



# TIMBERWOLF NEWS

May 2023

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- May 9**  
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Board Meeting
- May 17**  
Senior Awards
- May 19**  
HS Graduation
- May 24**  
8th Grade Graduation



## River Ridge Proudly Announces the 2023 Valedictorian and Salutatorian



**Jessica Patterson**



**Madelyn Thornton**

Jessica Patterson, daughter of Dale and Janet Patterson of Glen Haven has been named River Ridge’s 2023 Valedictorian. Not only is Jessica at the top of her class, she is also involved in 4H, band, basketball, cross country, FFA, track, National Honor Society, school newspaper, and Student Council. As a school leader, she is President of FFA, Vice President of the National Honor Society and captain of the basketball, cross country, and track teams. Jessica will be attending UW-Whitewater in the fall to pursue a degree in Math Education.

Madelyn Thornton, daughter of Kerry Thornton and the late Bill Thornton of Bagley has been named our 2023 Salutatorian. In addition to being an outstanding student, Madelyn has been involved in dance, FFA, Leo’s Club, National Honor Society, track, and volleyball. Her leadership positions include FFA Secretary/Treasurer, Leo’s Club President, National Honor Society President and captain of the dance, track, and volleyball teams. Madelyn plans to attend the University of Dubuque to pursue a degree in Flight Operations.

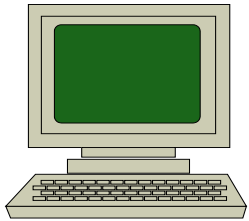


## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

Friday, May 19, 2023 \* 7:00 PM  
In the High School Gym

## 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](http://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

## Sources of Strength

by Katie Dressler



Sources of Strength recently wrapped up its "Get the Word Out!" campaign. Members of our Middle School Sources of Strength crew took over the morning announcements, sharing a new wedge of the wheel each day. The student body was encouraged to add a sticky note to the wheel each day representing how they interact with that day's wheel wedge! This campaign was a great success, as the Sources of Strength wheel was completely covered by the end of the eight-day period. Students are anxiously looking forward to the Color Walk coming up on May 10 during school hours. All pledges received will be donated to Oaklynn Peterson cancer benefit fund. A jmc message center reminder will be sent out as we get closer to the date. Students should bring walking shoes, sunscreen, and dress in their class color!



## NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

The Board does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital status, parental status, sexual orientation, sex, (including transgender status, change of sex or gender identity), or physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability (“Protected Classes”) in any of its student program and activities. The Board designates the following individuals to serve as the District’s “Compliance Officers.”

Amy Jones - Student Service Coordinator  
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P.O. Box 78, 11165 County Highway P  
Patch Grove, WI 53817

Bill Hannah - Elementary Principal  
608-994-2715 ext. 102  
P.O. Box 78, 11165 County Highway P  
Patch Grove, WI 53817

## Track Teams Take First Place



The boys and girls track teams bought home a 1st place win from the Cassville Invite on Thursday, April 13. Good luck River Ridge Track team in the rest of your season.

## High School Summer Classes Offered

by Caron Townsend

Online credit recovery will be offered again this summer for high school students. This is only for students who have failed a core class in either English, Math, Science, or Social Science. We will be using the Wisconsin Virtual School as our online vendor. If you have any questions or would like to enroll your child, please contact Caron Townsend at [townsenca@rrsd.k12.wi.us](mailto:townsenca@rrsd.k12.wi.us)

## Title I Math Night

by Deb Trautsch



On Wednesday, April 5, students in 4K-6th grade were able to attend the Title I Family Math Night with Papa Murphy’s Pizza. Mary Sheckler was the host and talked to the students about measurements and weight. Each student was able to make their own personal pan pizza. Students were also able to go to the library and enjoy a book with their family.



## Music News

### State Solo/Ensemble



Congratulations to High School Choir seniors Madelyn Thornton and Kiley Brooks. They both received a \*1 at Six-Rivers West Solo/Ensemble Festival and they will perform their Italian songs at State Solo/Ensemble Festival held at UW-Platteville on April 29. Good luck Ladies!

### UPCOMING Events

#### State Solo/Ensemble

April 29- UW-Platteville

#### Large Group Contest

May 3

Hosted at River Ridge

#### Music Awards Night

May 10 - HS Gym

#### Senior Awards Banquet

May 17 - 7:00 PM

#### High School Graduation

May 19 - 7:00 PM

#### 8th Grade Graduation

May 24 - 7:00 PM

#### Memorial Day Parade

May 29

### First Year Honors Band



The 5th grade band members participated in the First Year Honors Band in Boscobel. The students did a great job and we are very proud of them.

### Large Group Festival



On Wednesday, May 3, River Ridge music department will be hosting the Six-Rivers West Large Group Band and Choral Festival. The Middle School and High School Band and Choir will perform selected music pieces by the directors, Mr. Aaron Cooley and Mrs. Ellen Martin. They have been practicing hard and the music sounds amazing through the hallways of the school. Good luck music students and directors!



### Thank You

Thank you, Edward Vaillincourt III for coming to River Ridge to student teach. We have enjoyed you sharing your love for music and teaching our students. We wish you all the best as you begin your new adventure.

### FBLA State Competition by Tina Dilley



FBLA has had yet another busy month. During April, FBLA took members who wanted to go to a Buck's game in Milwaukee at the Fiserv Forum. The Buck's played against the Memphis Grizzlies. Another awesome event FBLA attended was the State Leadership Conference in Green Bay, WI. They visited Lambeau Field and toured the stadium and hall of fame. Members who qualified from regionals participated in different events such as knowledge

tests and presentations. While at the convention members were also encouraged to participate in many workshops that were available. The following members all placed at the state level: Ty Tolle 5th place Networking Infrastructure, Hannah Stagman 6th place Healthcare Administration, Maya Drone 6th place HR Management, Gretta Hamann and Brooklyn Mezera 6th place Graphic Design, Ben Dilley and Aidan Gage 6th place Network Design, Libby Vogt 7th place

Agribusiness, Hailey Konichek 8th place Accounting II and Braden Crubel as recognition for our chapter's Who's Who in FBLA. Brooklyn Mezera was also inducted into the State Officer team as the Region IV Vice President. We had one Nationals qualifier which was Jimena Hernandez received 2nd place in Introduction to Business Communications and is a national qualifier for competition in Atlanta, Georgia this summer. Great work members and good luck to Jimena at the FBLA National competition.



## 5TH GRADE STATES FAIR



We hope you can join us and enjoy a tour of the United States through State Booth Displays.

Friday, May 19, 2023  
1:00 - 2:30 PM

In the Middle School Gym



### SHOPPING ONLINE FOR GROCERIES?

#### Don't Have a Paper Receipt?

Whether you're doing grocery delivery, pickup or had your receipt emailed to you at checkout, you can still earn cash for your school by submitting digital receipts (also known as email or e-receipts) from select retailers. If your receipt contains participating products, Box Tops will be credited within 2 weeks.

### Senior Schedule

Monday, May 15  
Senior Exams



Tuesday, May 16  
Senior Exams



Wednesday, May 17  
Senior Check Out  
7:30-8:00 AM

Senior Awards Night  
7:00 PM  
High School Gym (no meal)



Friday, May 19  
Interfaith-St.John's Church  
Patch Grove  
8:00 AM

Senior Breakfast  
River Ridge School Cafeteria  
9:00 AM

Senior Walk - 9:30 AM

Graduation Practice - 10:00 AM

Decorate the Gym

Graduation – 7:00 PM



*Note: All school and/or Jostens fees must be paid in full by **May 12** or you will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.*

### Junior Prom 2023



River Ridge Junior Prom was held on Saturday, April 22 at the Prairie du Chien Country Club. The theme of the prom was “Dripping in Luxury”. The event started at 7:00 PM with the Grand March at 8:30 PM. The 2023 queen was Madyson Farris and king was Ricardo Barrita. The royalty court were Hailey Woodruff, Brady Bunge, MyKenzie Cornell, Owen Callahan, Madilyn Parker, and Jacob DeMerchant. Miniatures were Justice Wachter and Mateo Garrido. Mary Hampton Photography was there to capture the fun moments, gowns and suits, and smiling faces. The students enjoyed the evening dancing and playing games. Post prom was held at the Hoffman Hall by the parent’s of the Junior class.



**A New Book Experience**  
Second Graders are the first to get to experience a new kind of book ...  
**VOX books!**  
These books have built-in audio that reads the book to you!



**Middle School Chess Tournament**  
Our first chess tournament was a hit, so we're doing a second one! 6 - 8 graders are engaged in a single-elimination bracket to battle for the title of Chess Champion!

News from our Library!



## High School 3rd Quarter Honor Roll

### High Honors (3.50 - 4.00)

#### GRADE 9

Luke Breuer  
Eva Doll  
Josey Drone  
Laila Drone  
Ashlyn Edge  
Ellaina Gage  
Colton Kirschbaum  
Madeline Scharmer  
Libby Vogt  
Cameron Wehrle

#### GRADE 10

Ty Adrian  
Alexis Beier  
Alayna Brinkman  
Bryy Clark  
Carter Copsey  
Maya Drone  
Alix Goeke  
Brendan Jentz  
Brynlee Kazda  
Carli Koenig  
Hailey Kramer  
Lydia Mason  
Colton Moris  
Andrew Nies  
Luke Patterson  
Pierce Pritchett  
Braylyn Quick  
Alexa Roe  
Melissa Sletten  
Elliott Thornton  
Mandi Wehrle  
Reghan Zinkle

#### GRADE 11

Owen Callahan  
Mykenzie Cornell  
Gretta Hamann  
Diana Herbers  
Daisy Hernandez  
Hailey Konichek  
Brooklyn Mezera  
Matthew Nies  
Madilyn Parker  
Audrey Pierce  
Landon Trautsch  
Jazmar Tyler  
Hailey Woodruff

#### GRADE 12

Braden Crubel  
Benjamin Dilley  
Hailey Dinatalli  
Alexia Doyle  
Liberty Drew  
Gabriel Duran  
Mackenzie Esser  
Karen Hernandez  
Ian Jentz  
Mattie Johnson  
Brody Kielley  
Payton Millin  
Jessica Patterson  
Alivia Polodna  
Taylor Roe  
Haylee Scharmer  
Hannah Stagman  
Madelyn Thornton  
Julia Wagner  
Abigail Wehrle  
Morgan Williams

### Honors (3.00-3.49)

#### GRADE 9

Ren Bowen  
Tyler Breuer  
Abbigail Bryant  
Brock Bunge  
Brandon Davis  
Reese Drew  
Ava Edge  
Danica Hampton  
Christian Irish

#### GRADE 10

Drake Barrineau  
Samuel Cooley  
Jimena Hernandez-Perez  
Cayden Koehn  
Peter Polodna  
Emily Tesar  
Owen Wagner

#### GRADE 11

Braydon Bull  
Brady Burmeister  
Saige Childs  
Micah Christopherson  
Rebecca Dilley  
Avery Drew  
Shayna Graf  
Precious Grinnell  
Hunter Moris  
Ty Tolle

#### GRADE 12

MaKenna Bausch  
Emma Breuer  
Kiley Brooks  
Thomas Jelinek  
Payton Kaufman  
Xavier Koopmeiners  
Tanner Lansing  
Sidney McCormick  
Logan Mumm  
Eley Otte  
Alli Wagner  
Levi Wehrle





## Middle School 3rd Quarter Honor Roll

### *High Honor Roll (3.50-4.00)*

**5th Grade:** Emory Achenbach, Sawyer Breuer, Abigail Cooper, Trevor Ellis, Aniyla Entwisle, Amelia Gokey, Lydia Gokey, Gabriel Kluesner, Mae Lindstrum, Levi Mason, Avery Needham, Brooks Osterhaus, Kennedy Raisbeck, Braelyn Schneider, and Maggie Thornton.

**6th Grade:** Hazel Breuer, Lindsay Burmeister, Jackson Cooley, Carsyn Jones, Aleena Kirschbaum, Ezra Kramer, Carter Wilkinson, and Colby Winkers.

**7th Grade:** Asher Achenbach, Khloe Borcharding-Forbes, Meghyn Breuer, Stella Breuer, Nathan Crubel, Maxim Dilley, Leif Kluesner, Jazalyn Mezera, Reese Moravits, Draven Moris, Ryder Myhre, Zoey Neeley, Ava Nies, and Eden Thornton.

**8th Grade:** Erin Adrian, Alaina Clark, Mallory Crubel, Parker Key, Harper Kramer, Keele Redman, Blake Reynolds, and Kristina Sletten.

### *Honor Roll (3.00-3.49)*

**5th Grade:** Jayce Bloom-Mergen, Nicholas Crubel, Zayne Crubel, Ava Dilley, Shaniyla Entwisle, Courtney Hammill, Ryan Kirschbaum, Ivanelle Moore, Tayvn Phillips, Farrah Randecker, Corbin Redman, Brinlee Reynolds, and Taylor Toberman.

**6th Grade:** Wyatt Bull, Rouhin Crayne, Paisley Eastlick, Layla Gage, Aadyn Groom, Axel Morrow, Cooper Trier, and Colton Wiest.

**7th Grade:** Logan Callahan, Landon Copsey, Lane Copsey, Adayah Groom, Adelaide Hamilton, Alan Hernandez-Perez, Anna Kruger, Bryce Mason, Brogan Mezera, Mason Mezera, Landon Udelhofen, and Harper Walsh.

**8th Grade:** Maycee Brinkman, Jalissa Cathman, Abigail Doyle, Jovie Kruger, Sydney Meyers, Britney Petsche, Collin Raisbeck, and McKenzie Taylor.

*Summer Fun*  
**BEGINS**

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**  
**FRIDAY, MAY 26**

RELEASE TIME WILL BE ANNOUNCED  
AFTER THE BOARD MEETING ON MAY 9

A Polaroid-style photograph showing a family of five (a man, a woman, and three children) sitting on a picnic blanket on a grassy lawn, enjoying a sunny day outdoors. The photo is slightly tilted and has a white border.





PRESENTED BY SOURCES OF STRENGTH  
AND THE DC TRIP

# COLOR WALK

**May 10th**  
**10:15am-Lunch**  
**Rain Date: May 11th**

WEAR YOUR CLASS COLOR TO SCHOOL THAT  
DAY AND HAVE FUN WALKING/RUNNING THE  
TRACK WITH YOUR PEERS!

5TH GRADE

6TH GRADE

7TH GRADE

8TH GRADE

ALL STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE SUNGLASSES THAT  
MATCH THEIR CLASS COLOR

PRIZES AWARDED FOR:

- The class with the most laps combined
- The class with the most money raised
- The best-dressed student (1 per grade)
- The student with the most individual laps (1 per grade)

ALL PLEDGES RAISED WILL BE DONATED  
TO THE OAKLYNN PETERSON CANCER  
BENEFIT FUND  
**#OAKLYNNSTRONG**





## Grant County Health Department

111 South Jefferson Street, Floor 2  
Lancaster, Wisconsin 53813-1672

[www.co.grant.wi.gov](http://www.co.grant.wi.gov)

Phone: (608) 723-6416 • Fax: (608) 723-6501

Dear Parent/Guardian of a Child in 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>:

The Grant County Health Department will be at your child's school giving;

- Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis) vaccine [Required – 1 dose]
- HPV (Human Papillomavirus) vaccine [Recommended – 2 or 3 dose series]
- Meningitis vaccine [Recommended – 2 dose series]

First dose: 11 or 12 years of age

Second (booster) dose: 16 years of age

**River Ridge Schools is scheduled for Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>.**

The vaccines are free for all children 18 and under during this clinic only.

If your child misses the school clinic, call the Health Department regarding availability.

**If you would like your child to receive any of these vaccines at school:**

Fill out the consent form for your child and return it to the school by **Wed., May 3<sup>rd</sup>**.

Parents are able to check online whether your child needs these vaccinations at [www.dhswir.org](http://www.dhswir.org). (You will need child's social security number to check online) If you need assistance, call the Health Department.

If you have any questions, please call the Grant County Health Department at 723-6416 Monday-Friday between 8:00 am - 4:30 pm. Information is also on the county website [www.co.grant.wi.gov](http://www.co.grant.wi.gov).

Scan here for vaccine information sheets. ↓



Casey Gradel, RN, BSN  
Grant County Health Department

**If you do not want your child to receive any of the vaccines,  
DO NOT return this letter to the school.**

# SPORTS PHYSICALS

## For All School Activities

**June 13 - July 22 ■ ONLY \$25.00**

Appointments, please call 723-2131

- >> **Lancaster Clinic** ■ *Mon-Fri*  
507 S. Monroe St., Lancaster
- >> **Cassville Clinic** ■ *Wed. & Fri.*  
222 W. Amelia St., Cassville
- >> **Potosi Clinic** ■ *Tues. & Thurs.*  
114 US-61, Potosi

### **NEW** OPTION THIS YEAR!

At school physicals *(No appointment necessary)*

- >> **Cassville High School**  
**May 19th** 8:00 am-1:00 pm
- >> **River Ridge High School**  
**May 22nd** 8:00 am-1:00 pm
- >> **Potosi High School**  
**May 23rd** 8:00 am-2:00 pm
- >> **Lancaster High School**  
**May 24th** 7:30-11:00 am & 1:00-5:00 pm

**Proceeds are donated back to the school of choice.**



**GRANT REGIONAL**  
COMMUNITY CLINIC

No insurance filed. This exam should not replace your annual physical.  
Cash or Check Only – No credit or debit cards please.



### Breakfast/Lunch Menu - May, 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
Cereal & Toast Hamburger/Cheeseburger on a Bun Waffle Fries Baked Beans Fruit Milk	Rise & Shine Croissant w/Ham Chicken Fajita Savory Rice Buttered Corn Fruit Milk	Pancakes & Sausage Pork Rib Patty Sandwich Macaroni & Cheese Peas Fruit Milk	Pancake on a Stick Chicken Alfredo Steamed Carrots Fruit Garlic Breadstick Milk	Breakfast Pizza Mozzarella Dippers W/Marinara Sauce Green Beans Fruit Cookie Milk
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
Cheese Omelet & Toast Popcorn Chicken French Fries Mixed Vegetables Fruit Milk	Choc. Chip/Blueberry Cake Spaghetti & Meatballs Steamed Broccoli Fruit Garlic Toast Milk	Waffles & Bacon Pancakes Sausage Links Hashbrown Fruit/Juice Milk	Scrambled Eggs & Toast Soft Shell Taco Buttered Corn Fruit Salad/Fruit Milk	Cereal & Poptart Chicken Patty on a Bun Tater Tots Baked Beans Fruit Milk
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
Pancakes & Bacon Chicken Nuggets French Fries Peas Fruit Milk	Sunrise Biscuit w/Sausage Mini Corn Dogs Tater Tots Baked Beans Fruit Milk	Breakfast Pizza Chicken & Gravy Mashed Potatoes Buttered Corn Fruit Dinner Roll Milk	Cereal & Muffin BBQ Beef/BBQ Chicken Sandwich Potato Wedges Green Beans Fruit Milk	Grab & Go Pizza Fresh Veggies & Dip Fruit Milk
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
Cheese Omelet & Toast Chicken Patty Sandwich French Fries Peas Fruit Milk	Cereal & Donut Holes Mozzarella Dippers w/Marinara Fresh Veggies & Dip Fruit Milk	Cinnamon/Blueberry Cake Hamburger/Cheeseburger on a Bun French Fries Fruit Milk	French Toast Sticks & Sausage Deli Ham Sandwich Potato Salad Baked Beans Fruit Milk	Breakfast Pizza Hot Dogs Chips Macaroni Salad Fruit Milk
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>

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.*

<b>MAY 2023</b>						
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>
	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
	<b>National Soils Contest in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma</b>					
	3:30 PM Track @ Fennimore 4:00 PM MS Track @ Boscobel 5:00 PM BB vs Highland 5:00 PM SB vs Belmont	School Custard Day 2:00 PM 6th Grade Poetry Reading 5:00 PM BB @ Shullsburg/Benton 5:00 PM SB vs Boscobel	8:00 AM AP Eng. Lit Ex. 12:30 PM Early Release 1:00 PM Teacher In-Service 1:00 PM Large Group Fest.	4:00 PM Track @ Southwestern 5:00 PM SB @ Pecatonica 5:00 PM BB @ Potosi	8:00 AM US History Ex 9:00 AM Elem. Assem. 4:00 PM Track @ River Valley 5:00 PM BB vs Argyle 5:00 PM SB vs DeSoto	8:00 AM Plant Sales 8:00 AM Dance Team Tryouts
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
	8:00 AM AP Calculus AB Ex. 4:00 PM Track @ Darlington 5:00 PM BB vs Belmont 5:00 PM SB @ Cassville	6:00 AM AP Eng. Lit Ex. 4:15 PM MS Track - Home 5:00 PM SB vs Highland 5:00 PM Staff/Empl. Mtg. 6:00 PM Board Meeting	10:15 AM Color Walk 12:00 PM AP Biology Ex. 12:00 PM 2nd Gr. Library TR. 6:00 PM Music Banquet	8:30 AM 4K Field Trip 3:30 PM Track @ Boscobel 4:30 PM BB @ Fennimore 5:00 PM SB vs Monticello/New Glarus	No 4K Day 8:00 AM Farm Safety 8:05 AM 8th Gr. Field Trip 8:30 PM Champ. Games 4:30 PM BB @ Pecatonica 5:00 PM SB @ Darlington	8:00 AM Plant Sales
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
	8:00 AM Senior Exam 4:15 PM Track @ UW-Platteville	8:00 AM Senior Exam 8:00 AM 6th Gr. Field Trip 10:25 AM HS Awards 5:00 PM BB vs Shullsburg/Benton 5:00 PM SB @ Benton	7:00 AM Play 60 Leadership 7:30 AM Senior Check out 8:00 AM Senior Grades Due 7:00 PM Senior Awards	8:00 AM 2nd Gr. Field Trip 8:30 AM 1st Gr. Field Trip 8:45 AM 8th Gr. SWTC 1:30 PM 4th Gr. Red Carpet Event 4:15 PM MS Track - Home 5:00 PM BB @ Seneca	8:00 AM 3rd Gr. Field Trip 8:00 AM 4th Gr. Field Trip 1:00 PM 5th Grade States Fair 7:00 PM HS Graduation	
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
	8:15 AM 7th Gr. Field Trip 4:00 PM Track @ Lancaster 4:30 PM BB @ Boscobel	8:00 AM 5K Field Trip 12:45 PM 3rd Grade Memorial Program SB Regional	8:00 AM 5th Gr. Field Trip 10:00 AM 4th Grade Local History Tour 7:00 PM 8th Grade Graduation	Elem. End of the Year Activity 2:00 PM MS Awards BB Regional SB Regional Track Sectional	Last day of School MS Picnic in Park	
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			
		BB Regional SB Section	BB Regional			



# 2023-2024 School Year

Board approved 2/8/2023

River Ridge School District

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August 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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27	28	29	30	31		
29, 30, 31 Teacher In-Service 30 Open House						

September 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
1 First Day of School 4 No School Day (Labor Day) 27 Early Release - 12:30 PM						

October 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				
18 Early Release- 12:30 PM						

November 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		
2 End of Quarter 1 3 No School - In-Service 7 & 9 Parent/Teacher Conf. 10 No School 22-24 No School						

December 2023						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
25-29 No School						

January 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	1	2	3	4	5	6
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21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			
1 & 2 No School 3 School Resumes 18 End of Quarter 2 19 No School						

February 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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25	26	27	28	29		
7 Early Release - 12:30 PM 12 No School						

March 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30
21 End of Quarter 3 22 No School 29 No School						

April 2024						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				
1 No School						

May 2024						
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**Key**

- First and Last day of School
- No School for Students
- Early Release - 12:30 PM
- End of the Quarters
- Parent/Teacher Conferences

**Start and End of Quarters**  
 Sept. 1- Nov. 2  
 Nov. 6 - Jan. 18  
 Jan. 22 - Mar. 21  
 Mar. 25 - May 24

**First Quarter**  
**Second Quarter**  
**Third Quarter**  
**Fourth Quarter**

**Holiday Breaks**  
 Nov. 22-24  
 Dec. 25-Jan. 2  
 Mar. 29 - Apr. 1

**Thanksgiving Break**  
**Winter Break**  
**Spring Break**

**Special Days**  
 Aug. 30  
 Sept. 1  
 Sept. 27  
 Oct. 18  
 Nov. 7 & 9  
 Feb. 7  
 May 1  
 May 24

**Open House**  
**First Day of School**  
**Early Release**  
**Early Release**  
**Parent/Teacher Conf.**  
**Early Release**  
**Early Release**  
**Last Day of School**  
**Early Release**

APPROVED MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE RIVER RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE RIVER RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT, GRANT COUNTY, WISCONSIN: MARCH 8, 2023, AT 6:00 PM.

I. Call to Order- Board president Ken Nies called meeting to order at 6:00 PM

II. Roll Call- Present; Ken Nies, Jason Cathman, Megan Kussmaul, Adam Guthrie, Aaron Stagman, Kirk Hamann. Absent, Josh Copsy.

III. Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

V. Appearances – Brian Nichols talked about the boys basketball program being without a coach and asking how he can help with keeping the summer open gyms running until a new coach is hired.

VI. Approval of Minutes

A. February 8, 2023, Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Jason Cathman and seconded by Kirk Hamann. Motion passed on a voice vote

VII. Reports

A. Finance – Tracy Stagman

- i. Financial statements, receipts, and expenditures
- ii. Adam Guthrie made a motion to approve the finances, Megan Kussmaul seconded the motion. Motion passed on a 6-0 roll call vote.
- iii. Audit Services Update – FY 2023-2024, Tracy talked about different options on new audit services available to us.

B. Building and Grounds Committee Report – Kenny Nies, Chair

- i. Maintenance Director’s Report, none

C. Staff/Employee Relations Committee

- i. 2023-2024 Compensation for Teachers, Specialty License Staff, and Support Staff, the committee looked at different numbers that were available and decided to wait until the biennial budget is released by the state to

make any further decisions on this matter.

- ii. Employee Handbook recap, Looking to change the handbook from Sick days, Personal Days, and Emergency Days to just Paid Time Off (PTO). Clay is going to talk to different staff members on this to get ideas and see how it can work for us.

D. Superintendent Report

- i. Grant with Upper 90, we have decided to not move forward with this grant.

VIII. New Business

A. Hiring/Resignations

- i. Kirk Hamann made a motion to approve the hire of Brian Trautsch as Daytime Custodian, seconded by Aaron Stagman. Motion passed on a voice vote.
- ii. Adam Guthrie made a motion to approve the approve the hire of Travis Copsy as High School Baseball Coach, seconded by Kirk Hamann. Motion passed on a voice vote.
- iii. Jason Cathman made a motion with regret to approve the retirement of Ellen Martin as 3rd – 12th grade music teacher, seconded by Megan Kussmaul. Motion passed on a voice vote.
- iv. Kirk Hamann made the motion to accept the resignation of Tom Neises as High School Boys Basketball Coach, seconded by Adam Guthrie. Motion passed on a voice vote.

B. Resolution Authorizing Temporary Borrowing in an Amount Not to Exceed \$750,000 pursuant to section 67.12(8)(a)(1), Wis. Stats. Jason Cathman made a motion to approve the borrowing. Motion was seconded by Aaron Stagman. Motion passed on a 6-0 roll call vote.

C. Volunteer List – Spring, Jason Cathman made a motion to approve the spring volunteer list as provided, seconded by Kirk Hamann. Motion passed

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. Personnel Updates,

- i. Megan Kussmaul made a motion to enter closed session, seconded by Adam Guthrie. Motion passed on a 6-0 roll call vote. Entered closed session at 6:36 PM
- ii. Kirk Hamann made a motion to leave closed session, seconded by Jason Cathman. Motion passed on a voice vote. Back in open session at 7:15 PM

B. No Action was needed on closed session items.

X. Appearances - There were no public appearances.

XI. Information

A. Upcoming Meeting Schedule

- i. Staff/Employee Relations Committee Meeting – April 12, 2023 at 5:00 PM
- ii. Regular Board Meeting – April 12, 2023, at 6:00 PM

XII. Adjourn – Jason Cathman made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Megan Kussmaul. Motion passed on a voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM



# CONGRATULATIONS



# CLASS OF 2023

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Wade Winkers - MS/HS Dean of Students .....994-2715 Ext. 114  
Tracy Stagman - Business Official.....994-2715 Ext. 104  
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Wade Winkers - Athletic Director .....994-2715 Ext. 114  
Technology Coordinator .....994-2715 Ext. 130

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Adam Guthrie - Clerk ..... 778-7080  
Kirk Hamann - Treasurer ..... 778-0700  
Josh Copsy - Member..... 732-5773  
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**Office Hours**

Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.