

3/19/18 Board Of Education Report
Dan Bieberdorf- Activities Director Report
"Always Our Best"

WINTER ACTIVITIES

After a very successful season for all of our teams, the winter activities are rapidly coming to an end. Special Congratulations to Carter Jonsgard from the LARP Screaming Eagle wrestling team for his qualifying and competing in the State Wrestling Meet. After a number of exciting matches, Carter finished in 4th place and did a great job of representing the LARP wrestling program. Congratulations as well as to the R-P Boys Basketball Team competing well in the Section 1A Tournament. After beating Kingsland for the Sub-Section 1A Championship on March 10, they are advancing to play Spring Grove in the Section Championship game on March 17th at 5:00 PM. With a win, the Trojans would advance to play in the State Tournament on March 22nd-24th. Good luck to the boys' basketball players and coaches this weekend, and GO TROJANS!!!

SPRING ACTIVITIES

Despite the recent snowfall, some of our Spring activities are already off to a great start to their seasons. Here is a quick update of each activity:

Speech: The R-P Speech Team has 28 students participating this year, and they are coached by Head Coach Shari Michel and Assistant Coach Forrest Musselman. They began their competition season with a trip to Wabasha-Kellogg on February 17th, followed by a 1st place finish at Spring Grove on February 24th. After competing at Chatfield on March 3rd, we hosted a competition in Rushford on March 10th and R-P came away with another 1st place finish. The team will be traveling to Chatfield for the Three Rivers Conference contest on March 17th, and Sub-Sections will be on April 7th in Cannon Falls.

Track and Field: As in the past, we partner with Houston to form the R-P-H Track Team. Led by Varsity Coach Gary Wade and Assistants Jen Hengel, Dale Moga, Ricky Smith, and Nikki Schultz, the practices began for the boys and girls on March 12th. There are currently 47 boys and 45 girls participating, and the first competition is an indoor track meet at St. Mary's University on March 27th.

Softball: Practice began on March 12th for the softball team, and they currently have 26 girls competing this year. Returning coaches this year are Head Coach Jeremy Tesch and Assistant Coach Holly Ekern, while the 7th/8th Grade girls will be coached by Dani Kingsley. Their season is set to begin with a scrimmage at RCTC on March 24th, and then they host Lewiston-Altura on April 3rd for their first game of the season.

Baseball: After a week of arm conditioning, the first practice for the boys' baseball team is scheduled for March 19th. The new Head Coach is Jordan Aug, and he will be assisted by Blake Lea, while Chris Drinkall will be coaching the 7th and 8th grade. Currently students are still signing up to play this season, and their first game is scheduled for April 3rd at Lewiston-Altura.

Golf: Led by new Head Coach Luke Rye and Assistant Coach Joe Hatch, the R-P boys and girls golf teams are hoping for some warm and dry weather to begin their season. Their practice season is scheduled to begin on March 19th, and their first meet is scheduled for April 9th at home vs. La Crescent

Upcoming Events:

March 19: Baseball and Golf Practices Start

March 19: HS Knowledge Bowl Regional

April 7: Sub-Section Speech Contest at Cannon Falls

April 15: Section Speech Competition in Byron

April 19: Small Group Music Contest at R-P

April 21: Prom

April 28: R-P Softball Classic in Peterson