopefully we will be going on field trips and hopefully, they will be good. If you recall last year, all of the 7th graders had a couple of visits from a museum that brought different types of animals. I don't think the 6th graders went anywhere. Also the 8th graders only went to Disneyland for the promotion. I'm going to see if any of the grades are going anywhere this year. Continue reading for interview with Mr. LaVallee. The first question I asked Mr. LaVallee was if we are going to have field trips and he said yes. I found out that the teachers will decide where the field trips are. The teachers deciding will be Ms. Delligatta for 6th grade, Ms. Schwartz for 7th grade, and for the eighth grade will be Ms. Crivia. Mr. LaVallee told me that they don't know if we are going out or people will be coming to our school. How well the field trips are depends on how much chocolate we sell because the more we sell the more money we have for field trips so sell! Mr. LaVallee said,"All grades will have field trips" so don't worry people every grade will have field trips.

In conclusion remember not all the decisions might be decisive. We could always hope that something might change that will give us field trips (or more of them). Another thing we could hope for is that no plans for field trip (if there is any) are canceled because of who knows what. I hope you found this article interesting and informative. Keep reading the newspaper for more and more interesting things. The newspaper will only get better and better. Before this article is over here's a riddle, enjoy. If you call the tail a leg, how many legs does a horse have? Four the tail is not a leg no matter what you call it.

Scrubs

By: Molly Gapper

You are probably wondering why an 8th grade girl is writing about scrubs?? Well did it ever occur to you that eighth graders are very curious these days. When I was writing this, I thought to myself, "Well what is a scrub?" I looked it up and it said, "a person or child with no experience". So does that mean anyone who is called a scrub has no experience? Of course it does because when you are in 6th grade you don't know much about our school.

I have interviewed some people. These are their responses. First an 8th grader. Molly Gapper: Do you like calling sixth grader scrubs? Earnest: No I don't!! I don't want kids to feel the cruelty I've been through. Happy school year! =) (^_^) [BTW when somebody calls you a scrub, tell me! >:)]

Next is a 7th grader. Molly Gapper: Did you like being called a scrub? Larry: Heck no.

Now a 6th grader. Molly Gapper: How do you feel when you are called a scrub? Anonymous: I'm never been called a scrub because my sister is always right by my side.

Last but not least, a teacher. Molly Gapper: Have you ever had a student complain about being called a scrub. Miss. Strong: not yet, but last year I had a lot!!

So now that you have seen and heard these people speak. Don't you think we have done a great job. So eighth graders keep it up because your going to be a scrub next year. Seventh graders your going to be a scrub in two years so stop, don't even try to act cool, or hurt other people's feelings. If they come tell me or anyone else your not going to be cool you're going to be hurt. Sixth graders as these days go by feel free to tell them. Don't be afraid, speak up RCMS. lets hear you roar! <(^_^)>

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What Do RCMS Students Find Interesting?
by Crystal Tan

Hey Lions! Ever wonder what your fellow peers are interested in? Well then you chose the right newspaper, well the only newspaper, well the only newspaper available at this school(insert smiley face here). Anyways, back to the point of this delicious article. The new “trends” of this year could range from crazy Justin Bieber lovers to candy maniacs. Find out what everybody else thinks!

Let’s take a look at previous trends and interests! The yearbook of 2008-09 showed what was “hot” that year. From favorite songs and movies to candy and clothing brands.

Song: I’m So Sick by Flyleaf ;Movie: Twilight; Drink: Vitamin Water, Powerade; Artists: Jonas Brothers; Store: Zumiez; Shoe Brands: Nikes, Converse, Vans, DC’s; Accessories: Burea, Bows, Bracelets, Plugs, Beanies; Candy: Reese’s, Snickers, Starburst; Clothing brands: Ecko, Areopostel, Active, Hollister, Zooyork, Southpole

Enough about the past. What about the present? Though some things may still be in “style”, we are in the age of new technology and creativity. Now what do the RCMS students find interesting?

Movie: Vampires Suck, Eclipse, Iron Man 2; Drinks: Dr.Pepper, Root Beer, boba, smoothies, Koolaid; Candy: chocolate, Mexican candy, Asian candy; Artists: Paramore, Kid Cudi; Stores: H&M, Target, Walmart, Forever 21, Hot Topic, Zumiez; Shoe Brands: Vans, Converse; Clothing Brands: Aeropostel, Zoo York; Electronics: cell phone, Ipod, Computer; Places to eat: Tutti Melon, In-N-Out

Obviously I didn’t interview everyone(because that would take forever! XD), but I did interview random people from all grades. I hope this article wasn’t deathly boring and hopefully you found things that you can be interested in that you never heard of. Don’t think that you need to follow these trends. Go along with what you think is awesome and what’s not. Okay enough of my odd ranting. Bye bye!



Baseball Greats
By: Collin Lundquist

In my opinion, baseball is one of the most important sports that we have in our culture. There are many things that we can learn, like good sportsmanship, camaraderie, competition, and the thrill of winning and losing. Baseball is loved and admired by millions of people all over the world. This article will tell you about 3 eras: The golden era, the silver era, and the modern era in baseball.



The earliest form of baseball was from England in 1744. We know this because John Newbery, an author in 1744, wrote a book that talked about boys playing baseball. It was similar to what we know as baseball today.

The well known stars of baseball are mostly in the golden era. The golden era consists from 1920-1960. The era had some of the greatest players, such as Lou Gehrig, Jackie Robinson, Ty Cobb, Ted Williams, Hank Greenburg, Rogers Hornsby, and Babe Ruth. Later, Willie Mays, Mickey Mantle, and Ernie Banks appeared. Also, famous pitchers Bob Gibson and Warren Spahn appeared.

Baseball’s silver era consists from 1970, through 2000. The silver era consisted of great all-stars that are known throughout the U.S. Nolan Ryan had 7 no hitters, and in that day, hit the Guinness Book of World Records as the fastest pitch at 100.9 mph. Their were other baseball stars, such as Dave Winfield, Joe Morgan, Johnny Bench, Reggie Jackson, Willie Stargill, Tony Gwynn, Mike Schmidt, and Ozzie Smith.

The modern era is the all-stars of today. The best sluggers in our time are Ryan Howard, Miguel Cabrera, Josh Hamilton, and Alex Rodriguez who just hit his 600th home run. Also, Albert Pujols and Chipper Jones were some of the greatest sluggers. The better fielders in our time are Ichiro, Kosuke Fokudome, Joe Mauer, and especially Derek Jeter. These baseball players are the best there ever were.

Youtube
By: Josue Marroquin

Everybody I know at RCMS has heard of a really famous video website called Youtube. Youtube is a website where people from all over the world can upload any type of video they want. You can even decide how long your video is going to be.



Some people even got famous from Youtube like, Fred, Justin Bieber, Cathy Nguyen, Aj Rafael, Smosh, Turrets guy, and The Annoying Orange. So far the only video that I have seen, that has a lot views is The Annoying Orange with over twenty million views in one video! Even people upload videos that are to good to be true like paranormal videos and stunts that people would be to scared to do. Two years ago the people that own Google really liked Youtube and had decided to buy Youtube, and the owners of Youtube had sold the website to Google.

I have asked some students on what they think about Youtube and what their favorite video is. Kevin Ngo said” it’s one of the best websites ever, and my favorite video is called Charlie the Unicorn”. Jason Abbot said” it’s a pretty good website for people that like to make videos or just watch them, and my favorite video is called Metallica concert. Devon Castillo said” this is better than Google video, my favorite video is Lady Gaga Poker Face music video parody.

Youtube has become so popular that people have put apps and options to go on youtube no matter where you are. About three years ago Youtube could now support, playing videos in 1080p! There are probably over three million videos on Youtube some of them you will like, and some of them you think are just to cheesy, but you never know until you watch them and subscribe to them!

Fashion and Style
By: Jonna Gonzalez

Everyone is different in their own way, especially when it comes down to clothes, shoes, and accessories at RCMS. There are lots of different ways to show your true self through your style. It could be the music you listen to, your ethnic background, the people you hang around with, or the way you style your hair. Because everyone is not the same doesn’t mean you’re not up to date. Fashion is a way of expressing yourself.

I’ve asked some people of the places they like to shop at and here are the results, for girls it seems they mostly like Forever 21, H&M, Charlotte Russe, and Sirens. For the guys they like, Zumiez, Tillys, and more. You can go to these stores at Victoria Gardens and Ontario Mills. For shoes it seems Vans, Active, and Journeys are to name a few of the guy stops and for girls wherever we may find a good deal because girls need lots of shoes to make the outfit work.

I personally don’t feel it should matter where you shop or how much you spend as long as you feel comfortable and like what you have on. There is too much pressure today with what things look like on the outside instead of what really matters, the inside. It doesn’t matter if you have the best outfit or the coolest shoes if you are not treating people the way you would like to be treated. This I feel makes the whole outfit and yourself not too stylish so the next time you want to make a not so nice comment or pass judgment on someone for their outfit then just remember its what they like to wear not you and it makes that person who they are. We’re all different in our own way!



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The Key to Happiness
By: Dania Vasquez ‘ <33

Do you know what the key to happiness might be? I interviewed a few people from school and some of the answers I got were money, family, and a vacation. All of these responses are awesome. Although we might not be completely happy we cannot always find happiness in other people, places, or things.

The key to happiness can only be found in us. Therefore it's up to us whether we want to be happy or not. Do you know what are some ways to begin being happy? Well if you don't here are some helpful tips.

#1 Change your grumpy attitude! The 1st thing that you are going to have to do to be happy is change the way you act. Did you know that starting your happiness comes from the inside first as you flow outwards? If you are a grumpy person then that means your attention is on a lot of negative things. Here is what you can do instead of focusing on all the unhappy things that makes you smile instead of the things that make you sad then you are going to find yourself smiling all the time.

#2 Let go of hurtful feelings! The second thing that you can do to unlock the key to happiness is to let go of all hurtful feelings that are holding on inside you. I understand that you are furious because someone has done something harsh to you. If you continue to hold on to all your anger and resentment towards that person then instead of being a happy person you will be an angry and resentful person. The only way that I can think to let go of nasty feelings is to forgive that person who has caused your happiness to vanish. It just means that you recognize that as long as you hold on to those feelings you will not be a happy person.

:)] *Remember to smile* '[:



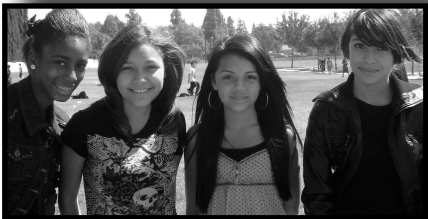
Sonic America's Drive-In
By: Simia Perry

Attention Attention Attention! Hold on let me put my reading glasses on, there that's better. Well Hi there, Hey there, Hello there everybody! Well as you may know there is a new place in this city called "Sonic". No not the song Super Sonic or video game Sonic. Well let me give you information about Sonic before you guys put this down. Okay ,Sonic has the most amazing shakes, drinks, and more beverages that you can think of. The food is _____, they have everything from burgers ,chicken, and even breakfast food. The most fantastic thing about Sonic is the car hop (you eat in the car). What places can you go and have all these different types of food and car hop? Not that many places right? Okay so as many of you don't know Sonic has been around for a long time. Now Sonic is a big thing in our life time now as it was years ago. Enough about all that above let me start interviewing people. Yay this part is about to get fun and interesting.

I asked Diana and Sarah " Describe Sonic in three words?" They said, " It is yummy, scurumshis, and delicious."

After them I asked Chantal and Brittany " Why do you like Sonic?" They said, " It is refreshing, juicy, and bomb."

Well thank you everyone that I interviewed you helped me a lot. Now back to the story now that we have everybody's opinions.



Maybe you guys will be interested to go to Sonic and try it out yourself and tell me your opinion or anything you think about it. All that is left is to say is Thank you for listening and Hoped you enjoyed my story on Sonic". Now I can take off

my reading glasses lol. I hope the rest of your day is good. Bye to all RCMS (:

Music
By: Sarah. G. Valencia

Music..... what is music? Music can mean so many things depending on what the person is feeling. Music is love,hate,sadness,happiness. Music is beautiful, no matter what music remains the same....right? People have so many opinions on what they like from Usher to Madonna. Someone from Hawaii could like the same music that i like. There are so many different types of music that people like so let's find out.;



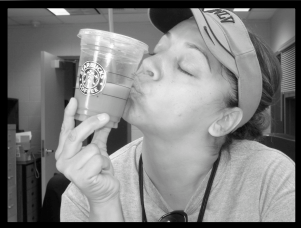
Like how I was saying there are so many types of music like R&B, latin, rock, reggae, hip-hop, and so much more. People have a wide range of favorite music, most teenagers these days are probably into techno and hip-hop, you know stuff that they can dance to. Another type of music is Latin music, so many people like this music because it's really good to dance to. Most people like Kid Cudi, Usher,and for some girls JUSTIN BIEBER. But we all have different opinions. For me I like Deadmouse5 and Usher , I'm positive you like really cool music too.

I have asked some of my friends and they said they liked hip-hop and techno. I agree with them because it's really cool music. But it's not all about Kid Cudi and Rihanna we have to remember different music like Elvis Presley, The Beatles, and Beethoven. Not many people listen to this stuff because everyone thinks it's old (like 6,000 years old) but its really not that old. I really don't listen to this stuff but I'm sure its kind of cool.....right? We just have to listen to different music too. There's so much more music then music we listen to in modern day we just have to find them, and I'm sure some other people are looking for different music too. Thanks for reading XD.

Starbucks Coffee
By: Taniecya Anderson

Hey you there, you there, you there, you there => OMG did you guys hear about that new article in the paper about Starbucks. Yes, I'm talking to you, but please don't stop reading this because if you haven't heard about the article I'm talking about. Then guess what you're in luck because I'm the one who wrote it so continue reading please and thank you =>). I'm letting you guys in on some what some of the students and staff here at RCMS think about Starbucks so lets get started shall we.

I got the chance to interview 7 students and 2 staff members here at R.C.M.S. and yes I know your probably thinking why did you interview like 9 people but just think about it now you'll get the chance to know a little bit about some of the students and staff members that attend our school. I'm getting off subject so now back to the interviews. The first person to get interviewed was an 8th grader Simia Perry and this is what she had to say about Starbucks,"Yes I do go to Starbucks and my favorite drink is the Vanilla Bean Frappuccino. If I had to describe it in 3 words they would be yummy, delicious, and great quality." This is what Ginika had to say about Starbucks, "Yeah I go to Starbucks and my favorite drink is the Double Chocolate Chip Frappuccino I think that it can be expensive at times but its still usually worth it. No I don't think that I'm addicted to it but a little Starbucks every once in awhile would be okay with me." This is what Samantha Shedd had to say about Starbucks, "Yes I do go to Starbucks and my favorite drink is the Vanilla Bean Frappuccino. I think that it can be expensive sometimes, if I had to describe it in three words they would be ice cold, delicious, and full of flavor." This is what Jada had to say, "Of course I go to Starbucks who doesn't and my favorite drink is the Vanilla Bean (ice blend). If I had to describe it in three words they would be scrumptious, sexy, and delicious, and HECK NO IM NOT ADDICTED". This is what YaYa had to say about Starbucks. "Yes I go to Starbucks and my favorite drink is the Oreo Frappuccino. Yes I do think that it is expensive". This is what Diamond had to say about Starbucks. "Yes I do go to Starbucks and my favorite drink is the Carmel Frappuccino. No I'm not addicted to it but, it can be expensive sometimes". This is what Rudy had to say about Starbucks. "Yes I go to Starbucks and my favorite drink is the Green Tea Frappuccino. I do think that its expensive". The eighth person I got a chance to interview was Mr. Garretson and this is what he had to say about Starbucks. Yes, I go but, not often and I would have to say that my favorite drink is the Eggnog latte but I prefer just plain coffee. No I'm not addicted to it and if I had to describe it in three words they would be overpriced, over-saturated, and successful". This is what Mrs. Hill had to say about Starbucks. "Yes I do go to Starbucks and my favorite drink is the Iced Coffee and yes I think that it is expensive. I will admit to say that I'm addicted to Starbucks. If I had to describe it in three words they would be scumdiddlyumptious, extraordinary, and addicting".



Okay Okay Okay YAY YOU DID IT YOU FINISHED THE ARTICLE give yourself a pat on the back!!! LoL. I hope you guys enjoyed this but I'm getting a little thirsty talking about all these drinks. So have a good day and I hope you enjoyed my Starbucks article. Now its time to get some Starbucks for myself and rest my hands Bye-Bye.

What?! A new president?!

By: Joey Siboro (:

HEY YOU! Did you hate last year? Well you'll hate this year! Kidding! Alright so all you 7th and 8th graders know our last year president Haylee Cavener, but if you don't then you're probably a new student at our school, so welcome! I am pretty sure there's an article in this newspaper that says welcome, so READ IT! Well basically I'm here to talk about our 2010-2011 president Franky Christian-Ripley. She's a student that has attended RCMS for 6th, 7th, and 8th grade and is also one of my good friends. She's energetic, fun, and is up for any challenge you throw at her.

Being president isn't as easy as you think. They have to maintain GPA (grade point average) above 3.7 and still need to have time to help out for after school activities like dances or fun Friday.

"Well, I've known her since elementary school, and she's always been so unique, crazy, loving, bubbly, amazingly sweet and creative(; I'm just SOOO GLAD that she was the one to run for president, and "take my place" because I'm POSITIVE that she's going do an amazing job, and listen to everyone, and what they have to say" said Haylee Cavener. Yes, these are her EXACT quotes!

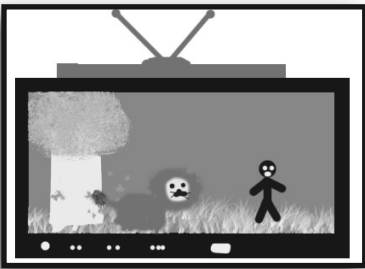
The president attends classes just like any other students but they have a special elective called "ASB" which stands for "associate student body". Being in that class is hard because just like the president they must pass a certain guideline, like how they need to keep a GPA above 3.5. So 6th and 7th graders, would you like to be in ASB next year? Sometimes I wish I was in ASB but they have to do 12 hours of community service so nah. Often they use big words to sound smarter, I mean they utilize colossal verbs and nouns to appear more intelligent. When your in ASB you have neither 1st or 2nd lunch you have something called middle lunch. The name speaks for itself, besides that you get to have 1st or 2nd lunch duty such as hallway duty or bathroom monitor. Overall it is a pretty great elective which gets you access to exclusive things that other people don't get to enjoy, will you be one of them?



Television

By: Jose Rodela :P

Hi everyone! Do you know what a television is? Most of you do, and if you don't, a television is a system for transmitting visual images and sounds that are reproduced on screens, chiefly used to broadcast programs for entertainment, information, and education. Do your teachers give you a lot of homework? I know my teachers do! When you're doing your homework you should take a break and reward yourself with some television! However you shouldn't watch too much television, it could damage your health in some ways (obesity, eyesight problems, etc). And you might not finish your homework by watching too much!!!



Some good TV show genres are: mystery, action, and comedy! Want to know my favorite TV shows? My favorite TV show genres are mystery shows and action shows. My favorite action shows are 24 and Human Target. And my favorite mystery shows are Bones, Fringe and The Ghost Whisperer. And others are: Scrubs, The Simpsons, Sesame Street, and SpongeBob. Most of you probably don't watch much television because you are using a computer. All you guys do is talk to each other on Facebook or Myspace, when you could talk to each other in person :[. Do you have a TV in your house? 98 percent of Americans have at least 1 TV in their household. And did you know that 1 out of 4 people falls asleep while watching television? I do (:P)! Now one more fact!! By the time the American child reaches 14 they have seen around 11,000 murders on television. TV has some good and some bad influences. It can also make children smarter with educational cartoons! You could also get the inside scoop on what's going on in the world!

I hope you learned something about television! If you expected more, sorry. This was my first article so... My next one should be better. This is the end of my television article! Now go watch some TV. Have fun reading the other articles >:O!!!! Bye!

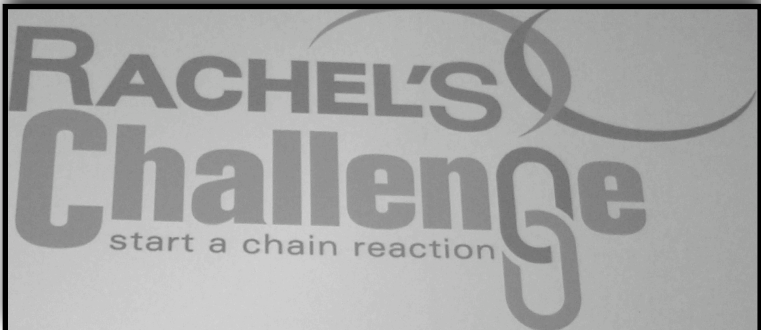
Bullying

By: Scott Perez [=

I think that bullying is bad. That is why Rachel's Challenge was made. It is about a girl that got killed in the Columbine shooting. Her dad made this challenge. It was because these two kids were bullied so they went and put bombs in the school, but the bombs in the school did not go off. So they went in the school and started shooting every one. They killed twelve students and one teacher, then turned the guns on themselves. That is why we should stop the bullying.

There is not that much but we should stop it anyway. It is not a good thing to do. It is not very nice to kill people. Everyone would get along better and know one would get into trouble. If we all work together to do small random acts of kindness, we can start a chain reaction. This in conclusion will make the environment a better place. "Bullying should be against the law. Bullying makes kids depressed and have suicidal thoughts," say the 7th graders at RCMS. I think students are bullied because we come in all different shapes, sizes, and color. But without these variations what kind of a world would it be? eh... it'll be kinda boring

I am not just talking about physical contact. I am also talking about all of them, sexual harassment and other stuff. No one would feel like they were not cool or anything. Everything would be fine. There wouldn't be any drama or any fights. Bullying can vary such as rumors, verbal, or even through internet. Just because we are different we should not hurt other people just to make yourself feel superior. I hope that you can listen to my advise and stop the bullying.



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