

Reiche School News

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What's Happening

WE LOVE LOOPING! From 4th to 5th grade, it's amazing to see the growth in maturity, leadership skills and readiness for Middle School in our students. The 5th grade classes enjoy serving breakfast throughout the school and being "Reading Buddies" with other classes from the younger grades.

School Counseling intern Mark Hubbard has been working with Reiche School Counselor Anne Baltren to talk with 5th grade classes about what to expect in middle school, to try middle-school-level team building exercises, and spend time answering questions. Middle School Step Up Day is June 1st, 11:15-1:30. We are VERY proud of our 5th graders and wish them well on the next part of their personal and academic journey!

Amjambo Africa!

Amjambo Africa is Maine's newspaper for and about Mainers from Southern Africa. Look for this brand new newspaper around Portland! It carries news happening in African countries and stories of Portland immigrants. It also holds information and resources in Portland.

Be a Good Tenant

Supporting Immigrant Tenants (SIT) presents "How to Be a Good Tenant". Learn about rights and responsibilities of tenants and landlords, including lease laws, security deposits, and safety concerns. Registration is open to all and interpretation is available in Portuguese and French. The workshop will be Friday, June 1, 2-4pm, at Portland Adult Ed (14 Locust St), room 3.

Free Picnics

Wayside will be hosting free community picnics throughout the summer on Mondays at 6:00pm. The dates are: July 9 & 23 and Aug 6 & 20. Locations TBA.

Get Reading This Summer!

All Reiche students have a free library card with the Portland Public Library; all they need is their student ID number! Give your number at the desk to borrow books, and Reiche students do not pay any late return fees. Let's get reading!

FREE in Portland

Here are some free (and almost free) things to do with your family:

1. **Reiche Community Pool.** Saturdays 12-1:00pm, open swim is \$1 per child and \$4 per adult.
2. **Community Dinners.** Enjoy a meal at Reiche School, Mondays at 5:15pm, or at the Salvation Army, Tuesdays at 5:00pm.
3. **Portland Public Library.**

Come! Sit! Read!: Children enjoy reading to furry, non-judgmental listeners of the library's Reading Dog program. Tuesdays, 3:30-5:00pm.

Smart Girls Read: Monthly book club for girls ages 9-12. First Saturday of each month, 2:00-3:00pm.

Thank you for reading our bi-weekly newsletter! Please contact Susan Wiggin or Anne Baltren with questions or suggestions (wiggis@portlandschools.org or baltra@portlandschools.org).

Important Dates

Monday, May 28
Memorial Day
No School

Wednesday, May 30
2:30 dismissal
Last Early Release Day

Thursday, May 31
Arts Night @ 5:30-7pm

Thursday, May 31
Last Day of
Learning Works

Wednesday, June 6
3:30 Dismissal

Thursday, June 7
Elementary Music
Concert
5:30pm @ Riverton