

RAMONA MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Good day, Ramona Students and Families!

It's hard to believe that the summer of '22 is already nearing its end. On behalf of everyone at Ramona Middle School, we hope that you have found time to relax, recharge, and enjoy time with your family and friends. The school staff and I are excited to welcome all our Vikings, new and returning, to campus this fall.

Our first day of school for students is Monday, August 22nd. The teaching and support staff are ready to lead our students in learning. Their classrooms will be student-centered and challenging -- ready to address the academic gaps from the past year and pushing ahead with this year's learning, all while keeping the social-emotional health of our students as a priority. It is only two more weeks until our students return... We can't wait!

Please join me in welcoming our new staff members to Ramona. Ms. Dahl will be teaching 6th grade social studies this year. We have Ms. Latourelle joining us in the administration office to assist with IEP scheduling, and Ms. Neal has moved desks in the office and will now be working the library.

Thank you to the nearly 1100 families that have completed the **online registration through InfoSnap**. When you get to on-campus registration next week, your completed InfoSnap registration will make the process go more quickly. If you haven't completed the registration, it's not too late – visit <u>www.ramonavikings.com</u> to find the link to get you started. You will need the SnapCode that was both emailed and mailed to you earlier this month to complete the online registration. If you need assistance, call 909-971-8260, and our office staff will be happy to help.

Here are five things to know about registration that will make the whole process easier.

#1 – Please try to attend your on-campus registration during your scheduled time. Your timeslot was emailed/mailed to you with your InfoSnap information and the schedule is also located on the front page of the Ramona website. The dates are listed below:

Monday, Aug 15 th	Monday, August 15 th	Tuesday, August 16 th
8 th Grade Registration	7th Grade Registration	6th Grade Registration

#2 – As you know, we issue Chromebooks to all of our students for use during the school year. If your Viking attended a BUSD school last year, and his/her Chromebook was not turned in, please bring the old Chromebook (and charging cable!) to registration so we can verify it's still updated or we can replace it.

#3 –Our fantastic RMS Counseling team, Ms. Cooper-Jones (6th grade), Mr. Hanson (7th grade), and Ms. Hoover (8th grade) will be on site to answer any questions you may have.

#4 – Many students (especially our 6th graders) will walk campus to find the location of their classrooms – especially 1st period so they know where they go on the 1st day. The counselors table will have school maps available for you to pick up and use.

#5 – Finally, here are a list of **items you will want to bring with you to registration** (if you have them) to make things move quickly:

- Bring any <u>previously issued Chromebook and charging cable</u> to registration for evaluation/replacement.
- Bring a <u>way to pay for items</u> you want from the student store (cash/check/credit cards accepted on-site).
- Bring your <u>receipt from any student store purchase</u> you have made online for this school year.
- Bring your 7th graders <u>updated immunization record</u> if you haven't already turned it in to the health office.
- Bring any library books or textbooks that were not turned in last school year.
- Bring your <u>patience and understanding</u>, and please know we will work hard to get you through as quickly as possible.

Finally, we would like to encourage our parents, guardians, and families to stay connected with what's happening at school. The <u>RMS Website</u> is updated frequently with information about upcoming events. We are using CANVAS and Aeries to keep parents up-to-date on what's happening in class and student grades. Parent Square is our school communication platform. Below are links with more info and links to specific apps based on your phone's operating system.

Website Link	Apple Store App	GooglePlay App
Parent Square		
<u>Aeries Portal</u>		
Canvas for Parents		

We look forward to seeing you on campus soon. Our school office is open daily from 7:30am – 4pm. The office staff and school administration are here to answer your questions and make sure you have everything ready for a successful year. Please do not hesitate to reach out to us if you need anything.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and we will see you on campus for registration, next week. The first day of school will be here before you know it. We can't wait to get started with an awesome school year.

James Ellis, Principal Ramona Middle School