

## 2009-10 REGISTRATION AND OPENING OF SCHOOL INFORMATION

**All pupils entering the Rapid City Area Schools for the first time** must present a certified copy of a birth certificate, immunization record, and their social security number. Kindergarten children are required to have 2 varicella vaccinations or the parent may provide a "history of chicken pox". **All kindergarten students and students from outside the United States who enroll will have all age appropriate immunizations completed before the first day of attendance.** These children will not be allowed to start school in the fall until this is accomplished. Children entering kindergarten must be five years old on or before September 1, 2009. Students entering grades 1-12 must present their previous year's report card or transcript for placement verification and certification from a physician or public health clinic that state-required immunizations are completed. **Students in grades 1-12, other than specified above, will be allowed two weeks to present documentation of completed immunizations. After two weeks, students who have not provided documentation will be excluded from attendance.**

All new American Indian students wishing to receive Title VII Indian Education services need to complete a 506 certification form at the beginning of the school year. For more information, contact Indian Education at 394-4071.

**BUS SERVICE:** Transportation services will begin Tuesday, September 1, 2009. Students eligible for bus service (K through 8<sup>th</sup> grade residing more than 2.5 miles from their assigned school or in a designated area) must complete a Student Transportation Registration Form to ride the bus. Students who have completed a registration form prior to August 15, 2009 will receive their bus passes in the mail by August 24, 2009. Registering after August 14, 2009 may delay riding the bus until September 14, 2009. Student Transportation Registration Forms will be available at schools during school registration. Bus personnel will attempt to notify special education parents prior to the start of school.

**SCHOOL BEGINS:** Rapid City Area Schools will begin regular classes on Tuesday, September 1, 2009. Elementary and Middle School students can confirm registration by returning the student's corrected/updated student data information sheet by mail or in person at the schools in August. Registration dates for 2009-2010 follow:

<b><u>GRADES K-8</u></b>	Pre-Registered Kindergarten & Preschool Children & Returning Students K-8	Wednesday, August 12, 8:30-3:30, Confirm registration by mail or in person at the schools.
	Kindergarten Children Not Pre Registered, Students Who Have Moved (Changed Attendance Centers), and New Students K-8	May 1 – May 29, At the schools June 1 – July 27 At C/SAC, 300 6 <sup>th</sup> Street, Office of Student Achievement * August 13, At the schools <b>*Note: Parents that register at C/SAC must finalize the process at the schools on August 13.</b>

All special needs students are to report to their assigned buildings. Preschool children not pre-registered must contact the preschool site to check availability of openings on Wednesday, August 12.

With the exception of kindergarten students who were pre-registered last spring, the first-come, first-taken registration process is again being used because it seems to be the most reasonable and fair. If a space problem exists at the time of kindergarten registration, home attendance assignment will not be guaranteed.

**K-8 GRADE STUDENTS REQUESTING PERSONAL TRANSFERS MUST REGISTER AT THEIR HOME SCHOOL UNLESS THEIR PERSONAL TRANSFER HAS ALREADY BEEN APPROVED.**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL ORIENTATION** September 1, First day of school except as noted below.

Dakota Middle School	Open House – August 31 – Grade 6 – 5:30 p.m., Grade 7– 7p.m., Grade 8 – 7:30 p.m.
North Middle School	Meet the Teachers Night – August 27, 6 – 7:30 p.m.
South Middle School	Open House – August 27 – Grade 6 – 6 p.m., Grade 7– 6:30 p.m., Grade 8 – 7p.m.
Southwest Middle School	Meet the Teachers Night – August 27, 4 p.m. and Fall Festival - 5 – 7p.m. Grade 6 Orientation – August 31, 9 – 10 a.m.
West Middle School	Open House – August 31 – Cores 100 & 300 – 5 p.m., Cores 200 & 400– 5:30 p.m., Cores 500 & 600 – 6 p.m.

**SENIOR HIGH - All high school students are required to have student ID cards. The first photo is free of charge. Central students will have school picture/ID's taken on Aug. 19 & 20 between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. Stevens students will have school picture/ID's taken on Aug. 19 & 20 between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. Please report to the office.**

**REGISTRATION\***                      New Students & Students Without Class Schedules

\*Scheduling will not be possible August 3-7as RCAS will be involved in a district wide data base rollover.

Central	394-4063	Call the school during the summer for an appointment with the Registrar.
Stevens	394-4025	Call the school during the summer for an appointment with the Registrar.
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Academy	355-3087	Call the school beginning August 10 for an appointment.
9-10 Program	355-3087	Call the school beginning August 10 for an appointment
Jefferson Academy	394-4028	June 15 – Aug. 14, Call the school to pick up applications at Jefferson. The Registrar will call applicants to set up appointments for scheduling.
CLC Academy	394-6718	Applications can be picked up at the CLC Academy beginning August 17.

**ORIENTATION**                      9<sup>th</sup> Grade and New Students and Parents unless specified below.

Central-( <b>All students</b> )	August 25, all student orientation and make up school picture/ID's, CHS Theatre/Gym. Sessions: 9:15 a.m. freshmen A-L, 10:30 a.m. freshmen M-Z, 12:15 p.m. & 1:30 p.m. 10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> graders choose one of the PM sessions.
Stevens	August 28, 8 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. SHS Gym, Make up school picture/ID's will be taken August 28 between 8 a.m.-12:00 noon in the main building.
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Academy	August 20, Students and parents report to the Lincoln gym at 1 p.m. or 7 p.m. Photo ID pictures will be taken at orientation.
9-10 Program	August 18, Students and parents report to the Lincoln gym at 1 p.m. or 7 p.m. Photo ID pictures will be taken at orientation.
Jefferson Academy	The Registrar will contact parents to set up orientation. Photo ID pictures will be taken at orientation.
CLC Academy	Arrangements will be made at time of student interview for orientation, contract assignments, and photo ID's.

**FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Central	September 1, 8 a.m., Report to classes using 8 Period Day schedule
Stevens	September 1, 8:31 a.m., Report to classes as scheduled.
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Academy	September 1, Report to the gym for opening session.
9-10 Program	September 1, Report to classes as scheduled.
Jefferson Academy	September 1, Report to classes as scheduled.
CLC Academy	September 1, Report to classes as scheduled.

**FOOD SERVICE:** Cafeteria service (breakfast for grades K-12 and lunch for grades 1-12) will begin Tuesday, September 1 for all students. Free and reduced price lunches are available for those who qualify. Application forms will be available in August at registration.