

INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL NEWS



Rains Intermediate

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REMINDERS:

School starts at 8:00 a.m.

Students are tardy at 8:01 a.m.

Pick-up students are dismissed at 3:15 p.m.

Send a note to the office or call before 2:00 to change your child's transportation plans.

All visitors must first sign in at the office.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 9/7- Cookie Dough
- 9/19 Fundraiser
- 9/7 PTO Meeting, 5pm
- 9/12 Progress Reports
- 9/19 Fundraiser \$ due
- 9/19 3rd Gr. Curriculum Night, 5:30 pm
- 9/20 4th Gr. Curriculum Night, 5:30 pm
- 9/22 5th Gr. Curriculum Night, 5:30 pm
- 9/23 Homecoming Games
- 10/3 Progress Reports
- 10/5 4th Gr. Field Trip: "Ag in Classroom"
- 10/10 NO SCHOOL

Welcome to Rains Intermediate School

We are glad you are here.

BEFORE SCHOOL

7:20-7:59

The school opens at 7:20. Students may be dropped off at the front of the school. Kids who eat breakfast go to the cafeteria, and all other students go to the gym.

7:25-7:55

There are 4 classrooms that provide help before school in the areas of reading, math, spelling, and homework. The library is also open for book check-out. See the bottom of page 2 for more info about morning tutoring.

7:45

Students are dismissed from the cafeteria and gym to their classrooms. Students arriving

after 7:45 can walk directly to class.

8:00

School begins promptly at 8:00. Any student who is not in the building by 8:00 will check in with the office and get a tardy slip.

DURING SCHOOL

All visitors should check in with the office. Parents and family are welcome to eat lunch with their children after signing in first.

AFTER SCHOOL

3:15

Students are dismissed at 3:15. Use your pick-up card to identify yourself all year. This helps staff ensure students are getting home safely. Bus students load promptly at 3:15.



Join us for a Curriculum Night, where you will learn everything a parent needs to know to help your child be successful this year.

Each event starts at 5:30 pm on the following nights:

- 9/19 3rd Grade
- 9/20 4th Grade
- 9/22 5th Grade

Childcare will be provided.

Campus Fundraiser



Rains Intermediate holds one campus-wide fundraiser a year to generate money to fund field trips, instructional materials, and technology.

Students who participate in the fundraiser will be awarded prizes.

Sell 10+ items =

Mega Bash Party

Sell 25+ items =

Limo Ride and Pizza

The school receives 50% of the sales. Please help participate in the cookie dough fundraiser!

Family Access

How much money is on my child's lunch account?

What grade did my child get on his math test on Friday?

Are my child's absences excused?

The answer to all these questions and more can be found online at www.rainsisd.org under the "Parent Resources" link.

Family Access is an online tool

available to parents/guardians to help them keep track of their child's school information.

Everything from lunch money, grades, discipline, and attendance can be accessed online.

In order to log in, you must have the username and password assigned to you when your child first enrolled.

If you need your username and password again, contact our PEIMS office at 903-473-2222, ext. 4415.

Visit our website at www.rainsisd.org and select the Intermediate campus. Like us on Facebook, too!



New Grading Periods



All RISD campuses are on 9-week grading periods this school year.

The Intermediate and Elementary follow a "true" 9-week schedule, and the JH and HS have grading periods scheduled slightly different to allow for end-of-course exams before Christmas.

- 3 weeks = Progress Report
- 6 weeks = Progress Report
- 9 weeks = Report Card

Look at the school calendar on the Intermediate website to see the end of each grading period.

Join the Rains Intermediate PTO today for only \$1.

The first general meeting is Wednesday, September 7 at 5:00 in the library.

Let's talk about ways to get involved and make plans to ensure this is our best year yet!



A.M. Tutoring



Do you need extra help with your homework?

Do you have some missing work that's over-due?

Is there a big test coming up that you need to study for?

Have you read an AR book, & now you need to test?

Intermediate teachers are here to help!

Come in any morning Monday-Friday at 7:25 for individual help on your assignments in any subject.

<u>Room 118</u>	Mrs. Weddle	Math
<u>Room 117</u>	Mrs. Martin	Reading, AR tests
<u>Room 108</u>	Ms. Hague	Reading, Spelling
<u>Library</u>	Mr. Parker	AR tests, Book check-out

Art Highlights

Your child goes to art class for one hour each week. Here is a note from Ms. Kuch, the art teacher.

Hello Parents,

We have been having such a great time in art by sharing ideas, encouraging one another, learning new techniques, and sparking our creativity.

Your children are AMAZING!

I have many projects lined up for this year, and I hope to inspire your little artist to bloom and blossom.

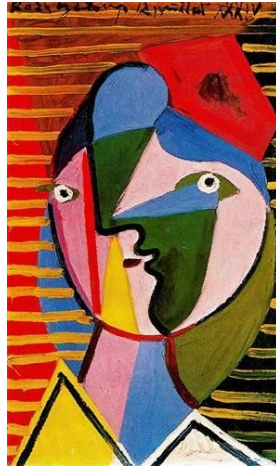
One unit of study will be about the artist Picasso.

Items needed for 3D Picasso sculptures include:

- Wire hangers
- Knee-high panty hose (any color)
- Scrap wood (2" or 3" cuts from 2x4)

For other art projects, please send new art supplies such as:

- Aluminum foil



• Colored Sharpies
We are also re-using the following materials. Please help us collect them.

- Paper towel tubes
- Toilet paper tubes
- Empty water bottles
- Plastic screw-on lids from any product, EX: drink bottles, laundry detergent, etc.
- Empty plastic spice jars (for glitter)
- Empty Pringles chip containers (or similar-shaped canister)

Thank you for supporting your child's artistic endeavors!

AR Rewards	
POINTS	PRIZE
75	Backpack
100	T-Shirt
150	Lunch with the Principal
200	Principal for the Day
300	Surprise!



Food for Thought

Rains Intermediate welcomes you to eat lunch with your child any day of the week. Lunch times are listed below. All visitors need to sign in first.

- 10:45 O'Brien, Walden, L. Williams
- 11:00 Smith, Vititow, W. Williams
- 11:05 Donley, Maberry, Raley
- 11:30 Kent, McDowell, Watkins
- 11:45 5th Grade

In order to make lunch time more enjoyable, students are allowed to choose their seats.

There is also a water cooler and microwave available for students' convenience.


Please limit warm-up times to 3 minutes, so that other students have time to use the microwaves as well.

Students who have money can buy dessert and items *a la carte*.

Breakfast: \$2.00

Lunch: \$2.75

Ice-cream: \$1.00



Students can go through the line at their discretion, but they need to manage their time and money appropriately.

For instance, if a student buys ice cream with one minute of lunch time left, he/she will not have enough time to eat the treat before going back to class.