



TIMBERWOLF NEWS

February 2022

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IMPORTANT DATES

- February 2**
Early Release
- February 9**
Board Mtg.
- February 11**
No School
- February 21**
No School
Teacher In-Service



Meeting An Author Through Zoom



The High School Modern Literature class was deciding on a novel to read together, so they looked for recommendations. Brad Van Epps, aka “Brad the Book Guy,” highly recommended Raft of Stars. Mrs. Scherer gathered enough copies of the book and were lucky enough to find the audiobook, as well. This recently released book came out in March 2021 and the story takes place in Wisconsin. It’s an adventure story with lots of twists, turns, and drama. Together, they experienced and discussed the story as it unfolded. Mrs. Scherer reached out to the author Andrew Graff for his mailing address and he offered to meet through Zoom with our class to answer our questions about the book and talk about writing. On January 20 they met him through Zoom. He was very easy to talk to and had many good insights about how the story Raft of Stars came to be. The students learned about his varied life experiences from growing up in Wisconsin to being an airforce jet mechanic and teaching at technical colleges and universities. Currently, he is an assistant professor of English at Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio. It was a really cool experience to have this opportunity to actually talk to an author about his book.

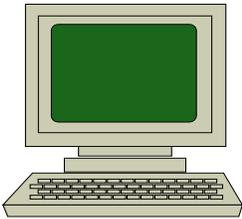


100th DAY of SCHOOL

February 8, 2022

Mission Statement

The River Ridge School District will strive to provide a safe, challenging environment for each individual student by promoting excellent staff development, encouraging meaningful parent involvement, and earning strong community support through honesty, integrity, and open communication.



Visit our website at www.rrsd.k12.wi.us

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Question or suggestions for future articles, please call the District Administrator's Office at 608-994-2715

Middle School Solo/Ensemble



These Middle School students will be participating in the Six-Rivers West Conference Solo/Ensemble Festival at Wauzeka on February 7. They have been working extremely hard on their solos and small ensembles and will represent our school well!



RIVER RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT 4K REGISTRATION

(Virtual Registration Ends February 18, 2022)

4K REGISTRATION 2022-2023

- Children who are eligible must be 4 yrs. old on or by **September 1, 2022**
- Registration will be completed online at **RRSD.K12.WI.US**
- After you register, if you do not receive a letter from school please contact **Kim Giese.**



**ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT
KIM GIESE AT 994-1065**

FEDERAL CIVIL RIGHTS POLICY STATEMENT

The River Ridge School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies:

District Administrator
P.O. Box 78, 11165 County Highway P
Patch Grove, WI 53817
Telephone No. 608-994-2715

For further information on notice of non-discrimination, visit <https://ocrcas.ed.gov/contact-ocr> for the address and phone number of the office that serves your area, or call 1-800-421-3481.

Book Club Sponsor



Mrs. Copsey’s 4K students are thankful for the books they receive from a community donation. Every month the 4K students receive a book from a community sponsored donation. The students take the book home to enjoy and read with their family.



Local Spelling Bee



Sixteen River Ridge 5th through 8th grade students competed in a local competition of the CESA 3 Spelling Bee on January 14. Mrs. Heidi served as pronouncer for the event. The judges were Mrs. Kathy Miller, Ms Katie Friar and Mrs. Wendy Scherer. Each classroom chose two students to participate. Pictured front row (left to right) 5th Graders: Hazel Breuer, Cooper Trier, Jackson Cooley, and Emma Schmitz, 6th Graders: Aayden Kreul, Lane Copsey, Reese Moravits, and Evah Tomasko. Back row (l. to r.) 7th Graders: Jonah Johnson, Jovie Kruger, Jalissa Cathman, and Erin Adrian, 8th Graders: Josey Drone, Eva Doll, Madelyn Wehrle, and Christian Irish.



The top three spellers were Erin Adrian, Jackson Cooley, and Cooper Trier (will be an alternate). Erin and Jackson advanced to the sectional level competition on January 27 in Fennimore. Congratulations to all!

School Counselor News

by Caron Townsend

Local Scholarships

Local scholarship packets will be distributed to seniors on March 1, 2022. If you are interested in sponsoring a River Ridge scholarship, please contact Miss Townsend by February 11. Over the years, many local organizations, businesses and individuals have helped a graduating senior with their educational expenses and it has always been greatly appreciated.

DATES TO REMEMBER

ACT Test – March 8, 2022 (Juniors)

ACT Aspire 9 – April 4-11, 2022 (Freshman)

ACT Aspire 10 – April 12-19, 2022 (Sophomores)

Forward Exam – April 21, 2022 (Sophomores)

AP English Lit Exam – May 4, 2022

AP US History Exam – May 6, 2022

AP Language – May 10, 2022

AP Biology Exam – May 11, 2022

2022-2023 Registration

9th-11th grade students have participated in informational sessions on course selection for the 2022-23 school year. Each student has received a registration packet and is required to have a signature from their parent/guardian before they hand it in. If any parent has a question about their son or daughter's credits, classes needed for graduation or academic and career planning, please contact Ms. Townsend.



February 21-25, 2022

Earth Day Can Cage Competition



4K-4th grade Students, Parents, and Guardians:

NHS presented information on Earth Day and our annual can drive to 4K-4th grade classrooms. Letters were sent home with each student explaining this event.

We will be collecting cans at the can cage near the greenhouse in the high school parking lot on

April 26, 27, and 28, 2022
from 7:30 and 8:00 AM

Please drop off your cans and tell us what grade your child is in so that we can give them credit for their donation.

Each class (4k-4th grade) will be competing against each other and the class that has the most weight in cans will be receiving coupons for Culver's Kids Meals. For all of their hard work and participation in the can drive the entire elementary will receive custard in late April or early May. Please make sure to stop in and thank the staff and management of Culver's Family Restaurant in Prairie du Chien.

The money collected from the can drive is used by various organizations here at the school district. We hope that you will help us follow the three R's and celebrate Earth Day by Reducing, Recycling, and Reusing.

Happy collecting,

River Ridge Student Council and National Honor Society

River Ridge High School - Second Quarter
High Honors (3.50 - 4.00)

GRADE 9

Alexis Beier
 Carter Copsey
 Maya Drone
 Brendan Jentz
 Carli Koenig
 Hailey Kramer
 Lydia Mason
 Colton Moris
 Andrew Nies
 Luke Patterson
 Braylyn Quick
 Alexa Roe
 Melissa Sletten
 Elliott Thornton
 Mandi Wehrle
 Reghan Zinkle

GRADE 10

Owen Callahan
 Jayden Cathman
 Saige Childs
 Avery Drew
 Shayna Graf
 Gretta Hamann
 Diana Herbers
 Daisy Hernandez
 Adriana Klotz
 Hailey Konichek
 Brooklyn Mezera
 Matthew Nies
 Madilyn Parker
 Audrey Pierce
 Landon Trautsch
 Jazmar Tyler
 Hailey Woodruff

GRADE 11

Emma Breuer
 Braden Crubel
 Hailey Dinatalli
 Esmeralda Duran
 Gabriel Duran
 Mackenzie Esser
 Ian Jentz
 Brody Kielley
 Payton Millin
 Jessica Patterson
 Alivia Polodna
 Haylee Scharmer
 Hannah Stagman
 Madelyn Thornton
 Julia Wagner
 Morgan Williams

GRADE 12

Ian Adrian
 Paige Bailey
 Jared Breuer
 Seth Breuer
 Jared Cathman
 Bryr Clark
 Cayton Clark
 William Cooley
 Kennedy Copsey
 Sara Cozzi
 Mercedes Crubel
 Victoria Doll
 Logan Drone
 Jenna Fuller
 Caitlin Herrick
 David Nies
 McKayla Noethe
 Samuel Reuter
 Alexis Tolle
 Alison West
 Olivia Zach
 Rachael Zinkle

Honors (3.00-3.49)

GRADE 9

Alayna Brinkman
 Bryy Clark
 Annasten Crayne
 Alix Goeke
 Jimena Hernandez-Perez
 Brynlee Kazda
 Peter Polodna
 Emily Tesar
 Sara West

GRADE 10

Brady Burmeister
 Micah Christopherson
 Mykenzie Cornell
 Arianna Edge
 Areli Tepole Chimalhua
 Ty Tolle
 Jade Underhill

GRADE 11

Kiley Brooks
 Aidan Gage
 Morgan Hammill
 Mattie Johnson
 Payton Kaufman
 Taylor Roe
 Abigail Wehrle
 Levi Wehrle

GRADE 12

Carter Bausch
 Allyson Bryant
 Sophia Gokey
 Tyler Lenzendorf
 Connor Mason
 Andrew Mims
 Avery Morrow
 Emmi Otte
 Sara Pederzini
 Samantha Stagman
 Sean Tolle

Attention

3rd – 8th Grade Parents!!!

Forward Exam Testing Dates and Information

By Kam Fohey

Our state testing is approaching this spring. It is important for your student to attend during testing dates. Please try your best to avoid scheduling appointments and other absences between March 28 and April 8.

A brochure put out by the Wisconsin Department of Education has more information concerning testing for your student. You can find a copy of the brochure at: https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/assessment/pdf/Forward_Brochure_for_Families.pdf

A hard copy can be printed for you at the school if needed. Also, if you are interested in checking out sample test problems you can go to the following website to do so:

<https://dpi.wi.gov/assessment/forward/sample-items>

Please make sure that your child gets a nutritious breakfast and a good night's sleep before testing days. Breakfast is available here at school for free every morning. If you have any questions or concerns please contact

Mrs. Fohey at 994-1063 or
foheyka@rrsd.k12.wi.us.

River Ridge Middle School - 2nd Quarter Honor Roll

High Honor Roll (3.50-4.00)

5th Grade: Hazel Breuer, Lindsay Burmeister, Jackson Cooley, Aleena Kirschbaum, Ezra Kramer, and Colby Winkers.

6th Grade: Asher Achenbach, Khloe Borcharding-Forbes, Meghyn Breuer, Stella Breuer, Maxim Dilley, Reese Moravits, Draven Moris, Ryder Myhre, Zoey Neeley, Ava Nies, and Eden Thornton.

7th Grade: Erin Adrian, Alaina Clark, Mallory Crubel, Parker Key, Harper Kramer, Keele Redman, and Blake Reynolds.

8th Grade: Luke Breuer, Tyler Breuer, Eva Doll, Josey Drone, Laila Drone, Ashlyn Edge, and Madeline Scharmer.

Honor Roll (3.00-3.49)

5th Grade: Addison Brooks, Wyatt Bull, Brielle Bunge, Rouhin Crayne, Paisley Eastlick, Layla Gage, Aadyn Groom, Hunter Jackson, Carsyn Jones, Axel Morrow, Charli Pritchett, Cooper Trier, Colton Wiest, and Carter Wilkinson.

6th Grade: Logan Callahan, Landon Copsey, Lane Copsey, Ashton Crubel, Colton Crubel, Nathan Crubel, Adayah Groom, Alan Hernandez-Perez, Anna Kruger, Olivia Kruger, Tyler Martin, Bryce Mason, Brogan Mezera, Jaxson Mezera, Brooklyn Roberts, Landon Udelhofen, and Harper Walsh.

7th Grade: Tatum Breuer, Maycee Brinkman, Jalissa Cathman, Noah Copsey, Abigail Doyle, Jonah Johnson, Jovie Kruger, Alexis Mumm, Britney Petsche, Collin Raisbeck, Emery Simerson, Braden Skaife, Kristina Sletten, Chloe West, and Yoselin Xocua-Bautista.

8th Grade: Ren Bowen, Brandon Davis, Reese Drew, Ava Edge, Ellaina Gage, Danica Hampton, Taddy Hoffman, Colton Kirschbaum, Mason Pecinovsky, and Aiden Walsh.

Happy
Valentine's
Day



What We Love About River Ridge

By: Students in Mrs. Scherer's English Language Arts Class

Staff

Great Staff

You should meet our principals
 Classroom support staff
 Cooks who prepare you lunch every day
 Office staff
 Janitors

Teachers

We have good teaching you should see
 Academic Excellence
 High expectations
 Help us learn
 Highest rated Middle School in Southwest Wisconsin on State Report Card

Facility

Library - best books, and a huge selection of books that you can enjoy

Playground - a place for kids to play

Gaga-Ball Pit - a lot of people play this game a lot

Athletic Facilities

Track - nice to just walk around or run on

The football field - a great place to do things

The baseball & softball fields - a place to go with friends

FFA's Greenhouse & School Forest

New addition - gym and middle school wing

Locker room - a place to change

Gym - for physical education and assemblies

The kitchen - where the cooks prepare you lunch every day

Lunchroom - delicious food

Vending machine - place to get a snack

The front office - where the meetings and secretary stuff happens

Activities

Field trips

Outdoor Education at Wyalusing

Class trip in May

8th grade Washington, D.C. trip

Homecoming activities

Red Ribbon Week

Spirit Week

Spelling Bee

Incentive parties

Arts

Watch a Missoula play

See our art displayed in hallways

Music

Choir - we are good at singing.

Band - listen to the 6th-grade band play

See a concert (fall, Christmas, spring)

Solo Ensemble Competition

Trips

Clubs and Organizations

Fuel Up to Play 60

Student Council

Student Library Advisory Team (SLAT)

Sports

Watch or participate

Watch our sports teams play in the Outdoor Sports Complex

- track & field, football, baseball & softball fields

Watch a game - volleyball, soccer, basketball

Watch the dance team perform

Watch a meet - cross country, wrestling

Watch the teachers vs. our basketball team play against each other

Watch the teachers vs. our volleyball team play against each other

Watch a game of Gaga ball played at recess

Seniors night

Our trophy case where all the great athletic achievements are shown

Records set by our athletes (many of us are very athletic)

Timberwolf Pride! River Ridge is a great place to learn, get involved, and have fun.

River Ridge Middle School

Students of the Month

January 2022



Tyler Breuer - 8th Grade

Tyler's nomination said, "Tyler has been nominated before but deserves to be Student of the Month because he works hard in his classes. He is involved in many activities for both the middle and high school and he is a kind person to fellow classmates and teachers alike. Tyler has challenged himself this quarter to read a difficult book and always has his work done on time." Way to go, Tyler!



Erin Adrian - 7th Grade

Erin's nomination read, "Erin is an awesome student. She takes a lot of pride in her school work and strives to get the best grades possible. She is a hard worker and a great classmate. She is always willing to help other students during labs and group activities. Erin is a great role model for the whole middle school!" Keep up the good work, Erin!



Stella Breuer - 6th Grade

Stella's nomination said, "Stella worked very hard to create a unique story and illustrated picture book. She worked through the revision process and shared with others." Congrats, Stella!



Lindsay Burmeister - 5th Grade

Lindsay's nomination read, "Lindsay is an exemplary student. She has never had a late assignment, and her grades reflect her hard work. Between gymnastics and school, Lindsay does an excellent job of balancing her workload. She is quick to offer assistance to others, and is an overall joy to have in the classroom." Nice job, Lindsay!



December Nominees

8th Grade - Ellaina Gage & Josey Drone

7th Grade - Kristina Sletten

6th Grade - Zoey Neeley

5th Grade - Hazel Breuer



LIBRARY CORNER

8th Graders Share MLK Memorial Experience

To celebrate and promote Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, a few of the 8th graders visited with the 4th graders during library time.

Laila, Ren, Josey, Christian, and Madeline read a book to introduce MLK and then shared their experiences seeing the MLK Memorial in Washington, DC in October.



No School!



Friday, February 11

No School for Staff and Students

Monday, February 21

No School For Students
Teacher In-Service

RIVER RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT NOTICE OF EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS

River Ridge School District offers a variety of educational options to children who reside in the District. The District's primary educational pathway and instructional program for students involves a progression from 4-year-old kindergarten (Early Learning) through 12th grade, leading to a high school diploma. The District's schools include: Elementary (grades 4K-4), Middle (grades 5-8), and High School (grades 9-12). Some of the specific education programs offered to eligible students who are enrolled in and attending River Ridge School District schools include the following:

- Advanced Placement Courses
- Online Courses
- Summer School programming
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs
- Individualized program and curriculum modifications
- HSED completion in conjunction with Southwest Technical College
- At Risk education for students who meet statutory definition
- Special Education
- Early childhood special education (for students who are at least 3 years old but not yet school-age)

A full version of the District's most recent school and school district accountability report, as issued by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction under section 115.385 of the state statutes, can be accessed on the River Ridge website https://www.rrsd.k12.wi.us/district/school_reportcard.cfm. The most recent ranking level (from 2020-21) assigned to each school within the District is: District 84.7, High School 74.8, Middle School 87.6, and Elementary 89.6.

Educational options for students who are enrolled in the River Ridge School District that involve part-time attendance at an educational institution other than a school of the River Ridge District include the following:

- The **Part-time Public School Open Enrollment** <https://dpi.wi.gov/open-enrollment/ptoe>, which
 - Provides opportunities to apply to attend up to two courses in nonresident pupil school districts;
 - and
 - Is available only to public high school students
 - The **Early College Credit Program** <https://dpi.wi.gov/dual-enrollment/eccp>, which
 - Provides opportunities to apply for approval to take courses at an institution of higher education for high school and/or college credit
 - The **Technical College Course** ("Start College Now") Program, which
 - Provides opportunities to apply for approval to enroll in one or more courses at a technical college; and
 - Is subject to eligibility requirements defined in applicable statutes, regulations, and District policies; and
 - Is available only to students who are enrolled in 11th or 12th grade
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Additional educational options for children who reside in the District that involve fulltime enrollment/attendance at a school, program, or other educational institution that is not a school or instrumentality of the River Ridge School District include the following:

- High school students meeting certain age and other eligibility requirements may be permitted to attend a technical college or certain other programs for the purpose of completing a program leading to the student's high school graduation or to a high school equivalency diploma.
- Fulltime Open Enrollment involving physical attendance in a public school of a nonresident school district or attendance through a virtual charter school that is associated with a nonresident school district.
- Beginning in the 2016-17 school year, a child with a disability who meets the program's specific eligibility requirements may apply to attend an eligible, participating private school under a scholarship awarded through the state's "Special Needs Scholarship Program," as established under section 115.7915 of the state statutes.
- Enrollment in a private school participating in the Wisconsin parental choice program.
- Enrollment in a private school of the family's choosing (at the family's own cost, as applicable).
- Enrollment in a homebased private educational program as provided under state law
<http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/private-schools>

Educational options for children who reside in the River Ridge School District but who are enrolled in and/or attending a private school or homebased private educational program include the following:

- Such students have the opportunity to attend summer school classes/programs offered in the District. Private school students in the high school grades have the opportunity to apply for approval to take up two courses per semester in a District school, pursuant to section 118.145(4) of the state statutes.
- Students who are enrolled in a homebased private educational program have the opportunity to: – Apply for approval to take up two courses per semester in public schools as provided under section 118.53. – Participate in District interscholastic athletics and other District extracurricular activities as provided under section 118.133.
- Special Needs Scholarship Program as established under section 115.7915 of the state statutes.

For more information about any of the educational options listed in this notice, please contact the District's main administrative office at 608-994-2715 or the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

There is no charter or private school operating within the boundaries of the River Ridge School District participating in the school choice program.

**HAPPY
TWO DAY!**

2 / 22 / 2022

- February is the 2nd month of the year
- February 22nd is the 22nd day of the month
- The year is 2022
- The day of the week is a Tuesday



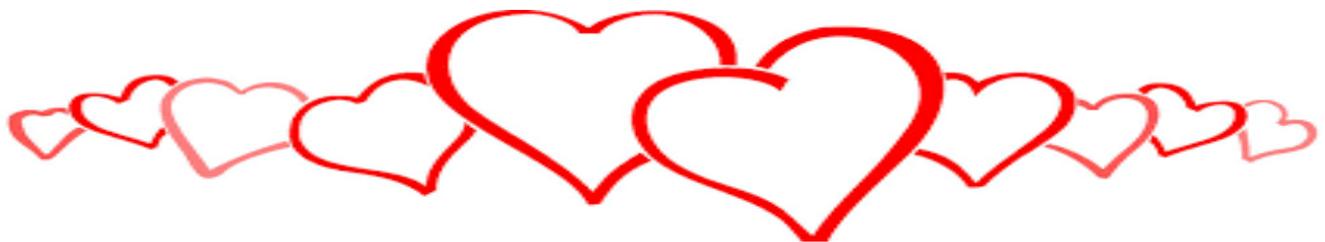
Valentine's Day Treat Delivery

Send your child something sweet for Valentine's Day!

- Bag of Chips with Gram: "You are all that and a bag of chips"
- Candy Bar with Gram: "Happy ♥ Day! H♥pe Y♥ur Day is Super Sweet"
- CRUSH Pop with Gram: "I S♥DA think you are amazing"

The River Ridge Student Washington DC Trip will be having Valentine's Day Treat Sale for the students in 4K through 8th grade. The treat with gram will be delivered to school on Monday, February 14th. All students will receive Valentine's Day Treat from their parents or the River Ridge Student Washington DC Trip.

If you would like to send your child a treat, please fill out the order form below and send it back to school. Please put the form and money in an envelope at attention: **Middle School Office**. All orders need to be submitted to the office by **Tuesday, February 8th**.



I would like to send my child a treat and a gram for Valentine's Day.

His/her name _____

Grade _____ Homeroom Teacher _____

_____ Bag of Chips with Gram	Total _____ (\$1.00)
_____ Candy Bar with Gram	Total _____ (\$1.00)
_____ Can of CRUSH Pop with Gram	Total _____ (\$ 1.00)

If you would like to have a special message delivered with the treat and gram, please write it below.

Substitute Teacher Training

*Bachelor and Associates Degree Holders
Can Work as Substitute Teachers!*



A Two-Year Associates or Four-Year Bachelors Degree in any area is necessary for you to participate in this training.

The seminar will introduce participants to the field of substitute teaching by covering the general expectations of a substitute teacher, pertinent information on health issues, successful discipline techniques, hints for working with students who have special needs and more.

All participants will earn a Certificate of Participation!

Thursday, March 10, 2022

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Seminar

CESA 3

This training will be offered IN-PERSON at the CESA 3 Office, Conference Room A, 1300 Industrial Dr., Fennimore, WI 53809

Cost: \$100.00

Pre-registration is required!

Please register early.

Registration deadline is Monday, March 7, 2022!

Please send payment prior to training to secure registration.

Checks should be made payable to CESA 3, 1300 Industrial Dr., Fennimore, WI 53809

Register online at:

<https://login.myquickreg.com/register/event/event.cfm?from cms=1&eventid=29834>

or visit MyQuickReg at: <https://login.myquickreg.com/>

For further information, please contact:
Kate Hennessy at CESA 3
608-822-2149 or khennessy@cesa3.org



2022-2023 Full-Time Open Enrollment Regular Application Period for Wisconsin Public Schools

INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

You may apply for open enrollment from February 7-April 29, 2022.

What is Public School Open Enrollment?

Wisconsin's public school open enrollment program allows parents to apply for their children to attend a school district other than the one in which they live. Applications may be submitted to up to three nonresident school districts if the pupil wishes to attend a brick and mortar school. There are no limitations to the number of open enrollment applications that can be submitted to a virtual charter school.

How and when may parents apply?

The open enrollment regular application period for the 2022-23 school year is from February 7-April 29, 2022. The application period closes at 4:00 p.m. on April 29, 2022. Late applications will not be accepted for any reason.

Parents may apply online at <https://dpi.wi.gov/oe>.

Can I apply to a virtual charter school under open enrollment?

A pupil may only open enroll to an online/virtual school if: (1) the school has been created as a virtual charter school that meets the requirements of the charter school law [Wis. Stats. 118.40 (8)] or (2) the pupil is required to physically attend school on a regular basis in a school located in the nonresident school district on the days that school is in session. Other important things to know about applying to virtual charter schools:

- A virtual charter school is not homeschooling. Pupils attending virtual charter schools are public school pupils.
- You must know the nonresident school district in which the virtual charter school is located.
- You must know your resident school district to apply.
- A list of virtual charter schools may be found at <https://dpi.wi.gov/parental-education-options/charter-schools/virtual-charter-schools>.

Can parents appeal if an application is denied?

Parents whose applications are denied may appeal to the DPI within 30 days of the denial. State law requires the DPI to uphold the school district's decision unless DPI finds that the decision was arbitrary or unreasonable. The DPI's decision may be appealed to circuit court.

Who may participate in open enrollment?

Pupils in kindergarten to grade 12 may apply to participate in open enrollment.

Open enrollment for prekindergarten, four-year-old kindergarten and early childhood education is limited. Parents should call their resident school districts to find out if their preschool-aged children qualify for open enrollment.

Can an application be rejected?

Nonresident school districts may deny an application if regular or special education space is not available for the pupil; special education or related services are not available; or if the pupil has been referred for a special education evaluation but has not yet been evaluated. Nonresident school districts may also deny an application if the pupil has been expelled during the current or preceding two years for certain violent conduct or if the pupil was habitually truant from the nonresident school district during any semester in the current or previous school year.

If there are more applications than spaces, pupils must be selected randomly, after giving preference to pupils already attending school in the nonresident school district and siblings of currently-attending pupils.

Some school districts establish waiting lists to fill unused spaces, but others do not.

Can a resident district prevent a pupil from leaving?

A resident district can deny a pupil's application for an invalid application (early or late application or missing information), ineligibility due to age (too young or too old), or if the resident district does not offer the same type of prekindergarten, four-year-old kindergarten, or early childhood program as the nonresident district or the pupil is not eligible for the program in the resident district. These are also reasons that a nonresident district can deny an application.

Must pupils reapply every year?

Once a pupil is accepted into a nonresident school district, the pupil may continue to attend that district without reapplication except that:

- The nonresident district may require a pupil to reapply one time— at the beginning of middle school, junior high or high school.
- A pupil may be returned to the resident school district if the special education required in a new or revised IEP is not available in the nonresident district or there is no space.
- A pupil who has become habitually truant in the nonresident district may be returned to the resident district.

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Is there a cost for parents to participate in the open enrollment program?

There is no tuition cost to parents for participation in open enrollment. Parents of open enrolled pupils may be charged the same fees as resident pupils.

Who is responsible for transportation?

Parents are responsible for transporting their children to and from school.

If transportation is required in the IEP for a child with a disability, it must be provided by the nonresident district.

School districts may provide transportation to open enrollment pupils if they wish. Usually, if transportation is provided, parents must transport the pupil to a location in the nonresident district.

Low-income parents may apply to the DPI at the end of the school year for partial reimbursement of their transportation costs.



Can a parent select a specific school in the pupil's nonresident school district?

Yes. A parent may request a specific school or program in the nonresident district. However, assignment to the requested school or program is not guaranteed and your pupil may be assigned to a different school other than the one requested. It is up to each nonresident district to determine a pupil's school assignment.

Can an open enrolled pupil participate in sports and other extra-curricular activities in the nonresident school district?

Open enrolled pupils have the same rights and responsibilities as resident pupils.

Inter-scholastic athletics are governed by the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA), which has rules concerning transfer pupils. Parents should check with the school district's athletic director about eligibility.

IMPORTANT OPEN ENROLLMENT DATES

February 7 – April 29, 2022

Parents must submit applications online or directly to the nonresident school district.

June 10, 2022

Nonresident school districts must send notices of approval or denial via US mail or email. If the application is approved, the school district must notify the parents of the specific school or program to which the pupil is assigned. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal.

June 17, 2022

Resident districts must notify applicants if the application is denied. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal.

June 24, 2022

Parents of accepted applicants must notify the nonresident district if the pupil will attend the nonresident district in the 2022-23 school year. If the parent fails to make this notification, the nonresident district may refuse to allow the pupil to attend the district.



For more information contact:

Public School Open Enrollment Program
Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction
P.O. Box 7841, Madison, WI 53707-7841
Toll-free: 888-245-2732, option 2
openenrollment@dpi.wi.gov
<https://dpi.wi.gov/oe>

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Breakfast/Lunch Menu - February, 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
31	1 French Toast Bake & Sausage Links Walking Taco Buttered Corn Fresh/Canned Fruit Chocolate Chip Cookie Milk	2 Berry Smoothie & Cereal Bar Mozzarella Dippers w/Marinara Seasoned Green Beans Fresh/Canned Fruit Milk	3 Chocolate Chip/Cinnamon Breakfast Cake & Yogurt Chicken Fajita Savory Rice Steamed Carrots Fresh/Canned Fruit Milk	4 Pancake on a Stick Pizza Tossed Salad Baby Carrots & Dip Fresh/Canned Fruit Milk
7 Cereal & Pop Tart Cheeseburger Casserole Green Beans Garlic Breadstick Fresh/Canned Fruit Milk	8 Breakfast Pizza Chicken Patty on a Bun French Fries Peas Fresh/Canned Fruit Milk	9 Fresh Muffin & Yogurt Hamburger/Cheeseburger on a Bun Baked Ranch Wedges Baked Beans Fresh/Canned Fruit Milk	10 Sunrise Biscuit w/Sausage Totchos Buttered Corn Fresh/Canned Fruit Milk	11 No School
14 French Toast Sticks & Bacon Chili Cheese/Cheese Fries Buttered Corn Fresh/Canned Fruit Happy Valentine's Treat Milk	15 Cereal & Donut Holes Chicken Alfredo Steamed Carrots Fresh/Canned Fruit Garlic Breadstick Milk	16 Blueberry & Cinnamon Breakfast Cake & Yogurt Mozzarella Dippers w/Marinara Seasoned Green Beans Fresh/Fruit Salad Milk	17 Scrambled Eggs & Toast Broccoli Cheese Soup & Potato Soup Deli Ham Sandwich Baby Carrots & Celery Fresh & Canned Fruit Milk	18 Rise & Shine Croissant w/Bacon Chicken Patty on a Bun Tater Tots Baked Beans Fresh/Canned Fruit Milk
21 No School	22 Cheese Omelet & Toast Spaghetti & Meat Sauce Steamed Broccoli Fresh/Canned Fruit Garlic Toast Milk	23 Pancakes & Sausage French Bread Pizza Tossed Salad Oreo Fluff Fresh/Canned Fruit Milk	24 Breakfast Pizza BBQ Pork Sandwich Cheesy Hashbrowns Steamed Carrots Fresh/Canned Fruit Milk	25
28 Cereal & Donut Holes Chicken & Dressing Casserole Seasoned Green Beans Fresh/Canned Fruit Fresh Dinner Roll Milk	1	2	3	4

Breakfast is served with choice of fruit and milk daily.

Two entrees will be offered each day. Students may choose one. The second option for PK - 4th grade is a yogurt lunch (consists of 4 oz. yogurt, uncrustable, vegetable, fruit, and milk) and the second option for 5th - 12th is a chef salad.

Each meal must have a combined 1/2 cup total of vegetables and/or fruit on the tray in order to qualify for a reimbursable lunch

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

FEBRUARY 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
		1 10:00 AM Play 60 Sem. Kick Off 4:30 PM MSGB @ Riverdale 6:00 PM HSBB @ Richland Center	2 12:30 PM Early Release 1:00 PM Teacher In-Service	3 6:00 PM HSGB vs Belmont	4 6:00 PM HSBB vs TBA	5 Regional FBLA Varsity Dance State at La Crosse 10:00 AM WR @ Ithaca	
6	7 Middle School Solo/Ensemble	8 6:00 PM HSBB vs Desoto 6:00 PM HSGB @ MFL Mar Mac	9 5:30 PM Board Mtg.	10 4:30 PM MSGB vs Fennimore 6:00 PM HSBB vs Shullsburg	11 No School 6:00 PM HSGB @ Cassville	12 MSGB Tourney @ Wauzeka/Steuben 10:00 AM WR Regional @ Lancaster	
13	14  4:30 PM MSGB vs Bluff View	15 WR Sectional -TBA 6:00 PM HSBB vs Belmont	16	17 6:00 PM HSGB vs Benton	18 Progress Reports 6:00 PM HSBB @ Benton	19 WR Sectional at Westby	
20	21 No School Teacher In-Service Sub District Forensics	22 HSGB Regional	23 FFA Week			25 WR State HSGB Regional	26 WR State HSGB Regional
27	28						

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE RIVER RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE RIVER RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN:
DECEMBER 8, 2021 AT 5:30 PM.

I. Call to order – Board President, Kenny Nies called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM

II. Roll Call – Present; Kenny Nies, Jason Cathman, Cory Moravits, Aaron Stagman, Kirk Hamann, Adam Guthrie, Josh Copsey arrived at 5:37 PM. Adam Guthrie left at 6:54 PM

III. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

IV. Statement of Notice – Board President, Kenny Nies approved the posting and called the meeting official.

V. Appearances – There were no public appearances.

VI. Approval of Minutes

A) November 10, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes – Jason Cathman made a motion to approve the minutes. Kirk Hamann seconded the motion and it passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

VII. Reports

A) Finance – Tracy Stagman

i. Financial statements, receipts, and expenditures – Tracy Stagman presented the financial statements, receipts, and expenditures for November 2021. Cory Moravits made a motion to approve the financial statement pending an audit of 2021/22 for revenues of \$298,367.44 and expenditures of \$798,851.37. Aaron Stagman seconded the motion and it passed on a 7-0 roll call vote.

B) Administration Report

i. State Report Card

- (a) K4-4th grade received a 89.6 which significantly exceeds expectations.
- (b) 5th - 8th grade received a 87.6 which significantly exceeds expectations.
- (c) 9th – 12 grade received a 74.8 which exceeds expectations.

(d) The overall score for K4 - 12th grade is 84.7 which significantly exceeds expectations. The score of 84.7 is the 8th highest score in the state of Wisconsin.

VIII. New Business

A) COVID – 19 – Jason Cathman made a motion to allow Coaches to be mask optional for all sports. Adam Guthrie seconded the motion and it passed on a 7-0 voice vote.

B) Adult Meal Price – Adam Guthrie made a motion to increase the adult meal price to \$4.65. Aaron Stagman seconded the motion and it passed on a 7-0 roll call vote.

C) Hiring/Resignations

i. Kitchen Staff Member – Cory Moravits made a motion to accept the resignation of Renee Klein. Jason Cathman seconded the motion and it passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

ii. Custodian – Aaron Stagman made a motion to accept the resignation of Jeff Thornton. Josh Copsey seconded the motion and it passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

iii. Custodian – Jason Cathman made a motion to approve the hiring of Stan Jensen. Aaron Stagman seconded the motion and it passed on a 6-0 voice vote.

IX. Convene into Closed Session Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercise responsibility.

A) Employee Performance/Expectations – Cory Moravits made a motion to convene into closed session. Kirk Hamann seconded the motion and it passed on a 6-0 roll call vote. The meeting was in closed session at 7:02 PM

X. Reconvene in open session – Cory Moravits made a motion to reconvene in open session. Aaron Stagman seconded the motion and it passed on a 6-0 voice vote. The meeting was back in open session at 7:22 PM

XI. Action, if any required to be taken in open session, on closed session matters. - No action was needed.

XII. Appearances – There were no public appearances.

XIII. Information

A) Upcoming Meeting Schedule

- i. Policy & Curriculum Meeting – January 5, 2022 at 5:00 PM
- ii. Regular Board Meeting – January 12, 2022 at 5:30 PM

XIV. Adjourn – Jason Cathman made a motion to adjourn. Josh Copsey seconded the motion and it passed on a 6-0 voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM



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