

## RILEY COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL



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### ***FROM SUPERINTENDENT GREY'S DESK***

It is hard to believe that we are already heading into October! The start of the school year has been great, I truly appreciate the warm welcome from our students, staff, and families here at Riley. Riley is a special place, and I am honored to be a part of this amazing school district.

Towards the end of October, parents and guardians will receive a survey regarding our upcoming strategic plan. Our strategic plan will help guide and prioritize our collective vision for the Riley School District. Staff members and Board members will meet later this month to provide their input into the plan. We will also meet with students to give them a voice on what they would

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like to see happen at Riley. We are looking forward to seeing the results and collaboratively building a plan to help guide us in providing the best possible experience for our students.

### ***E-LEARNING PLAN***

We have an e-learning plan in place at Riley School. This allows us to have school on days that we might normally have to have an emergency day where school is closed. The e-learning plan allows us to send materials and devices home so students can attend school remotely on these days. For example, if we know the weather forecast looks like we are going to have too much snow to hold school, we can send devices home with students the day before. If school is cancelled, they would then log in in the morning and work on school work remotely. Teachers can hold ZOOM meetings if possible, as well, to provide instruction. We do take attendance on these days as it is a legal school day.

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### ***FIRE PREVENTION***

Fire Prevention Week  
10/9-10/13 - Thursday,  
October 12th Grades K-3  
will have a safety  
demonstration by the  
Marengo Fire  
Department.

### ***RED RIBBON WEEK***



On October 23-October 27  
we will be observing Red  
Ribbon Week (Campaign to  
inform students' why it is  
important to stay drug free).

The theme this year is "**Be Kind to Your Mind...Be Drug Free**". We will be celebrating with a variety of events each day of the week as follows:  
**Monday October 23:** "Red-y to Live a Drug Free Life!"  
Wear All Red  
**Tuesday October 24:** "Kick Back and Relax Without Drugs" Wear Your Pjs/Comfy Clothes

**Wednesday October 25:** "Be a Hero, Stay Drug Free"  
Dress in Red, White, and Blue

**Thursday October 26:** "My Future is Bright Drug Free"  
Dress as Your Favorite Celebrity

**Friday October 27:** "Exercise and Sweat Out Drugs" Wear A Sports Jersey

## 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE UPDATE

### Class Officers

Congratulations to this year's 2023-2024 Riley School Class Officers:

**President:**

Kevin Kaczko

**Vice President:**

Ryan Aubry

**Treasurer/Secretary:**

Nathan Jurczyk



## DAVE'S COFFEE CAKES SALES

The 8th-grade class will be selling the original Dave's Coffee Cakes. Coffee Cakes are \$22. If every student sells 14 coffee cakes, the cost of the Springfield trip will be covered.

## THIS IS OUR ONLY FUNDRAISER FOR SPRINGFIELD

Coffee cake sales will begin on October 6th. Coffee cake orders are due on October 23<sup>rd</sup>. The coffee cakes will be delivered on Thursday, November 16th at the Riley Town Hall Building from 3:00-4:00 pm. Please plan accordingly for coffee cakes to be picked up in a timely manner as Riley will not have freezer space to store the coffee cakes. Additional information will be in the student's selling envelope on October 11<sup>th</sup>.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Lagerstrom at (815) 568-8637.

## JUNIOR HIGH DANCE

The Junior High Dance will be Friday, November 3rd from 3:15-5:00 pm. Look for information to come home the week of October 31<sup>st</sup>.

## ANGEL WEEK

Are There Any Angels Out There?

The 8th-grade class will be promoting "Angel Week" at Riley School during the week of November 13-17, 2023. Angel Week will be a little similar to last year. Participation this year will be specific items that the M.O.R.E. Center is looking to hand out to the community. Monday through Wednesday, we will be collecting specific food and nonperishable items and on Thursday and Friday, we will be collecting money to purchase coats, mittens, hats, and other clothing necessities for the less fortunate.

The homeroom class that brings in the most items will be given a doughnut party and the class that brings in the most money will receive a pizza party sponsored by the 8th-grade class. Let's see how many wonderful ANGELS we have at Riley School!





## **42nd ANNUAL PUMPKIN RUN FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20<sup>TH</sup>**

All parents are invited to come and watch the run. We also need volunteers to help hand out finisher sticks, record times, write out ribbons and cheer students on throughout the course. If you are interested in volunteering on the day of the Pumpkin Run, keep your eye out for a slip coming home with your child during the first week of October.

Elementary classes run in the afternoon during their PE time. The junior high classes and 5<sup>th</sup> grade run in the morning during their PE time. Let's celebrate improving our cardiovascular endurance with the Pumpkin Run!!



## **ART TO REMEMBER**



Keep your eyes open for the **Art to Remember** packet in your child's backpack this week. The money from this fund raiser is used to buy those little extras that the art budget doesn't cover like, dream weaver rings, sculpty clay, beads and weaving boards. As always, the students appreciate any funds that are raised during this time. Remember, even if your child doesn't order anything they will get their original artwork back (I get a lot of calls on that)!

Thanks so much for your continued support of the Arts at Riley! Ms. Moore



## **LIBRARY HAPPENINGS**



WOW! The first month of school has flown by in the Library! We have been busy, reading, learning and creating. STEM lessons continue to excite and challenge our minds. In September we learned what we do with an idea and how to make it come to life. We built structures, learned about our five senses and figured out how to make electrical connections to make something spin. Be sure to ask your son/daughter all about it!

Library books can be checked out for two weeks. If you see a Riley Library book laying around the house, please help to insure that it makes its way back to school. If your son/daughter has lost their library book, please let me know. Lost books will incur a fee so that I can replace the book.

Happy Reading!

Mrs. McAllister



**ENJOY FALL!**

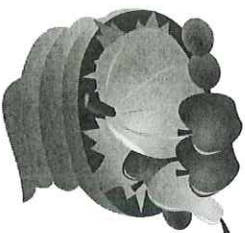

## **CONCERT BAND**

Band members will be performing with the Marengo High School Marching Band for the football game on Friday, October 7th. Band students who participate in the rehearsal and performance will receive free admission to the game and pizza.

Additional information will be sent home. Please return the forms to Mr. Hostetler as soon as possible.



# RILEY SCHOOL LUNCH MENU OCTOBER 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>2</b> PB&J Uncrustable Vegetable Fruit Yogurt	<b>3</b> ***NEW ITEM*** Fiestada Beef Pizza Vegetable Fruit	<b>4</b> BBQ Boneless Chicken Wings Vegetable Fruit Hawaiian Roll	<b>5</b> Chicken Patty Sandwich Vegetable Fruit Granola bar	<b>6</b> Hot Dog Chips Vegetable Fruit Pickle
<b>9</b> <b>COLUMBUS DAY</b> ***NO SCHOOL***	<b>10</b> Taquitos Spanish Rice Beans Fruit	<b>11</b> Pancakes or French Toast Hashbrown Fruit Cheese Stick	<b>12</b> Chicken Salad Sandwich Vegetable Fruit Granola Bar	<b>13</b> Cheeseburger Vegetable Fruit Chips
<b>16</b> Chicken Nuggets Vegetable Fruit	<b>17</b> Quesadilla or Taco MaxSnax Vegetable Fruit	<b>18</b> Pancake Wrapped Sausage Bites Tater Tots Fruit Yogurt	<b>19</b> Mini Corn Dogs Vegetable Fruit Granola Bar	<b>20</b> Popcorn Chicken *Hot n Spicy or Regular* Vegetable Fruit
<b>23</b> Mozzarella Sticks Vegetable Fruit	<b>24</b> Nachos Meat/Cheese Vegetable Fruit	<b>25</b> *MRS.McALLISTER'S FAVORITE LUNCH!* Orange Chicken Rice Broccoli Fruit	<b>26</b> Macaroni & Cheese Vegetable Fruit Hawaiian Roll	<b>27</b> Cheese Pizza Vegetable Fruit
<b>30</b> Meatball sub w/Marinara & Cheese Vegetable Fruit	<b>31</b> Crunchy Beef Taco Cheese/Lettuce Spanish Rice Beans Fruit			Lunch Ticket Price: 20 Day - \$65.00 5 Day - \$16.25 20 Day Milk - \$8.00 Choice of milk served daily with meals 1% White Fat-free Chocolate