## **Creation Investigation**

This is a three-day, overnight field trip for 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> grade students to Beaver Camp. The schedule provides 9 hours of instruction, recreation time, a special night walk, and free time, and is supervised by teachers/chaperones from RVMS. This program also features a four-hour elective, which can include a guided afternoon on the Adventure Challenge Course, orienteering in the wilds, or canoeing on the Beaver River. The schedule also allots a half-hour morning devotion time where students can follow a prepared devotion, or the educator can lead them in group devotions. This usually takes place in September.

## **Grandparents Day**

Each year the grandparents are invited for lunch and a program afterwards. Lunch includes ham, mashed potatoes, corn, jello, rolls, and pie and ice cream. The school board organizes the meal, with parents sharing in the cost of food, as well as helping serve and clean up. The program is in charge of the music instructor.

## **Student Convention**

There are more than 135 events in academics, arts and crafts, platform arts, photography, and athletics. Winners of Regional Conventions are eligible for the International Student Convention held each spring. The week at Convention includes inspiring speakers, fellowship, and wholesome fun that lift young people to greater spiritual growth.

Teenagers may not know what they can do. Their talents, skills, and abilities are often hidden under a lack of confidence, in the shadow of a friend or relative, or simply due to a lack of guidance. A few coaching lessons on posture, gesture, and voice inflections can encourage teens to try out a clown act, expressive reading, poetry recitation, illustrated story, or preaching. Timid youth often excel in chess, checkers, Bible memory, spelling, or art entries. Many times, all they need is an adult to encourage them with routine guidance and praise. Participation in Student Convention draws out each teenagers' gifts.

The Mid-Atlantic Convention will be held this year in Mt. Bethel, P.A. from April 13<sup>th</sup> through the 17<sup>th</sup>. Students must be 13 by December 1 to participate. The cost is approximately \$210.00. A fundraiser helps to lower the cost.