

Agenda: Tuesday April 7, 2026  
7:00pm [Google Meets link](#)

- Welcome/Attendance
- Old News/Previous Events
  - Middle School Game Night - March 27, 6:00-7:30
  - Family Directory
- Upcoming Events
  - Stock the Breakroom - April - teacher feedback
  - Teacher Appreciation Week - May - final events planning
  - New Families Welcome Event - June (discuss at later point)
- Other Notes
  - New Email Address: [rtfamilygroup@risingtide.org](mailto:rtfamilygroup@risingtide.org)
- Follow Up Notes for Next Time

Agenda Item	Notes
Welcome/Attendance	Nicole Sykes (6th) Laura Hoag Hay (6th) Michelle Rankiin (6th) Zahra Williams Michael O'Keefe
Previous Events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Middle School Game Night</li> </ul>	-concerned with turnout via Signup Genius but it turned out to be a healthy group in size -we did appreciate Ryann Tew coming to help out! -Zahra disappointed she couldn't make it due to board meeting -next year: NOT a dropoff event needs to be noted as one child remained after 7:30-
Family Directory	-Holly Weeden got it up and running, posted (where)? -next year: more information, family emails and phone numbers or include first names?

<p>Upcoming Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Stock the Breakroom</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-week of Wed-Fri April 15-17 2026 (conferences)</li> <li>-Laura (with Jess's help): noodle cups, chocolate candy, string cheese, fruit, homemade cookies, individually wrapped snacks, seltzer,</li> <li>- "whatever is done is very much appreciated"</li> <li>-better response coming from Jess Koenig asking versus</li> <li>-Nicole will make the Signup Genius &amp; send it to Martha P ASAP :)</li> <li>-Laura will make a sign for the breakroom for that day so they know the items come from the family group</li> <li>-drop off items in main office on the Wednesday April 15th in the morning!</li> </ul>
<p>Upcoming Events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Teacher Appreciation Week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-week of May 4-8 2026 (&amp; week of May 11-15)</li> <li><u>Lunch: (done)</u></li> <li>-Laura contacted Texas Roadhouse and it will be held Wed. May 13</li> <li>-includes baked potato bar w toppings and it's ALL vegetarian/no bacon grease</li> <li>- "Dine to Donate" night of 10% going to RT Family Group ((May 18, 19, 26)) ((June 15 - could promote at new student event))</li> <li>-no armadillo this year :)</li> <li><u>Gift Cards: (done!)</u></li> <li>-gift card drawing: 5 gift cards to different places (Jersey Mikes, Panera, Starbucks, Chikfila, Dunkin')</li> <li>-lottery drum/spinner done at 2:55 each day Mon-Fri with each staff member's name on a slip of paper</li> <li>-ask Jess, Laura, Christina to gather the names for us</li> <li><u>Baskets (Google Doc)</u></li> <li>-5 baskets, will send out after we have finished 'stock the breakroom'</li> <li>-send it to all your child's friend's parents and tell them to send it to their connections as well!</li> <li>-baskets will be drawn on Friday 15th</li> <li>-Zahra suggested the possibility of doing an Amazon wishlist for certain items; concern with cost for smaller items; make addressee family group with RT address</li> <li>-is SchoolBucks a good option for money donations? (yes - maybe a nominal fee)</li> </ul>

<p>Michael O'Keefe/Zahra Williams input</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Zahra - ongoing awareness of families not engaging/responding to emails, school events etc. (how to ensure families are in the know and aware of events)</li> <li>-Michael - advisors - are there any parents that want to be more included?</li> <li>-Zahra - can send messages to just certain groups through Parent Square etc.</li> <li>-Zahra - sends morning memo to all teachers -</li> </ul>
<p>Other Notes</p>	<p>-new email address for group:  <a href="mailto:rtfamilygroup@risingtide.org">rtfamilygroup@risingtide.org</a></p>
<p>Follow-up Needed for Next Time</p>	<p>Nicole - Signup Genius for breakroom ASAP  Laura - signage for breakroom/teacher appreciation (to post in breakroom after April vacation)  Michelle - envelopes &amp; stickers for baskets and lottery gift card drawings...Nicole will provide the materials!  Zahra - will work on staff list for baskets &amp; gift card drawing  -next meeting: Tuesday April 28 at 7pm to discuss Teacher Appreciation events</p>