



TIMBERWOLF NEWS

August 2020

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IMPORTANT DATES

August 24
RRAP Meeting

August 24-27
Teacher In-Service

September 1
First Day of School

September 7
No School

September 9-10
Picture Day

September 9
Board Meeting

Student Registration

New family to the district?

Please call the school prior to starting the registration process. 608-994-2715

2020-2021 Online Registration Window
Thursday, August 13 - Tuesday, August 18

Full Online Process! River Ridge is using a convenient and completely online registration system. There is no need to come into the building to register. All student information is collected electronically through jmc, the District's student information system. To access the online registration visit the River Ridge School District website at www.rrsd.k12.wi.us. Log on to your jmc Parent Access account, the system will take you through the necessary steps of completing the registration process. The fees and breakfast/lunch payment can be made through online payment in the jmc Parent Access.

With the ever changing circumstances due to COVID-19, updating your family's information via online registration is more important than ever. If you wish to receive school alerts, your phone number and email must be up-to-date in jmc. Please know that using a mobile device (cell phone, tablet) does not work well with the registration system. A computer is the best route to complete online registration. Due to COVID-19, in-person help with online registration is no longer an option.

As you update your contact information in jmc, be sure to list current information for a backup person in the event that you are unable to pick up your child. We strongly encourage everyone to list an email address that is frequently accessed to receive all school updates.

Free and Reduced Meal Applications, Lunch Payments and Tuition/Fee Payments may be completed:

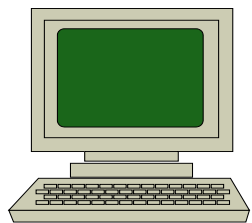
1. Online via your jmc account
2. Via mail by downloading a paper copy from the link on the website.

Mail to: River Ridge School District
Attention: Registration
11165 County Highway P
Patch Grove, WI 53817

Please complete online registration no later than Tuesday, August 18. Your cooperation allows us to plan for the 20-21 school year in a timely manner.

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

2020-2021 School Fees

Prices are as follows:

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|----------------------|---------------------|-------|
| STUDENT FEES: | High School (9-12) | 40.00 |
| | Middle School (5-8) | 35.00 |
| | Elem. (5k – 4) | 30.00 |
| | 4K | 25.00 |

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| COCURRICULAR: | High School (9-12) | 40.00 |
| | Middle School (7-8) | 10.00 |

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| COMPUTER USER FEE: | High School(9-12) | 35.00 |
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| BAND RENTAL: | | 30.00 |
|---------------------|--|-------|

BREAKFAST PRICES: (Per day)

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|----------------------|------|
| All Students (4k-12) | 1.80 |
| Adult | 3.00 |
| Reduced | .30 |
| Extra Milk | .30 |

LUNCH PRICES: (Per day)

| | |
|--------------|------|
| EL (4k-5) | 2.35 |
| MS/HS (6-12) | 3.45 |
| Adult | 4.50 |
| Reduced | .40 |
| Extra Milk | .30 |

Milk break only: \$6.00 per card = 20 milks



Tuesday, September 9
Wednesday, September 10

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 <http://wdcrobcolp01.ed.gov/CFAPPS/OCR/contactus.cfm> for the address and phone number of the office that serves your area, or call 1-800-421-3481.

Special Education Programs

Special Education (Child Find) Activities

The River Ridge School District must locate, identify, and evaluate all resident children with disabilities, including children with disabilities attending private schools, regardless of the severity of their disabilities. The school district has a special education screening program to locate and screen all children with suspected disabilities who are residents of the district and who have not graduated from high school. Upon request the school district will screen any resident child who has not graduated from high school to determine whether a special education referral is appropriate. A request may be made by contacting: Special Education Coordinator, River Ridge Schools, PO Box 78, Patch Grove, WI 53817

Senior Yearbook Photos

Class of 2021 senior pictures will be due to Yearbook by Thanksgiving break. Consider getting your pictures scheduled this summer

Get Ready for School

The State of Wisconsin requires the following immunizations for school entrance:

Children going into Pre-K (ages 2 through 4 years) should have:

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| DTaP | 4 doses |
| Polio | 3 doses |
| Hepatitis B | 3 doses |
| MMR | 1 dose |
| Chickenpox/varicella | 1 dose or history of disease |

Children going into 5K (kindergarten) through 5th grade should have

| | |
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| DTaP | 5 doses |
| If the 4th dose was before their 4th B-Day) | |
| Polio | 4 doses |
| Hepatitis B | 3 doses |
| MMR | 2 dose |
| Chickenpox/varicella | 2 dose or history of disease |

Children going into 6th through 12 grade should have

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| DTaP | 5 doses |
| If the 4th dose was before their 4th B-Day) | |
| Polio | 4 doses |
| Hepatitis B | 3 doses |
| MMR | 2 dose |
| Chickenpox/varicella | 2 dose or history of disease |
| Tdap | 1 dose (in the past 5 years) |

After your child receive their immunizations, please send the immunization dates to your school. The Grant county health department provides immunizations free for children with BadgerCare or no insurance to cover vaccines.

The Tdap vaccine is currently free for person due to reported cases of those diseases in Wisconsin. Call the Health Department with any questions at 723-6416

Check your child's immunization record at <https://www.dhswir.org>

Summer School Fun Camp

by Mickey Quick

Wow! What a different world we are living in now. We are happy to say that we were able to hold summer school for those students who wanted to participate in grades 4k-6 this summer along with opening the weight room for our athletes and offering English credits for a few high school students. We have made a lot of changes in the school to help keep everyone as safe as possible and put precautions in place as recommended by Grant County Health Department, CDC and DPI. The summer school staff and students were happy to be in school and getting back to something "normal." The students worked on some reading and math skills for the four week period as well as some enrichment



activities. The summer school staff did a great job of bringing enrichment into the classroom as we did not allow students to move classrooms as has been done in the past. Vesperman Farms Ice Cream truck came to visit one morning allowing students and staff a special treat, which they all seemed to enjoy immensely. We appreciate everyone's support in this endeavor and making the Summer School Fun camp a safe and engaging experience for the students.



Middle School Volleyball

Middle School Volleyball will start on September 8 after school.

Practices will be held from 3:40-5:10 PM on Monday through Thursday with games in between.

Athletes **MUST** have the following turned in by the first day of practice: physical or alternate year card, signed Co-Curricular form and concussion form. Athletes also need to pay the middle school athletic fee.

Please email Tricia Kuenster if your child is interested in playing this year! Email: kuenstetr@rrsd.k12.wi.us

I look forward to another fun and SAFE season! Go Wolves!

High School Graduates Come Together



The River Ridge Class of 2020 celebrated their academic accomplishments with an in-person graduation ceremony on Friday, July 3. An invited group of friends and family were spaced out in the grand stands at the Blake's Prairie Fairgrounds in Bloomington. Clay Koenig, the River Ridge Superintendent, began the commencement ceremony, followed by speeches from the Valedictorian Tova Lindberg and Co-Salutatorians Faith Schier and Skylar White. The presentation of the graduating class was given by Wade Winkers, High School Dean of Students. Senior year ended in March due to school closures, and the graduation ceremony gave the students a chance to celebrate together. Thank you to the administration and Board of Education for approving an in-person graduation, and the support of the class advisor, and River Ridge staff for making great memories for our students.

River Ridge Honor Retirees



River Ridge said goodbye to two retiring staff members at the end of the 2019-2020 school year. From left to right: Linda Mulrooney (Food service worker) - 31 years and Peggy Guthrie (Educational assistant) - 14 years. Thank you for your many years of support and encouragement to our district students. We wish you the best in your next chapter.

Caron Townsend Retires as Girls Basketball Coach



After 31 years on the sidelines at River Ridge and Bloomington, Caron Townsend has retired as head girls basketball coach. The program she has built is remarkable and her impact is found in countless former student athletes.

Over the past 31 seasons, Coach Townsend has achieved an overall record of 537-195. This includes 13 conference, 12 regional, and two sectional titles. In 2011, she led River Ridge to a state runner up finish. She has been selected as Conference Coach of the Year 12 times, 2011 Wisconsin Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) Coach of the Year, and in 2018 she was inducted into the WBCA Hall of Fame.

Thank you, Caron, for your technique and dedication to the girls' program. She will continue in her position as school counselor at River Ridge High School and will still have a positive impact on all the students that walk the halls at River Ridge.

KEEP COLLECTING

River Ridge is collecting:

Box Tops

Pop Tabs -from the tops of cans-
this helps families stay at the Ronald McDonald House

Land O'Lakes Caps

Malt O'Meal Cereal Bags
(need the whole bag)

Country Hearth

(UPC label--Loaves4learning)

Golden Guernsey Dairy

Cash for Kids--milk caps

Prairie Farms--milk caps

Coke Rewards

Academic All State Honors for 2020



Four senior members from the River Ridge Track and Field team have achieved Academic All State Honors for 2020. To be eligible for this award, seniors must have earned a letter in track and field before the season and have a cumulative GPA above 3.75 for their high school career. Pictured from left to right: Riley Klein, Skylar White, Blake Laufenberg, and Faith Schier

FBLA National Leadership Conference



FBLA held their National Leadership Conference online June 29-July 2. Two members were able to participate in the experience. Sidney Drone tested in Organizational Leadership and Kennedy Copsey competed in Introduction to Business Communications. Both members had the opportunity to attend virtual workshops and listen to keynote speakers.

The 2020 scholarship winners were selected and delivered virtually, the students recognized were Cole Crubel and Bayli Mason. Congratulations to you both. We would like to wish all of our FBLA graduates good luck and thank them for their contributions to our club.





JENTZ ELECTED TO SERVE WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF FFA



Kendra Jentz of the River Ridge Chapter was elected to a year of service as the 2020-2021 Section Four State FFA Officer during the 91st Wisconsin FFA Online Convention. Her parents are Thomas and Julie Jentz. Her advisor is Madeline Esser.

Kendra grew up raising sheep and was thrilled to start showing sheep at the age of 8 at the county fair. She is now the primary caregiver of her family's flock. Kendra's supervised agricultural experience centered around teaching others about agriculture. She assisted in teaching the freshman agriculture class. In addition, Kendra held several positions within her FFA Chapter's officer team.

Kendra focused her energy while being an officer on enhancing her chapters Community Connections to allow them to compete for National Chapter honors. She assisted in creating a buddy reading program. FFA members read agricultural books to elementary age students in school. In addition, she coordinated a bingo night at a local senior center where FFA members connected with residents during the evenings bingo game.

Kendra became more involved in meat judging when her livestock coach was looking for another person to fill a vacancy on their meat judging team. She learned quickly and soon became a coach to the meats judging team. In 2019, she placed first in reasons and ID at the Wisconsin 4-H Meats competition. Furthermore, she was involved with Leadership Development Events placing 1st at Districts in Employment Skills.

Kendra is eager to start her year as a state officer. She wants "to show our members that I care about them and that I'm here for them. I want to watch and help members succeed in their goals ... I want to bring new ideas about how to help connect our members." In the end, Kendra wants to "make an impact in the lives of FFA members."

When Kendra finishes this year of service as a State Officer she will attend the University of Wisconsin River Falls majoring in Agriculture Education with a minor in Animal Science. Her goal is to teach in Southwest, WI.

The Wisconsin Association of FFA in the 2019-2020 academic calendar year involved 21,264 students across 253 Chapters. Wisconsin FFA focuses on premier leadership, personal growth, and career success. Student activities complement agricultural classroom instruction by giving youth an opportunity to apply skills and knowledge while gaining real-world experience. Wisconsin FFA celebrates the accomplishments of students, advisors, and supporters. FFA activities are dependent on donor funding through the Wisconsin FFA Foundation. For more information about Wisconsin FFA and the Wisconsin FFA Foundation, visit <http://www.wisconsinffa.org> or www.wisconsinffaoundation.org. Become a fan of Wisconsin FFA or Wisconsin FFA Foundation on Facebook, or call 715-659-4807.

Directory Data

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a Federal law, requires that River Ridge School District, with certain exceptions, obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child's education records. However, River Ridge School District may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised the River Ridge School District to the contrary in accordance with River Ridge School District procedures. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the River Ridge School District to include information from your child's education records in certain school publications. Examples include:

- A playbill, showing your student's role in a drama production;
- The annual yearbook;
- Honor roll or other recognition lists;
- Graduation programs; and
- Sports activity sheets, such as for wrestling, showing weight and height of team members.

Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent's prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks. In addition, two federal laws require local educational agencies (LEAs) receiving assistance under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended (ESEA) to provide military recruiters, upon request, with the following information: names, addresses and telephone listings unless parents have advised the LEA that they do not want their student's information disclosed without their prior written consent.

If you do not want River Ridge School District to disclose any or all of the types of information designated below as directory information from your child's education records without your prior written consent, you must notify the River Ridge School District in writing within 14 days of the start of the school (or within two weeks of receipt of this notice if enrolling after the school year has begun). Forms are available in each district office.

- Student's name
- Address
- Telephone listing
- Photograph
- Date and place of birth
- Major field of study
- Dates of attendance
- Participation in officially recognized activities and sports
- Weight and height of members of athletic teams
- Degrees, honors, and awards received
- The most recent educational agency or institution attended

2020-21 Asbestos Notification

In compliance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), this is notice that the River Ridge School District has an Asbestos Management Plan at the school district office. The plan is available for inspection by the public, parents, and district employees. The district performs six month periodic surveillance of asbestos in January and July and full re-inspections every three years. For more information please contact the district office.

2009 WI Act 96 Indoor Environmental

The River Ridge School District would like to inform staff, students, parents, and the public of the district's indoor environmental quality (IEQ) management plan. The plan was initially developed in 2013 and is reviewed as necessary. The plan was developed as deemed appropriate for the district. Questions and concerns should be directed to the IEQ Coordinator. Copies of the plan are available at the district office for a fee. The district office is located at 11165 County Highway P, Patch Grove, WI, 53817.

Notice of Rights: Family Education Rights & Privacy Act

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she reaches the age of 18. Students to whom the rights have been transferred are "eligible students." These rights are:

(1) The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the District receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students should submit to Dr. Jeff Athey or Mr. Clay Koenig a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. Mr. Clay Koenig will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

(2) The right to request the amendment of the student's education record that the parent or eligible student believes is inaccurate or misleading. Parents or eligible students may ask the River Ridge School District to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write Dr. Jeff Athey or Mr. Clay Koenig, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the District decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the District will notify the parent of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

(3) The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. Generally, schools must have written permission from the parent or eligible student in order to release any information from a student's education record. However, FERPA allows schools to disclose those records to the following parties or under the following conditions:

- School officials with a legitimate educational interest
- Other schools to which a student is transferring, upon request by the other school
- Specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes
- Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student
- Organizations conducting certain studies for or on behalf of the school
- Accrediting organizations
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena
- Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies
- State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to Wisconsin law

School officials with legitimate educational interests are persons employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant or ther-

apist); a parent or student serving on an official committee such as a disciplinary or grievance committee or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

(4) The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the District to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is: Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202-4605.

Mandatory Reporting

For certain persons who see children whom they suspect have been abused, neglected, or assaulted, Wisconsin law requires that they must report their suspicions or face a penalty themselves. Persons who are required to report include: school social workers, speech therapists, nurses, psychologists, guidance counselors, teachers and administrators. It is not the duty of the River Ridge staff to investigate such incidences or make a determination as to whether the abuse, neglect or assault actually occurred. A reasonable cause to suspect is all that is required.

**STUDENT NONDISCRIMINATION STATEMENT
411 EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY
RIVER RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The River Ridge School District is committed and dedicated to the task of providing the best education possible for every student in the district for as long as the student can benefit from attendance and the student's conduct is compatible with the welfare of the entire student body.

The right of the student to be admitted to school and to participate fully in curricular, extracurricular, student services, recreational or other programs or activities shall not be abridged or impaired. The River Ridge School District Board of Education complies with all Federal laws and regulations prohibiting discrimination and with all requirements of the U.S. Department of Education. It is the policy of the River Ridge School District Board of Education that no person on the basis of race, color, creed, religion or religious affiliation, national origin or ancestry, age, sex or sexual orientation, marital or parental status, pregnancy, physical, mental, emotional, or learning disability, or any other reason prohibited by state or federal law shall be discriminated against, excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise be subjected to discrimination in employment or in any educational program or activity for which it is responsible or for which it receives financial assistance from the U.S. Department of Education. Complaints are to be addressed to the District Administrator, River Ridge School District, 11165 County Highway P, Patch Grove, WI 53817.

Complaints regarding the interpretation or application of this policy shall be referred to the district administrator and processed in accordance with established procedures.

Notice: Divorced or Separated Parents

Help us honor with your parental rights. Contact the River Ridge School District office for a form which outlines your custody, parental rights and contact information.

Program and Curriculum Modifications

Wisconsin Statute Section 118.15 requires that all students under the age of 18 attend school regularly. Wisconsin Statute Section 118.15(1)(d) also permits any student's parent or guardian, or a student if the parent or guardian is notified, to request, in writing, that the School Board provide the student with program or curricular modifications, including but not limited to:

1. Modifications within the student's current academic program.
2. A school work training or work-study program.
3. Enrollment in an alternative public school or program located within the student's school district of residency.
4. Enrollment in a nonsectarian private school located within the student's school district of residency which meets certain federal law requirements. Any such enrollment must be by contractual agreement which provides for tuition payment by the student's school district of residency.
5. Homebound study, including nonsectarian correspondence courses or other courses of study approved by the School Board or nonsectarian tutoring provided by the school in which the student is enrolled.
6. Enrollment in any public educational program located outside the student's school district of residency. Enrollment under this subsection may be pursuant to a contractual agreement between the school districts.

When a written request for a program or curriculum modification is made, the School Board will consider the request and render a written decision on the request within 90 days of the request except that if the request relates to a student who has been evaluated by an IEP team and has not been recommended for special education, the School Board will consider the request and render a written decision on the request within 30 days of the request. If the request is denied, the Board will give the reason or reasons for denial.

The student's parent or guardian may request the School Board to review or reconsider the decision it makes in response to a request for a program or curricular modification. The School Board will render its determination upon review in writing, if the student's parent or guardian so requests.

Use of Video Cameras on School Buses

The River Ridge School District approves the use of video cameras on school buses for the primary purpose of reducing disciplinary problems and vandalism on the bus, thereby allowing the driver to focus on the driving of the bus and providing for safer transportation of students.

Parents shall be notified once a year via student handbooks and the annual "Back to School" newspaper publication that video cameras are being used on the buses, and a sign shall be placed at the front of each bus indicating that video cameras are present.

The bus company shall determine the rotation of the video camera and will maintain a log with dates, bus numbers and bus drivers. Bus drivers do not need to be informed on which bus the video camera is operating. Individual drivers, administrators and parents/guardians may request that the video camera be on a specific bus on designated dates (to be decided by River Ridge Administration).

Only the bus company manager, bus drivers, administrators of the district and school board members shall be authorized to view the videotape for the purpose of documenting a problem and determining which students may be involved. Disciplinary action may be taken with students based on a video documentation. The isolated segment of the videotape that documents the incident may be viewed by the identified student and his/her parent/guardian. The bus company designee or school administrators shall view the

videotape with the student and parent/guardian and document the date and names of all individuals viewing the videotape.

The videotape shall not be available for viewing by the public in general, the media or other individuals. The school administration may authorize other individuals such as a guidance counselor, school psychologist or social worker to view segments of a specific videotape if such individuals are working with the student on the videotape because of a behavioral, emotional or learning problem and viewing the videotape is beneficial to their role in assisting the student. A log shall be kept of the date and names of the individuals viewing the videotape.

If there are no reported bus problems pertaining to the date a videotape was recorded, the bus company may erase or reuse the videotape after ten school days. If there was a bus problem recorded on videotape, that tape will be kept until approved by River Ridge Administration to reuse.

Locker Search

School lockers are the property of the River Ridge School District. At no time does the River Ridge School District relinquish its exclusive control of lockers provided for the convenience of students. Periodic general inspections of lockers may be conducted by school authorities for any reason, at any time, without notice, without student consent and without a search warrant as stated in section 118.325 of the state statutes.

Student Dress Code

Students are encouraged to dress appropriately for school. The limits that are imposed have to do with cleanliness and with clothing considered distracting, wholly inappropriate, or unsafe for the classroom. Within limits, dress and appearance are a matter of individual taste and responsibility. Generally, dress appropriate when leaving home is appropriate at school. No student is allowed to change clothing at school except for a school-sponsored activity.

Penalties for violation of the dress code may include individual counseling, sending the student home to change before returning to school, and parent conference, as necessary.

Medication Forms

All students need to have a medication form filled out if any over the counter or prescription medication is to be taken at school. All medications need to be in their original container. Forms are available from the district office.

Emergency contacts can be updated during online registration. Be sure to list someone willing to pickup our child if you cannot be reached.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT FREE AND REDUCED PRICE SCHOOL MEALS FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2020-21

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. River Ridge School and St. Mary's School offers healthy meals every school day. River Ridge breakfast costs \$1.80; lunch costs Elem. \$2.35 and MS-HS \$3.45. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is \$.30 for breakfast and \$.40 for lunch. This packet includes an application for free or reduced price meal benefits, and a set of detailed instructions. Below are some common questions and answers to help you with the application process.

1. WHO CAN GET FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?

- All children in households receiving benefits from FoodShare, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPRI), or W-2 cash benefits are eligible for free meals, when listed on the application.
- Foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals.
- Children participating in their school's Head Start program are eligible for free meals.
- Children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant are eligible for free meals.
- Children may qualify to receive free or reduced price meals if your household's income is at or below the limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines.

| FEDERAL ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART For School Year 2020-2021 | | | |
|--|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| Household size | Yearly (\$) | Monthly (\$) | Weekly (\$) |
| 1 | 23,606 | 1,968 | 454 |
| 2 | 31,894 | 2,658 | 614 |
| 3 | 40,182 | 3,349 | 773 |
| 4 | 48,470 | 4,040 | 933 |
| 5 | 56,758 | 4,730 | 1,092 |
| 6 | 65,046 | 5,421 | 1,251 |
| 7 | 73,334 | 6,112 | 1,411 |
| 8 | 81,622 | 6,802 | 1,570 |
| Each additional person: | 8,288 | 691 | 160 |

2. **HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILDREN QUALIFY AS HOMELESS, MIGRANT, OR RUNAWAY?** Do the members of your household lack a permanent address? Are you staying together in a shelter, hotel, or other temporary housing arrangement? Does your family relocate on a seasonal basis? Are any children living with you who have chosen to leave their prior family or household? If you believe children in your household meet these descriptions and have not been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail **Deb Trautsch; 608-994-2715 or trautschde@rrsd.k12.wi.us**.
3. **DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD?** No. *Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household.* We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: **River Ridge School Office or St. Mary's School Office.**
4. **SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE ALREADY APPROVED FOR FREE OR REDUCED PRICE MEALS?** Please read the letter you received carefully and follow the instructions. If your letter indicated you qualify for free meals, then no application is needed. If any children in your household were missing from your eligibility notification, contact **River Ridge School or St. Mary's School** immediately. If your household was notified it qualified for reduced price meals, we encourage you to complete an application to potentially qualify for free meals based on household size and income.
5. **DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF MY CHILD ATTENDS A COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROVISION SCHOOL (CEP)?** If your child attends a school that participates in CEP, receipt of free breakfast and lunch meals does not depend on returning this application. However, this information is necessary for other programs and may be used to determine if your household is eligible for additional benefits.

6. **CAN I APPLY ONLINE?** Yes! You are encouraged to complete an online application instead of a paper application if you are able. The online application has the same requirements and will ask you for the same information as the paper application. Visit www.risd.k12.wi.us to begin or to learn more about the online application process. Contact River Ridge School 608-994-2715 if you have any questions about the application process.
7. **MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT A NEW ONE?** Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year, through October 13, 2020, or when a new eligibility is determined. You must submit a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year. If you do not submit a new application that is approved by the school or you have not been notified that your child is eligible for free meals, your child will be charged the full price for meals.
8. **I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS?** Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals, but it is based on income. Please submit an application.
9. **MY CHILD(REN) QUALIFIES FOR BADGERCARE PLUS OR MEDICAID. CAN MY CHILD GET FREE MEALS?** Children with BadgerCare Plus, Medicaid, or subsidized insurance may be eligible for free or reduced price meals, but it is based on household income and income size. Please submit an application to determine if your household qualifies.
10. **WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED?** Yes. We may also ask you to send written proof of the household income you report.
11. **IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER?** Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed or experience a financial hardship may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
12. **WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION?** You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: RIVER RIDGE | Clay Koenig; P.O. Box 78, Patch Grove, WI 53617, 608-994-2715 or koenigc@risd.k12.wi.us or (St. Mary's) Father John Meinholz 533 Congress St., Bloomington, WI 53804, 608-994-2526.
13. **MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN?** Yes. You, your children, or other household members do not have to be U.S. citizens to apply for free or reduced price meals.
14. **WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME?** List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.
15. **WHAT IF SOME HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS HAVE NO INCOME TO REPORT?** Household members may not receive some types of income we ask you to report on the application, or may not receive income at all. Whenever this happens, please write a 0 in the field. However, if any income fields are left empty or blank, those will also be counted as zeroes. Please be careful when leaving income fields blank, as we will assume you mean to do so.
16. **WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE REPORT OUR INCOME DIFFERENTLY?** Your basic pay and cash bonuses must be reported as income. If you get any cash value allowances for off-base housing, food, or clothing, it must also be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income. Do not include any combat pay resulting from deployment as income.
17. **WHAT IF THERE IS NOT ENOUGH SPACE ON THE APPLICATION FOR MY FAMILY?** List any additional household members on a separate piece of paper and attach it to your application.
18. **MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR?** To find out how to apply for FoodShare or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call 1-800-362-3002.

If you have other questions or need help, call 608-994-2715.

Sincerely,

Clay Koenig, District Administrator

HOW TO APPLY FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE SCHOOL MEALS for 2020-21 School Year

Please use these instructions to help you fill out the application for free or reduced price school meals. You only need to submit one application per household, even if your children attend more than one school in the River Ridge School District. The application must be filled out completely to certify your children for free or reduced price school meals. Please follow these instructions in order. If at any time you are not sure what to do next, please contact the River Ridge School at 608-994-2715. *If your child attends a Community Eligibility Provision School (CEP), receipt of free breakfast and lunch meals does not depend on returning this application; however, this information is necessary for other programs.*

PLEASE USE A PEN (NOT A PENCIL) WHEN FILLING OUT THE APPLICATION AND DO YOUR BEST TO PRINT CLEARLY.

STEP 1: LIST ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS WHO ARE INFANTS, CHILDREN, AND STUDENTS UP TO AND INCLUDING GRADE 12

Tell us how many infants, children, and school students live in your household. They do NOT have to be related to you to be a part of your household.

Who should I list here? When filling out this section, please include ALL members in your household who are:

- Children grades 12 or under AND are supported with the household's income; and
- In your care under a foster arrangement, or qualify as homeless, migrant, or runaway youth, or enrolled in a Head Start program.

| A) List each child's name. Print each child's name. Use one line of the application for each child. When printing names, write one letter in each box. Stop if you run out of space. If there are more children in household than lines on the application, attach a second piece of paper with all required information for the additional children. | B) Enter the grade and the name of the school the child attends or mark n/a if not in school. | C) Do you have any foster children? If any children listed are foster children, mark the "Foster Child" box next to the children's names. If you are ONLY applying for foster children, after finishing STEP 1, go to STEP 4. Foster children who live with you may count as members of your household and should be listed on your application. If you are applying for both foster and non-foster children, go to step 3. | D) Are any children homeless, migrant, runaway or enrolled in a Head Start program? If you believe any child listed in this section meets this description, mark the "Homeless, Migrant, Runaway or Head Start" box next to the child's name and complete all steps of the application. |
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STEP 2: DO ANY HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS CURRENTLY PARTICIPATE IN FoodShare, W-2 Cash Benefits OR FDIPIR?

If anyone in your household (including you) currently participates in one or more of the assistance programs listed below, your children are eligible for free school meals:

- The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or FoodShare.
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or W-2 Cash Benefits.
- The Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR).

| A) If no one in your household participates in any of the above listed programs: | B) If anyone in your household participates in any of the above assistance programs: |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leave STEP 2 blank or check "No" and go to STEP 3. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write a case number and name of the assistance program you or any member of the household participates in for FoodShare, W-2 Cash Benefits, or FDIPIR. You only need to provide one case number. If you participate in one of these programs and do not know your case number, contact your case worker. Medicaid and BadgerCare case numbers do NOT qualify for free or reduced price meals. • Go to STEP 4. |

STEP 3: REPORT INCOME FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

How do I report my income?

- Use the charts titled "Sources of Income for Children" and "Sources of Income for Adults," printed on the back side of the application form, to determine if your household has income to report.
- Report all amounts in GROSS INCOME ONLY. Report all income in whole dollars. Do not include cents. Gross income is the total income received before taxes. Many people think of income as the amount they "take home" (listed as "net pay" on paycheck stub) and not the total, "gross" amount. Make sure that the income you report on this application has NOT been reduced to pay for taxes, insurance premiums, or any other amounts taken from your pay.

STEP 3: REPORT INCOME FOR ALL HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS

- Write a "0" in any fields where there is no income to report. Any income fields left empty or blank will also be counted as a zero. If you write "0" or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report. If local officials suspect that your household income was reported incorrectly, your application will be investigated.
- Mark how often each type of income is received using the boxes to the right of each field.

3.A. REPORT INCOME EARNED BY CHILDREN

A) Report all income earned or received by children. Report the combined gross income for ALL children listed in STEP 1 in your household in the box marked "Child Income." Only count foster children's personal income if you are applying for them together with the rest of your household.

What is Child Income? Child income is money received from outside your household that is paid DIRECTLY to your children. Many households do not have any child income.

3.B. REPORT INCOME EARNED BY ADULTS

List adult household members' names.

- Print the name of each household member in the boxes marked "Name of Adult Household Members (First and Last)." When filling out this section, please include ALL adult members in your household who are living with you and share income and expenses, even if they are not related and even if they do not receive income of their own.

• Do NOT include:

- People who live with you but are not supported by your household's income AND do not contribute income to your household.
- Infants, children and students already listed in STEP 1.

C) Report earnings from work. Report all total GROSS income (before taxes) from work in the "Earnings from Work" field on the application. This is usually the money received from working at jobs. If you are a self-employed business or farm owner, you will report your net income.

What if I am self-employed? Report income from that work as a net amount. This is calculated by subtracting the total operating expenses of your business from its gross receipts or revenue.

F) Fluctuating income. For seasonal workers and others whose income fluctuates and usually earn more money in some months than others. In these situations, project the annual rate of income and report that. This includes workers with annual employment contracts but may choose to have salaries paid over a shorter period of time; for example, school employees.

D) Report income from public assistance/child support/alimony/SSI/VA benefits. Report all income that applies in the "Public Assistance/Child Support/Alimony" field on the application.

Do not report the cash value of any public assistance benefits NOT listed on the chart. If income is received from child support or alimony, only report court-ordered payments. Informal but regular payments should be reported as "other" income in the next part.

E) Report income from pensions/retirement/all other income.

Report all income that applies in the "Pensions/Retirement/Social Security/All Other Income" field on the application.

H) Provide the last four digits of your Social Security Number (SSN). An adult household member must enter the last four digits of their SSN in the space provided. You are eligible to apply for benefits even if you do not have a SSN. If no adult household members have a SSN, leave this space blank and mark the box to the right labeled "Check box if no SSN."

G) Report total household size. Enter the total number of household members in the field "Total Household Members (Children and Adults)." This number MUST be equal to the number of household members listed in STEP 1 and STEP 3. If there are any members of your household that you have not listed on the application, go back and add them. It is very important to list all household members, as the size of your household affects your eligibility for free and reduced price meals.

STEP 4: CONTACT INFORMATION AND ADULT SIGNATURE

An adult member of the household must sign the application. By signing the application, that household member is promising that all information has been truthfully and completely reported. Before completing this section, please also make sure you have read the privacy and civil rights statements on the back of the application.

A) Provide your contact information. Write your current address in the fields provided if this information is available. If you have no permanent address, this does not make your children ineligible for free or reduced price school meals. Sharing a phone number, email address, or both is optional, but helps us reach you quickly if we need to contact you.

B) Print or sign your name.

The adult filling out the application must print or sign their name in the signature box.

C) Return completed form to: River Ridge School District, P.O. Box 78, Patch Grove, WI 53817

D) Share children's racial and ethnic identities (optional). On the back of the application, we ask you to share information about your children's race and ethnicity. This field is optional and does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price school meals.

2020-2021 Household Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals

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community's representative. The representative must also be a resident of the community and have information on necessary local programs.

STEP 1 List ALL infants, children, and students up to and including grade 12 who are Household Members

“*Continuum*,” *Harvard Medical Letter*. Available at: <http://www.hmdl.com>. Accessed March 11, 2004.

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STEP 2 Do any Housenield Members (including you) currently participate in any of the following pension plans: Fidelity, W-2 Cash Bonoffs, or FOP/R? ☐ Yes; ☐ No

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STEP 3 : Repeat Income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you answered "Yes" to STEP 2)

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Actual Income

See opening paragraph in the Handbook with additional volume listings. The TOL listings are listed by 20 subject, 400 volumes up to and including Grade 12 Grade STEP 1 here.

D. All Adult Household Members (including you, if applicable)

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3. Total Household Members (Children and Adults)—REQUIRED

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STEP 4 Collect information and input elements

Return completed forms to your school.

River Ridge School District P.O. Box 78, Parcel C Grove, WI 53617

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| Street Address (1 line only) | Appt # | Day | Phone | Zip | Customer Phone and E-mail (optional) |
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Printed Name OR Signature of Adj: Got census this 4/30/2020 REQUIRED

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RIVER RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

2020-2021 School Calendar (Board Approved August 12, 2020)



Important Dates

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| September 1 | First Day of School |
| September 7 | No School-Holiday |
| October 30 | No School |
| November 25-27 | No School |
| December 23-31 | No School |
| January 1 | No School |
| January 4 | School Resumes |
| January 18 | No School-Record's Day |
| February 12 | No School |
| February 15 | No School/In-Service |
| March 12 | No School |
| March 24 | No School/In-Service |
| April 1-5 | No School |
| May 28 | Last Day -Early Release |

1st Quarter
September 1 - October 29

2nd Quarter
November 2 - January 15

3rd Quarter
January 19 - March 23

4th Quarter
March 25 - May 28

School Hours - 8:00 AM to 3:25 PM

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| 14 | Purple Day |
| 12 | White Day |
| 26 | 2nd Semester (TBD) |
| 12 | No School |
| 31 | Holiday |

website: rrsd.k12.wi.us

River Ridge School Supply List 2020-21 Updated 8/6/2020

- ✓ **All students are asked to bring Kleenex and Clorox Wipes.**
- ✓ **Tennis shoes are needed for 4K – 4th grade students.**

Early Childhood

Backpack
Pencil box
Folder
Change of clothes
(shirt, socks, underwear, pants)

4-Year Old Kindergarten

2 pkg large glue sticks (3/pack)
Watercolors
Pencil box
Soft rest mat (kid's sleeping bag)
*PLEASE NO PLASTIC MATS
1 roll paper towel
1 set watercolors
1 pkg large or small paper plates
1 pkg coffee filters
1 box quart or gallon size Ziploc bags
Small headphones

Kindergarten

Washable markers (pkg of 8)
2 folders (preferably plastic)
White school glue (4 oz bottle)
1 package of glue sticks (3/pack)
Pencil box
Rest mat
1 roll paper towel
1 box of quart or gallon Ziplock bags
Small headphones

First Grade

Pencils (sharpened)
Erasers
Scissors
Glue sticks
Crayons
Highlighter
Small headphones

Second Grade

24 #2 pencils (sharpened)
Erasers
Colored pencils
12" ruler (inches & centimeters)
Small school box
2 pocket folders
5-10 glue sticks
Crayons (24 count)
Pointed scissors
Highlighter (pink or yellow)
2 spiral notebooks
Boys – 1 box sandwich size bags
Girls – 1 box gallon size storage bags
2 boxes crackers (i.e Goldfish, Graham Crackers)
Small headphones

Third Grade

Several #2 pencils (sharpened)
Colored pencils (set of at least 8)
1 pointed scissors
1 pencil pouch
1 large eraser and several pencil-top erasers
Crayons
2 glue sticks
1 bottle glue
2 folders
Multiplication and division flash cards
Wooden ruler w/inches & centimeters
1 highlighter
Loose leaf paper: Wide Ruled
2 rolls of paper towels
1 pair ear buds or small headphones

Fourth Grade

1 5-subject notebooks w/perforated edges
4 pocket (plastic preferred) folders
(matching w/notebooks)
Colored pencils (set of at least 8)
Large erasers & MANY pencil-top erasers
Pencil pouch
Art box (not large – about 8 ½ x 5)
5 packages #2 lead pencils
Pointed scissors
Highlighter
Multiplication & division flash cards (up to 12)
1 pair ear buds or small headphones
All other items donated thanks to an anonymous donor

Fifth Grade

5 **wide-ruled** spiral notebooks
2 BLUE (math)
1 GREEN (science)
1 RED (social studies)
1 YOUR CHOICE
No folders are needed. A multi pocket folder will be supplied by RRAP.
2 composition notebooks
Several **red** pens (no felt tip/marker type)
Large eraser & several pencil-top erasers
Large pointed sturdy scissors
Art box
Pencil pouch
Highlighter
Several #2 lead pencils
Colored pencils (set of at least 8)
Crayons
Markers
12" ruler w/inches & centimeters
Glue sticks & bottle of glue
1 pair ear buds

Sixth Grade

6 wide-ruled **spiral** notebooks or 2 three-subject notebooks (may have perforated pages)
No folders are needed. A multi pocket folder will be supplied by RRAP.
1 composition notebook
1 pack wide-ruled loose-leaf paper
Several #2 pencils (sharpened)
Erasers
4 red pens
Highlighters
12" inch ruler w/inches & centimeters
Colored pencils
Pencil pouch (heavy duty fabric & zippered)
Scientific calculator (good for 6th - 8th grade)
Post-it Notes (3x3)
Double-sided tape
1 ½ inch binder w/five dividers
1 pair ear buds

Seventh & Eighth Grade

5 wide-ruled individual subject notebooks – for Social Studies, Science, Health, Spanish, and Math
No folders are needed. A multi pocket folder will be supplied by RRAP.
1 composition notebook
Plenty of #2 pencils (if you choose mechanical pencils have PLENTY of lead)
Red pens
Highlighters (assorted colors)
Glue sticks (3/pack)
Post-It Notes
Erasers (pencil top) – OPTIONAL
Colored pencils – OPTIONAL
Scissors – OPTIONAL
Scientific calculator (good for 6th – 8th grade)
Pencil case
1 spiral bound sketchbook for art
1 box of Kleenex and a
1 container of Clorox wipes
1 pair ear buds

Seventh Grade only

Trifold Display Board
3-ring binder

Eighth Grade only

1" or 2" 3-ring binder
w/clear slide in front & back (for portfolio)
25-page protectors

7 & 8 Choir Members

Black 3-ring binder w/side pockets

High School Art Students

1 spiral bound sketchbook

High School Consumer Math Students

3-ring binder
Pencils
TI-34 Calculator

High School Geometry Students

3-ring binder
Compass
Ruler
Protractor
Colored pencils

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