



# R A P P 2020

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## This month:

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Feb. 3-7 Box Tops Collection Week

Feb. 6 5th-grade field trip - BizTown

Feb. 7 FEC Meeting 8 am

Feb. 10-14 SEPS (Parent/Teacher Conferences)

Feb. 10-14 Book Fair

Feb. 17 President's Day (*No school*)

Feb. 19 RA Board Meeting 7 pm

Feb. 20 Spelling Bee 6:30 pm

The Renaissance Academy Printing Press



# Message from the Dean

## **Don't forget! - Students will be released early at 12:15 pm on both Thursday 2/13 and Friday 2/14 this week due to SEPS**

All students will be released at 12:15 pm on both Thursday 2/13 and Friday 2/14 this week due to SEP appointments. Please be punctual picking up your students as teachers also have early out days (once students are gone) after staying late at work Monday-Wednesday. We would love for school employees to be able to leave early once all students have been collected so that we can all start our President's Day weekend. Thank you!

### **Aspire Login** - How to check your student's progress, missing work and grades

As we prepare for SEPS, I encourage all families to ensure they know how to check their students grades and academic progress online through our student information system Aspire. We encourage you to be involved in your students education and to learn and to check aspire regularly/at least weekly. Please contact your students teacher if you are struggling to access your students grades through Aspire.

To create an Aspire login for your student:

- a) Click on [this link](#).
- b) Click on 'Request a Username'
- c) Enter your student ID number (same as their lunch number and can be obtained from their classroom teacher), date of birth and then create an account
- d) Check your students grades and missing work regularly.

**Returning Student Enrollment** - Please re-enroll your returning students as soon as possible for the 2020-2021 school year

We are beginning our re-enrollment and lottery process for the 2020-2021 school year. In order for us to determine how many positions will be available in the upcoming lottery, all current Renaissance Academy students are required to confirm their enrollment for the next school year by completing an online re-enrollment process.

Please visit [this link](#) to access the re-enrollment tool and confirm your students position next year, the process is simple and takes less than 5 minutes. New User profiles will need to be created, as all information from previous years has been deleted. This is also where you will enter any incoming siblings for next year. Please complete this process by the end of February. Re-enrollment of your student will ensure that their spot is not released and offered to a new applicant through the lottery held on a date to be determined in March. We are happy that you have entrusted Renaissance Academy with your student's education.

If you have any questions about our re-enrollment process, please contact our Enrollment Specialist, Mrs. Susi Blackhurst at [sblackhurst@renacademy.org](mailto:sblackhurst@renacademy.org).

**Open for 9th-grade in 2020-2021** - Please enroll your returning 9th-grader as soon as possible to help us plan!

We hope to offer and are enrolling returning students for 9th-grade next school year in 2020-2021. If you have a current 8th-grade students and you would like them to attend 9th-grade next year, please ensure you enroll them as a returning student in our lottery system. We plan to offer 9th-grade next year if we have a confirmed enrollment of 20+ returning students. We are planning to offer all required courses and electives for both regular and 9th-grade Chinese Immersion students. Please enroll your returning 8th-grader as soon as possible to help us plan for 9th-grade next year!

### **New Students** - Immediate Openings & Future New Families

We invite you to help us grow our school and share the many opportunities we offer students - both immediately and in 2020-2021! This year we will continue to enroll new students interested in attending our school throughout the year. We do still have some seats open in several grades and classes that we would love to fill with your family, friends or neighbors! If you have friends or neighbors who might be interested in moving to RA this year or joining us next year, invite them to check out our [school website](#), contact our school office at 801-768-4202, and/or [email me directly](#) with any questions, to schedule a tour, and/or to find out if a seat is available in their respective grade level.

# Grade Spelling Bee Winners

## 1st Grade:

- 1- Carter C.
- 2- Liam W.
- 3- Leah

## 2nd Grade:

- 1- Emma A.
- 2- Capri H.
- 3- Eden M.

## 3rd Grade:

- 1- Victoria P.
- 2- Jonah K.
- 3- Stella L.

## 4th Grade:

- 1- Ishanth R.
- 2- Lucas A.
- 3- Grace H.

## 5th Grade:

- 1- Enkh-Anu N.
- 2- Claudya C.
- 3- Madison H.

## 6th Grade:

- 1- Korver J.
- 2- Benjamin B.
- 3- Sophie M.

## 7th Grade:

- 1- Quinton J.
- 2- Audrey P.
- 3- Jackson B.

## 8th Grade:

- 1- Aidan F.
- 2- Olivia B.
- 3- Elayna R.

Our school-wide Spelling Bee will be held on  
**February 20 at 6:30pm.**

Any students who attend the full Spelling Bee will receive a wristband for Free Dress the following day (Friday)!

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BOOK FAIR

During the week of SEP's, we will have our second Book Fair set up. Please remember it will be open during school so that kids are able to look/purchase during lunch, and also after school for any interested parents. A big thank you in advance to everyone who pitches in to help the Book Fairs run so smoothly!

Hours will run until 6pm on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday.  
The book fair is held in Ms. Kinder's classroom.

## Field Trips



### Remaining K-6 Field Trips:

**Kindergarten** - 2/20 Aquarium and 5/14 Museum of Natural Curiosity

**1st-grade** - 4/28 Treehouse Museum

**2nd-grade** - 3/11 Clark Planetarium and 4/21 UVU Performing Arts Center: 'Charlotte's Web'

**3rd-grade** - 3/25 Aquarium

**4th-grade** - 3/24 Hogle Zoo and 5/26 Camp Floyd

**5th-grade** - 3/10 Utah State Capitol

**6th-grade** - 5/26 Timpanogos Cave Hike



# WORLD LANGUAGE

Hello Parents,

We are going to start practicing our performance for the World Culture Night in May. We will be in need of parent volunteers for that night. If anyone is passionate about sharing their culture that night and would like to display it in a room please email Angie Cobiella at [acobiella@renacademy.org](mailto:acobiella@renacademy.org). As we prepare for this year to start flying by, here are some dates to keep an eye out for:

**World Language field trip- 4/16**

**World Culture Night- 5/1**

SEP's are this week for our school. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's progress you are invited to stop by the World Language office. We will be available Mon, February 10th through Wednesday, February 12th from 3:30-5:30pm.

Thank you,  
World Language Team



## Battle Of the Books

All battles will be held  
Saturday, March 14, 2020

2nd, 3rd, and 4th grade battles will be held  
from 9:00-10:30 am in the school gym.

5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and teacher battles will be  
held from 10:30 am -12 pm in the school gym.

# STEAM Festival!

(Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math)



Thank you all for participating in our 2nd Annual Renaissance STEAM Festival! It was amazing. We have such talented student scientists, and a great community who supports making learning a hands on adventure. Thank you to the many student and parent volunteers who put in countless hours to make the event such a success. We also want to thank all our Inspirations volunteers for their help inspiring, collecting, judging, and displaying our students' amazing artwork. We love that our school goes above and beyond to encourage all different interests and talents in our students!





# Lunch menu



LUNCH					FEBRUARY 2020 RENAISSANCE ACADEMY					Lunch \$2.50 Reduced \$.40 Staff/Guest \$3.75		Monthly \$47.50 Monthly \$7.60		
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
PB&J Sandwich <b>3</b> Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Pizza <b>4</b> PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Corn Dog <b>5</b> PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Teriyaki Chicken <b>6</b> PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Sack Lunch <b>7</b>	Cheesy Egg & Sausage <b>10</b> English Muffin PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Pizza <b>11</b> PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Bacon Cheeseburger <b>12</b> PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Sack Lunch <b>13</b>	Sack Lunch <b>14</b>	NO SCHOOL <b>17</b>	Pizza <b>18</b> PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Oven Fried Chicken <b>19</b> w/Mashed Potatoes PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Chicken & Cheese <b>20</b> Taquitos (NEW) PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Sack Lunch <b>21</b>
Churros <b>24</b> PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Pizza <b>25</b> PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	BBQ Pulled Pork <b>26</b> Sandwich PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Cheesy Beef <b>27</b> Macaroni PB&J Sandwich Meat & Cheese Sandwich	Sack Lunch <b>28</b>										

Served M-Th  
Fruit/Salad Bar  
Milk

A La Cart  
Milk \$0.50  
PB&J Sandwich \$1.25  
Pizza \$1.25 (Only Tuesday)

Online Payments  
<https://secureinstantpayments.com/sip/?ID=21717>



"Menu items are subject to change"

# Last month at Renaissance Academy...



Miss Hall's class dressed up for their unit on Greek Mythology!



Lady Phoenix Basketball has begun and our team is killin' it so far! They play two games twice a week and would love to see some familiar faces cheering them on! For their schedule, click [here](#).



Periodically we have a "Caught Being Good Assembly" where we have fun with kiddos who were, well, caught being good! This month our assembly consisted of playing Human Hungry Hippos (each with their own respective grade of course). It was a blast and lots of laughs were had!

# IMPORTANT WEBSITES

[Renaissance Academy Website](#)

[Renaissance Academy Facebook Page](#)

[The Official Renaissance Academy FEC Facebook Group](#)

[Grade Level School Supply Lists](#)

[Space Academy Website](#)

[Renaissance Academy After-school Activities](#)

*Follow our Instagram page [@renacademy](#) for glimpses into our student's days, get to know the faculty a little more, and stay in-the-know for upcoming events/fundraisers!*





## ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR BABY'S DEVELOPMENT?



No two kids progress the same way, that's why it's hard to tell when you should be concerned about differences in their development. Most babies at...

### TEN WEEKS:

Hold up their heads, look at objects, and begin to coo.

### SIX MONTHS:

Roll over, babble, and grasp objects.

### NINE MONTHS:

Begin to crawl, sit alone, and start eating finger foods.

### ONE YEAR:

Take first steps, point or wave, and say a few words.

### TWO YEARS:

Run and use two to three word sentences.

If you are concerned about your child's development, please contact Kids On The Move to schedule a free evaluation. Visit our website for more information on developmental milestones.



## ¿ESTÁ PREOCUPADO POR EL DESARROLLO DE SU HIJO?



No hay dos niños que progresen de la misma forma. Por eso es tan difícil determinar en qué momento debería uno preocuparse por las diferencias en su desarrollo. La mayoría de los bebés deberían:

### A LAS DIEZ SEMANAS:

Sostener su cabeza, observar objetos, y comenzar a emitir sonidos.

### A LOS SEIS MESES:

Voltearse solito/a, baliucocar y agarrar objetos.

### A LOS NUEVE MESES:

Comenzar a gatear, sentarse solos, y empezar a comer usando las manos.

### AL AÑO:

Dar los primeros pasos, señalar o saludar con la mano y decir algunas palabras.

### A LOS DOS AÑOS:

Correr y usar oraciones de dos a tres palabras.

Si está preocupado por el desarrollo de su hijo, comuníquese con Kids On The Move para programar una evaluación gratuita. Visite nuestra página de Internet para obtener más información acerca del desarrollo de los niños.



### SCHOOL NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

### PLEASE ADD THIS INFORMATION TO YOUR SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

#### Free Developmental Assessment

For parents who have concerns about their young child's development, Kids On The Move (KOTM) provides FREE developmental evaluations for children under three who reside in the Alpine School District. The first few years of life are very important for a young child's development. This developmental assessment will let you know if your child is "on-target" for his/her age. If it is determined that your child has a significant delay in development, your family may be eligible to receive **Early Intervention services** from Kids On The Move at little or no cost.

#### Kids On Move Programs:

We are a non-profit organization that provides services for children with disabilities and developmental delays. KOTM has five main pillar programs, which are:

1. **Early Intervention:** This program provides therapy services for children ages zero to three with disabilities within the Alpine School District. 85% of brain development occurs at this age and that is why the program is so vital. It is designed to maximize each child's learning and development through physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech and language therapy, hearing and vision assessment, nursing, nutrition and parent training classes.
2. **Early Head Start:** This program is designed to enhance children's development (ages birth to three) by supporting parents in their critical parental roles. We specifically focus on low-income families, teaching parents to learn sustainability as well as provide quality education for their children. Services include educational, social, medical, dental, nutritional and mental health in both a classroom-based and at-home setting.
3. **Autism Center:** This center is specifically for children ages infancy – teenage years with autism. Therapists use Applied Behavior Analysis techniques to work with children and increase their rate of development. This program includes treatment planning along with assessments to track each child's progress throughout classes.
4. **Respite Care:** This program offers a safe environment with one-on-one supervision for parents to drop off their child for a period of time. It allows parents of children with special needs to receive the rest they need to relieve stress, renew energy, and restore balance. There is always a nurse on staff and quality volunteers to care for their child.
5. **Mental Health:** We offer a wide range of mental health services including psychological testing, individual, couples, family, teen and child counseling therapy services. We address issues import to all family members, including depression, anxiety, ADHD, parenting, disabilities, coping with medical diagnosis, grief, trauma, family and relationship challenges, life transitions and more.

#### One Family's Story:

*My son, Ashton, was about 2.5 and could say two words. He had no desire to learn more words and it was becoming really difficult to communicate. He would get frustrated easily because we didn't ever know what he wanted. I heard about Kids on the Move and asked for a free assessment. A service coordinator met with us in our home and Ashton was placed in the second percentile for language. The first time our language therapist came to our house Ashton hid under the table and wouldn't come out. Eventually we were able to coax him out with some toys, but he was still very shy and wouldn't talk. Each time she came over he warmed up a little more through their play.*

*It's now about seven months later and Ashton knows 50+ words. He is so eager to learn now and copies everything we say. He can sing three or four songs on his own. Plus, our language therapist is one of his favorite people. I had the option to stop these meetings since Ashton has caught up so much but seeing how much he loves his time with her I've chosen to keep it up until he's three. We have a meeting next week to talk about placing him in preschool. I'm so happy with where he is and how well we can communicate with him. I can't thank Kids On The Move enough for giving so much time and attention to Ashton.*