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## RRE PTO Newsletter – Back To School Edition

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### Mission Statement

The Rock Ridge PTO is the Rock Ridge Elementary parent teacher organization, and a chapter member of The Foundation for Douglas County Schools.

Our goal is to help provide our children with an enriched educational experience through fundraising, hosting Rock Ridge community events and supporting our teachers. 

### Message from the President

Welcome Back Rock Ridge!! I cannot tell you how excited I am to start this new year with a full PTO Board, and so many wonderful volunteers. We have worked hard this summer planning and prepping our year and I cannot wait to get it going.

As we begin this year you will be hearing a lot about our upcoming 2nd Annual Rock Ridge Run in September. This is our biggest fundraiser for the year and we need **YOU**. We will be sending out sign ups and emails as we get closer so please let us know where you would like to help. The entire program has been set so please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

The Board and I have some awesome new ideas that we are ready to implement this year, including a New Family Welcome Committee and our fun new community project. We will be covering all of this at our first meeting of the year on Tuesday, Sept 11, at 6p in the Learning Commons (library).

I will be at the info booth during our Back to School BBQ on Thursday from 5-7p. I would love to meet and chat with you about what the PTO does and how we run.

Let's come together and make a great year for our kiddos and all the staff at Rock Ridge!

Sincerely,

Lydia Goodland

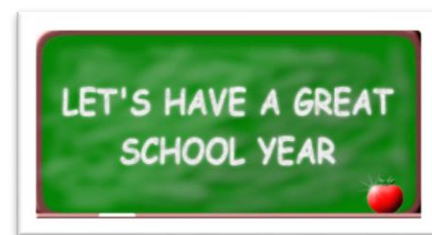
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**2018-2019**

### Upcoming Dates

#### **August 16:**

Back to School BBQ

#### **September 5:**

Rock Ridge Run Kick Off

#### **September 11:**

PTO Meeting 6pm

#### **September 14:**

Rock Ridge Run

#### **September 19:**

Rock Ridge Run Pledges Due

#### **September 26:**

Rock Ridge Prize Day

#### **October 16:**

PTO Meeting 6pm

#### **October 26:**

Monster Mash

#### **November 13:**

PTO Meeting 6pm

#### **November TBA:**

Thanksgiving Lunches

#### **December 11:**

PTO Meeting 6pm

#### **December 17-20:**

Kringle Week

#### **December 20:**

RRE Rink at the Rock Night

#### **January 8:**

PTO Meeting 6pm

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## Box Tops



The PTO sponsors the Box Tops program at Rock Ridge and these funds are earmarked for technology. This program runs all year long which means you can drop off Box Tops at any point during the year. The Box Tops are submitted in October and March to the Box Tops program, and checks are received in December and May. We then transfer the funds to the school and through a committee it is decided where it will go. These funds cover our annual subscription for the PebbleGo program which is a literacy program for K-3.

To encourage everyone to get involved the PTO hosts monthly grade competitions starting with 6th grade in September 5th grade in October, etc. The winner each month will get a **popsicle** party. While the monthly competition goes we will also be keeping track of the Box Tops all year round for an all school competition. In April the class with the most Box Tops raised throughout the year will win a **pizza party** and our **EPIC** Box Tops trophy!!

We do have a wonderful new Box Tops coordinator, Mrs. Mandi Barton, who will be collecting and submitting the Box Tops so please remember to send in trimmed non-expired Box Tops to help her out!!

## Rock Ridge Run

The Rock Ridge Run is our largest fundraiser of the year and we are so excited to kick our second year! Our school **goal** this year is **\$35,000** which we will split 50/50 with the school. The school's 50% will go towards technology again this year. Last year we purchased Chromebooks, charging carts, and a charging station. The PTO 50% goes toward our operating fund which goes toward budgeted items like the Teacher Classroom fund, grant program, Kringle Week, Teacher Appreciation, the Ice Cream Social, and all the other fun things we do throughout the year.



If we do reach our school goal Mr. Mosby will be rollerblading for an entire school day and I know the kids will have **SO MUCH FUN** with that.

**Please be on the lookout as we begin to send out information!!**

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