

# RWMS Newsletter



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Hours: Building 7am-5pm, Office 8am-4:30 pm

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The mission of Rolland Warner Middle School is to develop critical thinkers who have the necessary skills for future success.



## PARENT-TEACHER COMMITTEE

We will be having our February meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 in the RW media center.



## SAVE THE DATES

- **Tuesday, Feb. 12**  
8<sup>th</sup> Band concert @ Lapeer East auditorium
- **Thursday, Feb 14**  
Valentine's Day Dance (rescheduled holiday dance)
- **Week of March 25-28**  
Spring sports practices/tryouts begin (dates to be determined)
- **Week of April 8-12**  
8<sup>th</sup> Grade takes ACT Explore Test, date to be determined
- **Friday, April 12**  
PTC Euchre Tournament @ Metamora Lions Club
- **Thursday, April 25**  
Drama Club Production

## Basketball Schedule FEB-MAR



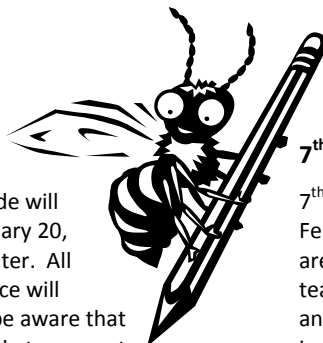
Day	Date	Opponent	Home/Away	Class Dismissal	Start Time	Address
Mon	Feb 4	Zemmer	Home		4:40	
Wed	Feb 6	Brandon	Home		4:15	
Mon	Feb 11	Linden	Home		4:15	
Wed	Feb 13	Clio	Away	3:10	4:45	Carter MS 300 Upland Dr, Clio MI 48420
Wed	Feb 20	Davison	Home		4:15	
Mon	Feb 25	Holly **	Home		4:15	
Wed	Feb 27	Zemmer	Away	3:45	4:30	
Thu	Feb 28	Fenton ##	Away	3:10	4:45	AG Schmidt MS 3255 Donaldson Rd Fenton MI 48430
Mon	Mar 4	Grand Blanc East	Home		4:15	
Wed	Mar 6	Brandon	Away	3:35	4:45	Brandon MS 609 S Ortonville Rd Ortonville MI 48462
Thu	Mar 7	Swartz Creek	Away	3:30	4:45	Schwartz Creek MS 8230 Crapo St Swartz Creek MI 48473

**NOTE:** Most home basketball games begin at 4:15 with the 7<sup>th</sup> graders playing first. The 8<sup>th</sup> grade game begins at approximately 5:30.

\*\* Eighth graders will play the first game at 4:15 and the 7<sup>th</sup> grade game will begin at approximately 5:30. This is to accommodate 8<sup>th</sup> grade parent night at Lapeer East HS. (Eighth grade parent night at Lapeer West will take place on Tuesday, February 26.)

## Rescheduled from January 28.

## Spelling Bees



### Sixth Grade Spelling Bee

The Spelling Bee for sixth grade will take place Wednesday, February 20, at 8:15 a.m. in the Media Center. All students that are in attendance will participate. Parents, please be aware that the winner(s) must be available to compete in the county-wide competition on March 27, 2013, at 6:30 p.m. at Lapeer East High School. Good luck, sixth grade spellers!

### 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Spelling Bee

7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Spelling Bee will take place on Tuesday, February 19 at 4:00 in the Media Center. Students are encouraged to sign-up through their ELA teacher. The deadline to sign up is Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>. All 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are encouraged to participate in this worthy endeavor. Last year Rolland Warner sent one of our students to Washington DC to participate in the Scripps National Spelling Bee; maybe it will be your son/daughter this year!



## COFFEE WITH THE PRINCIPALS

If you have not had a chance to attend a Parent Advisory Council meeting yet this year, please think about attending. We meet once a month from 8:30-10:00am in the office conference room. At these meetings, you will have chance to meet other RW parents, share suggestions or voice concerns, and be involved in the collaborative process of helping with your child's school and education. The meeting schedule is as follows: The meetings are scheduled as follows:

- ✓ Tuesday, Feb 26
- ✓ Tuesday, March 26
- ✓ Tuesday, April 23



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# Scheduling: It's that Time of Year Again!

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Scheduling for Lapeer East and West High Schools

On Thursday, February 21, 2013, counselors from Lapeer East and Lapeer West will be visiting Rolland-Warner 8<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms to discuss scheduling options for next year. Course selection sheets and catalogs will be sent home with your student. A Lapeer East High School Parent Orientation will be held on Monday, February 25, 2013 beginning at 6:00 p.m. A Lapeer West High School Parent Orientation will be held on Tuesday, February 26, 2013 beginning at 6:00pm. The orientations will be focused on the scheduling process. Scheduling Sheets must be returned to Rolland-Warner Social Studies teachers by February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013. After the sheets are returned, students will be inputting their course selections into PowerSchool in the Rolland-Warner Middle School labs. If you have questions about the teacher recommendations, you should contact the teacher who made the recommendation. Questions about high school scheduling should be directed to the high school counseling office. The number for Lapeer East High School is (810) 667-2418. The number for West High School is (810) 667-2423.

## 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Scheduling for 2013 - 2014

The Rolland-Warner Middle School Counselors will be visiting the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms in March to discuss the course selection process for next school year. Course selection sheets and catalogs will be sent home with your student. If you have questions about the teacher recommendations, you should contact the teacher who made the recommendation. An optional parent question and answer session will be held on Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 beginning at 7:00pm in the Rolland-Warner Media Center (this is for students who are currently in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and will be in 8<sup>th</sup> grade next school year). Scheduling sheets must be returned to Rolland-Warner Social Studies teachers by Thursday, March 21, 2013. After the sheets are returned, students will be inputting their course selections into PowerSchool in the Rolland Warner Middle School labs.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Scheduling for 2013 - 2014

The Rolland-Warner Middle School Counselors will be visiting the elementary buildings in March. A Parent Scheduling and Information Night is scheduled for Tuesday, March 19, 2013 beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Rolland-Warner Cafetorium. If you have an incoming student you will receive a postcard in the mail from Rolland-Warner Middle School regarding the Parent Scheduling and Information Night. Scheduling Sheets must be returned to your child's elementary teacher by Thursday, March 21, 2013. The sheets will then be forwarded to Rolland-Warner secretarial staff and they will input the requests into PowerSchool.

## Questions about Scheduling

All Middle School scheduling questions should be directed to the Rolland-Warner Middle School Counselors, Mr. Short (A-K) and Mrs. Van (L-Z) at Rolland-Warner Middle School (810) 538-2334.

## School of Choice Renewal

The in-district and out-of-district renewal letters will be mailed directly from the Lapeer Community Schools Administration & Services Center. School-of-Choice forms must be completed on a yearly basis.

9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Course Scheduling Calendar			
Lapeer East / Lapeer West Counselors visit Rolland-Warner	Thursday, Feb 21, 2013	School Hours	Rolland-Warner Classrooms
Lapeer East High School Parent Orientation Night	Monday, Feb 25, 2013	6:00 p.m.	East High School Auditorium
Lapeer West High School Parent Orientation Night	Tuesday, Feb 26, 2013	6:00 p.m.	West High School Cafeteria
Scheduling Sheets Due to Social Studies Teacher	Tuesday, Feb 28, 2013	School Hours	Rolland-Warner Classrooms
7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Course Scheduling Calendar			
Parent Question and Answer Session (Optional)	Tuesday, Mar 19, 2013	7:00 p.m.	Rolland-Warner Media Center
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## BAND NEWS

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Bands

Our next Concert is February 12<sup>th</sup> at Lapeer East 7:00. This is our pre-festival concert that we will share with Lapeer West High School. We will be working on Lexington March, Firebrook Prelude and our selected piece for this performance.

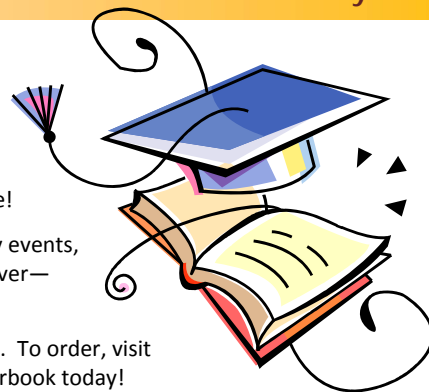
## Yearbook Orders

Interested in ordering a 2012-13 RWMS yearbook? You should be!

The all-new, student created yearbook is packed with noteworthy events, moments, and people that your child will want to remember forever—because You Only Live Once!

Yearbooks are currently available online for \$35.00 until May 12<sup>th</sup>. To order, visit [www.jostensyearbooks.com](http://www.jostensyearbooks.com) or call 1-866-282-1516 and get a yearbook today!

Thank you to those who have already ordered!



## Valentine Candy Grams

Pep Club will be selling Valentine candy grams during lunches February 1<sup>st</sup> through the 8<sup>th</sup>. Candy Grams will be delivered on Valentine's Day. **Proceeds will go towards purchasing a school mascot.**

Parents are welcome to purchase a candy gram for their student; please contact Melissa Campbell, [mcampbell@lapeerschools.org](mailto:mcampbell@lapeerschools.org), or Sally Wolfer, [swolfer@lapeerschools.org](mailto:swolfer@lapeerschools.org), if you wish to do so. Chocolate roses (\$2), sucker mustaches (\$1), and fortune cookies (\$1) will all be available as candy gram choices.



## Fine Arts Night

On Tuesday, April 16<sup>th</sup>, Rolland-Warner Middle School will be holding a **"Fine Arts Night"**. This is an evening of performances from band and theater arts students, as well as displays of artwork created by art students. On this same evening, the art students will be holding a community service event. This event is called **"Empty Bowls"**. Its purpose is to raise money to give to a soup kitchen in Lapeer. Here is how it works. Art students create ceramic bowls in art class. On May 16<sup>th</sup>, all are invited to the Empty Bowls event to enjoy a simple meal of soup, bread, and drinks. Guests choose a ceramic bowl to use for the meal and to keep as a reminder of all the empty bowls in the world. In exchange for the meal and the bowl, guests give a money donation. This year, all money collected will be given to the soup kitchen at Trinity United Methodist Church.

Art students have been working hard to make this a success. We are all quite excited to be involved in such an event to help our community. We also realize that many helping hands will be needed in order to make this event a success. **If you, parents and/or students, can help in any way it would be greatly appreciated.** If you would be interested in making a donation or volunteering your time, please contact Ms. Reinert or pick up a form in the office as soon as possible. Our needs are as follows: crock pots of homemade soup, bread/rolls, drinks (milk or juice), and helpers anytime from after school until approximately 8:30 pm.

We will have a sign posted in the art room tracking the progress of our needs. Students: please keep checking it so we will have all we need.

Again, everyone is invited, so mark April 16<sup>th</sup> on your calendar and plan on attending.

