

20-21 RRMS School Connects Archives

5/23/21

We've made it, Royal Knights! The final three days of the school year and we are finishing Royal Strong. I'm so proud of how everyone has met the challenges of the year and rose above to achieve success! We could not have made it without the support of the teachers, staff, parents, and River Ridge community. We have many exciting end of year activities for the final three days of school.

First, on Monday, May 24th will be the final district final make up day. 6th and 7th graders can make up their exams in the media center periods 1-5, and 8th graders can make up their exams during 6th and 7th period. MSOL students should be able to take their district finals using Procterio. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Kolean at kkolean@pasco.k12.fl.us.

The end of year activities for our 8th graders will be on Monday, May 24th with a student only Promotion Celebration to honor the amazing Class of 2025. MySchool Online students may participate in the celebration but should have parent pick up as soon as the events conclude. We are encouraging 8th graders to wear their 8th grade t-shirts. If you purchased a t-shirt and haven't picked up, please do so at the front office. At 7:45AM, all 8th graders will enjoy a catered breakfast in the cafeteria. Then will participate in the clap out to the theater where the students will take part in RRMS tradition of watching the 8th grade video at approximately 9:15AM. Immediately following the video, each student who is eligible for promotion will be recognized and receive their promotion certificate and a high school success kit. We anticipate the events ending about 11:30AM. At 6PM that evening, a special virtual promotion ceremony which will include the speeches, individual recognition for each 8th grader and the 8th grade video will be available on the RRMS Youtube channel, website, and Facebook page.

On Tuesday, May 25th, 6th Grade Celebration of Excellence will be at 8AM in theater, with the 7th grade ceremony following at 9:30AM. Invitations were sent out last week to those students who are receiving recognition. Each student is allowed 2 adults to attend. Masks are required in the theater. On Wednesday, May 26th is the last day of school. We will be holding a breakfast 1st period for our 7th graders as they become kings and queens of the castle. 7th graders are encouraged to bring in items to decorate crowns during this time. We will also have breakfast from McDonald's and Cosmic Donuts. If you would like to donate supplies for crown making, please drop them off at the front office. During 6th period, we will have a field day for our 6th graders. Don't forget your money because Kona Ice will be there!

MSOL students who have a River Ridge device need to turn it back in with cord and charger on Wednesday, May 26th or Thursday, May 27th from 8AM-12PM at the middle school car loop. If you have any questions, please contact Patti Colvin at pcolvin@pasco.k12.fl.us.

Information on Extended School Year was provided to those students who are eligible to make up courses this summer. ESY will be 20 3.5 hour days on June 7-July 15th with no school on Fridays. Please get your forms back to Mrs. Murphy as soon as possible. As you plan your schedule for this summer, River Ridge will be offering several summer camp opportunities in the

following areas: football, volleyball, dance, basketball, baseball, and music. We also are planning a musical theater camp in mid-July with more information coming soon. Registration information is located on the River Ridge Middle and High School website at <https://rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/?p=8217>.

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Finally, RRMS will be under construction for most of the summer as we are getting all new restrooms in the entire school. Due to this factor, we have had to move back the Storm the Castle 6th grade and new student orientation to August 5th from 8AM-12PM. Mark your calendars, that afternoon from 1PM-3PM we will be opening the school for incoming 7th and 8th graders as an open house to walk their schedules, pay fees, and become acclimated for the 21-22 school year.

Let's make it a great final week and finish Royal Strong! We also wish everyone a safe and restful summer!

5/16/21

Good afternoon, Royal families... this is the last full week of school and we know everyone can finish Royal Strong! This week students in Algebra, 7th grade advanced math, and Civics will take their state assessments. We will also be finishing up district finals in a variety of subjects. Please see the testing page on the RRMS website for the most up to date testing schedule. Attendance is crucial as make up sessions are very limited.

Monday: 7:30AM Algebra 1 Session 1, 12:30PM FSA Math Gr. 7 Adv. Session 1 (12:30PM)

Tuesday: 7:30AM Algebra 1 Session 2 and 3, 11AM FSA Math Gr. 7 Adv. Session 2 and 3

Wednesday and Thursday: 7:30 AM Civics EOC

There is Dance Team tryouts on Monday, May 17 through Wednesday, May 19 after school until 4:30pm. See Mrs. Vairo in the dance room for more information.

On Tuesday, May 18th, the RRMS Music Department will host the spring concert at 6:30PM in the theater. Each student may invite 4 guests to attend. Masks are required in the theater.

On Thursday, May 20th, we will be celebrating our Royal Knights with the 8th Grade Celebration of Excellence end of year awards ceremony in the theater at 8AM. Invitations were

distributed last week. Invited students may invite 2 parent/guardians to attend. Masks are required in the theater.

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We are planning for the upcoming year! Would you be interested in seeing Beyond the Bell after school program return for the 21-22 school year? The district is trying to gauge interest, please complete the survey for planning purposes. <https://ryu.pasco.k12.fl.us/asep/view.php?id=120138> If you know of an incoming 6th grade family, please share with them.

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5/9/21

We had an amazing Staff Appreciation Week thanks to the generous donations from the RRMS PTSA, Royal Families, and many local businesses. We are so blessed to have a wonderful community that supports education, our teachers, and students!

This week FSA ELA and Math testing will continue with Science on Friday. These assessments have up to three sessions on multiple days in a row. Please make sure that your child knows their testing day, time and location. Lists have been put out in myLearning and are posted in the media center and cafeteria. They also were provided cards with the information. We also will begin district finals for all non-state tested courses which will count as 10% of the student's grade. The week's testing schedule is below:

Monday: 7:30AM FSA Math Gr. 7 Accommodated Session 2 & 3; District Finals: Art, Spanish 1 & 2

Tuesday: 7:30AM FSA Math Gr. 7 Session 2 & 3; District Finals: Health, Science 1, World History

Wednesday: 7:30AM/9:30AM FSA ELA Gr. 7 Session 1; District Finals: Research, US History

Thursday: 7:30AM/9:30AM FSA ELA Gr. 7 Session 2; District Finals: CTE (Coding, Marketing, Engineering)

Friday: 7:30AM FSSA Gr. 8 & Gr. 7 Accl. Science; District Finals: Theater, Science 2

These assessments provide vital information for course placement and student instructional progress. Please make it a priority to attend during your assigned testing time. All MSOL students must complete these assessments face to face. We are confident that our students are well prepared to excel by showing what they know! If you have any questions, please contact for state assessments Mrs. White at dmwright@pasco.k12.fl.us and Mr. Kolean at kkolean@pasco.k12.fl.us for district finals.

On Wednesday, May 12th, the spring induction ceremony for NJHS will take place in the theater at 1PM. Inductees may invite two guests to attend the ceremony. Dress is professional for students. Contact Mrs. Wierenga with questions.

On Saturday, May 15th the RRMS Dance Department will present the Spring Dance Showcase at 4PM and 6PM at the River Ridge Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets had to be pre-purchased from Mrs. Vairo. There will be no tickets sold at the door. Seating is limited and masks will be required in the theater.

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5/2/21

Happy May, Royal Families! Only four weeks left in the school year to finish Royal Strong! This week we are celebrating our Royal Teachers and Staff with an amazing week of appreciation. Thank you to all of the local businesses, River Ridge families, and the community for your generous donations to make this week a success. Please take a minute to share your individual appreciation for our staff by giving a staff member a Royal Staff Shout Outs at this: <https://rirms.pasco.k12.fl.us/mform/view.php?id=13869>.

FSA Reading and Math testing begin this week. These assessments have up to three sessions on multiple days in a row. Please make sure that your child knows their testing day, time and location. Lists have been put out in myLearning and are posted in the media center and cafeteria. They also were provided cards with the information. The week's testing schedule is below:

Monday: 7:30AM FSA Reading Gr. 6 and Gr. 8 Session 1

Tuesday: 7:30AM FSA Reading Gr. 6 and Gr. 8 Session 2

Wednesday: 7:30AM FSA Math Gr. 6 and FSA Double Adv. Math Gr. 6 Session 1,
7:30AM/9:30AM FSA Math Gr. 8 Session 1, 12:30PM FSA Math Gr. 7 Session 1

Thursday: 7:30AM FSA Math Gr. 6 and FSA Double Adv. Math Gr. 6 Session 2 & 3, 7:30AM
FSA Math Gr. 8 Session 1

Friday: 7:30AM FSA Math Gr. 8 Math Session 2 & 3, 7:30AM FSA Math Gr. 7 Session 1 Acc.

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well prepared to excel by showing what they know! If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. White at dmwright@pasco.k12.fl.us.

On Monday, May 3rd, the RRMS Drama Department will present the Thespian Revue at 6:30PM at the River Ridge Center for the Performing Arts. Tickets are \$5 and can be pre-purchased on TicketSpicket.com. Seating is limited and masks will be required in the theater.

On Tuesday, May 4th, River Ridge MS Boys and Girls Track Teams will compete in the Conference Meet at Fivay High School at 5PM. Only selected athletes will compete at this meet. Good Luck, Knights finish Royal Strong!

A new Pasco Pathways School Choice application window for the 21-22 school year will be open from May 3-May 7. If you know of 6th and 7th graders looking to be a Royal Knight, please share that the RRMS FAME (Fine Arts Music Entertainment) Academy for rising 6th and 7th Graders have a few SCHOOL CHOICE open seats available for the 21-22 school year! APPLY during the LAST school choice window. (If your child has already been accepted through school choice, please do NOT reapply.) Applications can be accessed through myStudent. The application window will close on May 7 at 4:30PM.

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Progress Reports for quarter 4 were available in myStudent on Friday. PTSA will be providing progress reports "on track" treats as part of our Royal Rewards on Monday at lunches. There are only a few short weeks left to finish Royal Strong! In order to be promoted to high school, students must earn a semester grade of D or higher in all core classes of Math, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts. Students who are at risk or off track should have received a letter in

the mail outlining course recovery options and possible extended school year which will be 20 half days from June 7th - July 22nd. More information will be coming regarding the summer programs.

Extended School Day will be Monday, Wednesday and Thursday this week from 2:15PM-5:15PM in Portable 14.

This week in sports the track team travels on Tuesday, April 27th to Fivay High School and is home on Thursday, April 29th. Field events start at 5PM, running events are immediately following at 6PM. Please make sure to follow the Pasco County Schools spectator athletics guidelines including mask requirements, if you plan to attend. Tickets for the River Ridge home events are only available on TicketSpicket.com for \$3. Please purchase tickets prior to entering the gate. We look forward to an awesome showing for both the boys' and girls' track teams!

Attention 8th Graders, there are some important deadlines approaching in the next week.

The RRMS PTSA is providing an opportunity to celebrate your 8th grader with a high school bound sign, incoming 6th grader, or just to show your Royal Spirit with Royal Spirit Yard Signs. We have the following schools: River Ridge Middle School 8th Grade high school bound to River Ridge High School, Cypress Elementary, Deer Park Elementary, Longleaf Elementary, Moon Lake Elementary, Cotee River Elementary and River Ridge Middle School. Signs can be purchased through the PTSA Member Hub for \$12 from now to April 30th the date has been extended at this link: <https://riverridgemsptsa.memberhub.store/store>. Signs will be delivered to the school the first week of May for pick up. Elementary signs will be dropped off at the specific elementary schools. If you have any questions, please contact the RRMS PTSA at riverridgemsptsa@gmail.com.

Order Your 8th Grade T-shirts now on Rycor! The shirt design includes a class list with all 8th grade student names on the back. Orders are due by April 30th in Rycor. There will be no extra shirts ordered after this date. We are asking that students wear their 8th grade shirts to the 8th grade breakfast and the other events on May 24th. If you need assistance with Rycor, please contact Mrs. Cione, Bookkeeper, at fcione@pasco.k12.fl.us.

Teacher Appreciation Week is right around the corner May 3rd - May 7th! RRMS Administration and RRMS PTSA are looking to the community to thank our staff by donating gift cards, baskets, prizes or services! Really, anything that you can think of that would make a good prize! If you have a business or know a business who would like to donate coupons, discount cards, or promotional items to the Staff Appreciation bags, please contact Mrs. Murphy as soon as possible at amurphy@pasco.k12.fl.us.

We are also collecting packages of spaghetti and spaghetti sauce in hopes of sending every staff member home with dinner for one night. If you are able to donate something, please sign up at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084dada82dabff2-river5>. Please turn in any donations to the front office by this Monday, April 26th. We appreciate your help in celebrating the best staff in all of the land!

Finally, FSA and EOC testing will begin again the first week of May. Please make sure that your child knows their testing day, time and location. Lists have been put out in myLearning and are posted in the media center and cafeteria. They also were provided cards with the information. These assessments provide vital information for course placement and student instructional progress. Please make it a priority to attend during your assigned testing time. All MSOL students must complete these assessments face to face. We are confident that our students are well prepared to excel by showing what they know! If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. White at dmwright@pasco.k12.fl.us.

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4/18/21

This week we are celebrating Administrative Professionals Week at RRMS! We would like to thank all of our support staff, Mrs. Blanchard, Mrs. Cace, Mrs. Cione, Ms. Cione, Mr. Cione, Mrs. Colvin, Mrs. Hammelman, Mrs. McAuliffe, Ms. Noe, Mrs. Pruneau, Mrs. Sarris, Mrs. Sestokas, and Mrs. Zampella for everything they do for the Royal Family. Please take the opportunity to send them a shout out of appreciation on our website at this link: <https://rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/mform/view.php?id=13869>.

This week Quarter 4 Progress Reports will be available on myStudent on Friday, April 23rd marking only a few short weeks until the end of the year. The Student Success Team will also be meeting with all "at risk" and "off track" 6th and 7th graders this week through Science and US History class to hold student data chats. Please make sure to check myStudent regularly for grades, attendance, and assessment progress. Student success is truly a partnership between home and school! Students will also continue with NWEA Map testing to determine instructional needs prior to FSA and EOCs in May. We will be holding Extended School Day on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday this week in Portable 14 from 2:15PM-5:15PM. If you have concerns about your child's progress in any area, please contact your child's teacher or school counselor to set up a parent teacher conference and to develop a success plan.

River Ridge Middle School would like to congratulate 8th grader Terry Pixler, who will be recognized on Tuesday at the School Board meeting as the Pasco County Schools CTE Middle School Student of the Year. Terry is an amazing student who is in the Engineering Program and aspire to be an aerospace engineer. Congratulations Terry, way to represent being Royal!

This week in sports the track team hosts both home meets on Tuesday, April 20th and Thursday, April 22nd. Field events start at 5PM, running events are immediately following at 6PM. Please make sure to follow the Pasco County Schools spectator athletics guidelines including mask requirements, if you plan to attend. Tickets are only available on TicketSpicket.com for \$3. Please purchase tickets prior to entering the gate. We look forward to an awesome showing for both the boys' and girls' track teams!

We also will be conducting our Quarter 4 Active Threat Plan Drill this week.

Attention 8th Graders, there are some important deadlines approaching in the next two weeks.

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8th Grade video pictures are due to Mrs. Baumaister this week! Please email ONE baby picture and ONE current individual picture. All pictures need to be sent electronically to Mrs. Baumaister at cbaumais@pasco.k12.fl.us with the subject line: 8th Grade Baby Picture – Student Name. Deadline for photo submission is April 23rd.

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Last week began state testing with FSA writing assessment. We had an amazing turn out with focused students ready to show what they know. This week we will have make up sessions on Monday and Tuesday. Those students have been contacted with their testing times and locations. The final window of NWEA Map Assessment also begins this week through April 30th in order to show growth and progress in the areas of Math, Science, and Language Arts. These diagnostic assessments help to guide instruction to prepare students to meet grade level standards.

The online PBIS School Store will be open on Monday and Tuesday this week with distribution at lunches on Thursday, April 15th. MSOL students can pick up their items at the front office.

There will be a School Advisory Council meeting on Thursday, April 15th at 2:30PM via Zoom. Please contact Mr. Astone for the link.

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The FSA Writing testing begins this week for all students Grades 6-8. On Monday, April 5th, ALL 6th grade students and half of 8th grade is testing. On Tuesday, April 6th, the other half of the 8th grade will test. Then on Thursday, April 8th and Friday, April 9th, the 7th grade students will test. Students should get a good night's sleep and eat breakfast. Lists with locations, times, and dates were sent out through myLearning announcements and are located on the media center and cafeteria windows. Students should also have reminder tickets with this information. Students need to arrive on campus no later than 7:15AM, can go to the cafeteria to pick up breakfast and then report immediately to their testing rooms. There will be staff outside to direct students to their locations. For those MSOL and FLVS students, who are coming on campus, you can report to your testing rooms or if you need assistance, please report to the front office. Testing will begin promptly at 7:30AM every day. Once testing is complete, MSOL and FLVS students should be picked up promptly by a parent at the middle school car loop. Students who are absent will be called for make-up testing the week of April 12th. State testing is important and will determine your child's course placement next year so please make this a priority. The entire FSA/EOC/District Finals schedule is located on the RRMS website at https://rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/?page_id=7723.

On Monday, April 5th, there will be an RRMS PTSA General Elections meeting in the middle school cafeteria at 6:30PM. According to PTSA bylaws, elections must be done in person. If you have any questions, please contact Tara Fielding at riverridgemsptsa@gmail.com.

On Wednesday, April 7th, we will have our final early release day of the year. We will be on a shortened activity schedule and school will end at 12:08PM. We will also have clubs that day so students should dress appropriately and bring the materials they need for their club. There will also not be extended school day program or track practice this day.

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This week we will kick off our Spring Spirit Week. Let's say goodbye to winter and hello to spring before going into spring testing and make sure we finish the quarter Royal Strong! There will be dress up days, games at lunch, and recognition for our new track teams. Monday is March Madness Monday - wear your favorite jersey or athletic gear. Tuesday is Tourist Tuesday - wear your favorite beach gear (school appropriate) or a shirt from a place you have traveled. Wednesday is Disney Day - wear your Disney gear and don't forget your Mickey and Minnie ears. Thursday is Tie Dye Thursday - get creative! Shine bright with spring colors. Friday, April 2nd there is no school so enjoy your day off! We will also be hosting a Royal Egg Hunt throughout the week. Students should look for eggs with scratch offs hidden around campus this week to win a Royal Reward.

The 4th quarter is incredibly important to finishing the year Royal strong with both academics and behavior. The student's progress made can affect the upcoming year in the way of course placement and standardized testing results so attendance and motivation are the keys. 3rd Quarter Report Cards will be available in myStudent on Tuesday, March 30th. Please check myStudent regularly to review your child's grades and that they are on track for promotion. In order to be promoted to high school, students must earn a semester grade of D or higher in all core classes of math, science, ELA, and social studies. If your child needs support, please reach out to their teachers and have them participate in our after school tutoring and extended school day programs. Extended School Day will be on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday of this week from 2:15PM-5:15PM. Students can also come for tutoring on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:15PM-3:15PM in the Media Center. Please take advantage of all of these opportunities! We

will also be rewarding students who are "on track" with "on track" Royal Scholar bands and an "on track" treat this week at lunches.

Please make sure to check out the Spring Assessment Information on the RRMS website which includes parent letters and calendars at this link: https://rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/?page_id=7723. State testing begins April 5th with the FSA Writing and goes through the end of May. All MSOL students must take their FSA/EOC State Assessments on campus in a face to face setting. State testing is important and will determine your child's course placement next year so please make this a priority. All rosters with dates, times, and locations have been sent through myLearning and are also posted in the grade level hallways, media center and cafeteria windows. Students will complete a testing reminder ticket in Knight Time on Monday. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. White, Assistant Principal.

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We are hopeful that everyone enjoyed the Spring Break. We are looking forward to welcoming all of our Royal Knights back for the 4th Quarter on Tuesday, March 23rd as Monday is a Teacher Planning Day and there is no school for students.

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We are excited to begin the Spring Sports Season with Boys' and Girls' Track and Field Tryouts from Tuesday, March 23rd-Friday, March 26th from 2:15PM-4PM at the Middle School Track. There is no experience required and students in all grade levels are encouraged to come out to be on the team. Prior to try outs, students must have an up to date physical and the athletic paperwork completed. If your child has previously participated or try out for a sport this year, they will not need any else to come out. Please see Coach Brando, Coach Koos, or Coach Fout for more information.

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Upon our return and the start of the 4th quarter, the 7th grade science and 8th grade world history classes will have 1-hour presentations on the topic of human trafficking, which is state-mandated for all secondary students on either March 23, 25, or 26. We are fortunate to partner with the Selah Freedom, a national organization providing awareness, prevention, outreach, and housing for victims. A parent letter was sent home prior to Spring Break and is located on our website. If you would like your child to opt out of the presentation, please complete the form and return to the teacher. The letter is at this link: <https://rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/?p=8140>.

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On Monday, March 8th, we will be hosting a middle school transition parent night and open house for incoming 6th graders via Zoom starting at 6PM. The links are posted on our website and have been emailed to current 5th graders zoned for RRMS. If you have or know of a family with an incoming 6th grader, please share with them the information. Also, their course cards are due to 5th grade teachers on March 10th.

This week our current 6th and 7th graders will be inputting their course cards for the upcoming year in science classes. This is the final chance for them to own their course choices. Also, the mobile environmental science lab will be here for 6th grade science classes to participate in some additional hands on learning opportunities.

The PBIS Royal Merchant Online School Store will be open on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Purchased items will be distributed on Thursday, March 11th at lunches and in the front office for the MSOL students.

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2/28/21

Believe it or not, it's almost March... there are only two weeks left in the third quarter before Spring Break! Please make sure that you are checking myStudent regularly to review your child's grades and that they are on track for promotion. If your child needs support, please reach out to their teachers and have them participate in our after school tutoring and extended school day programs.

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There will be an Early Release Day on Wednesday, March 3rd with school ending at 12:08PM. We will also have a club day schedule and students can review their assigned club and location on the windows in the cafeteria and media center. Students are encouraged to dress appropriate for their club and bring any items they may need to participate.

In sports this week, we will finish the Winter Sports season! The remainder of the Boys' Basketball season unfortunately has been cancelled due to COVID quarantine procedures. The Girls' Soccer Team will play GMS on Wednesday at home and Thursday at home play PRSMS at 6PM. As a reminder, the district athletics policies for attendance at games is based on 50% capacity at all outdoor games and 4 tickets per athlete/coach for indoor games. Purchase your River Ridge home tickets on [TicketSpicket.com](https://www.ticketspicket.com). Let's Go Knights - Finish Strong! Coach Brando will also be offering open gym for volleyball in the middle school gym on Mondays and Wednesdays from 2:15PM-3:45PM. Boys' and Girls' Track tryouts will be the week after Spring Break, March 23-25. Students must have an up to date physical and all paper work completed prior to coming out to the tryouts.

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Finally, we will be holding our third Active Threat Plan drill this week as a River Ridge campus. We will be reviewing with students procedures and they will be viewing the ATP videos prior to the drill.

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2/21/21

Royal Families,

On Monday, all middle school 21-22 course cards are due to Science teachers or if you are on MSOL please upload to the appropriate assignment in your science class in myLearning. High School course cards were due on Friday to your English Language Arts teacher.

Extended School Day will be on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday this week from 2:15PM-5:15PM. Students can also come for tutoring on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:15PM-3:15PM in the Media Center. Please take advantage of all of these opportunities as there are only 3 weeks remaining in the quarter.

In sports this week, the Boys' Basketball Teams travel to BPMS on Monday and play HMS at home on Wednesday starting at 6PM. The girls' soccer team travels to play BPMS at FHS on Tuesday and at home on Thursday at 6PM. Pasco County Schools has announced a new set of guidelines that allows for more spectators at school sporting events...

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2/14/21

Royal Families,

Happy Valentine's Day to everyone in our Royal Family. This week we will be celebrating Random Acts of Kindness Week with a variety of themed-dress up days, character education lessons, and kindness acts to promote that even a small act can have a huge positive ripple effect!

There is no school on Monday due to Presidents' Day.

On Tuesday, students are encouraged to wear their favorite shirt with kind words on it or something that inspires you (favorite sport, character, show, book, etc.). If you ordered strawberries through the PTSA strawberry fundraiser, you can pick them up in the car loop from 1PM-5PM. If you are unable to make that, please contact the PTSA at riverridgemspta@gmail.com.

6th and 7th grade school counselors will be visiting science classes this week to go over the 21-22 course card presentation with students. On Tuesday evening at 6PM, we will be hosting our 21-22 Curriculum Parent Night via Zoom. Zoom links were emailed and sent through myLearning. The Zoom links are in this document: [21-22 Parent Night Zoom Links_2.16](#) From 6PM-7PM, the school counselors and administration will present a general session regarding middle/high school requirements and information. From 7PM-7:30PM, we will host an Open House where students and parents can visit different Zoom rooms to speak with teachers specifically about their program. Please also visit the RRMS website as we have videos on the advanced course offerings and elective programs. Middle school course cards are due with all signatures to Science teachers on Monday, February 22nd.

Wednesday is National Random Acts of Kindness Day. Wear purple which represents royalty which can symbolize kindness, compassion, love and dignity. Extended School Day will be Wednesday and Thursday from 2:15PM-5:15PM this week in the media center.

Thursday is Kindness is in the Heart of a Hero. We will be recognizing our heroes by wearing camo, dressing as a first responder, your favorite teacher or anyone that you see as a hero!

Finally, on Friday Kindness Royally Rocks! Wear your River Ridge spirit gear! We are ALL a Royal Family! High School Course Cards from 8th graders are due to English Language Arts teachers on this day.

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2/7/21

Royal Families,

Happy Super Bowl Sunday!

On Friday, 3rd Quarter Progress Reports were available for viewing in myStudent. We are half way through the quarter and it's highly encouraged that parents take the time to review student progress with their child. If you have any questions about student grades, please contact your child's teacher directly. We have tutoring after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays 2:15PM-3:30PM in the media center. Extended School Day Program will begin on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 2:15PM-5:15PM. Please contact Mr. Kolean for more information on this program.

This week at River Ridge we will be recognizing all of our students' talents with videos on the school news recognizing our winter sports athletes, students in extra-curricular clubs like Thespians and culminating with the RRMS The Gauntlet Virtual Talent Show on Friday afternoon. We will be running a PM Activity Schedule so all students can view the show in the classrooms as an incentive. We will also publish the link for families on our website and social media to view later that afternoon.

The high school articulation process will begin this week for students transitioning to RRHS. 8th graders will view the introductory course card video on 2/10 and receive course cards during Knight Time. Then on 2/11, the high school counselors will be in English Language Arts classes to answer any questions. Mrs. Wilson, RRHS School Counselor, will be hosting a Course Selection Parent Information Night via Zoom on Thursday, February 11th at 6PM. All 8th grade families have been emailed the secured Zoom link in a separate email from Mrs. Murphy last

Friday, February 5th. If you have not received the link, please contact the front office and we send it to you. We also encourage you to preview this important information with your student including watching the videos about course selection, course offerings and academies on the RRHS website under registration 21-22 at <https://rrhs.pasco.k12.fl.us/registration-21-22/>. Course cards will be due to ELA teachers on February 19th!

On Thursday, current RRMS 6th and 7th graders will also view the RRMS 21-22 Course Selection Kick Off video in Knight Time and receive course cards. Mark your calendars to attend the RRMS Curriculum Parent Night on Tuesday, February 16th from 6PM-7:30PM via Zoom. There will be a general information session from 6PM-7PM, then from 7PM-7:30PM you may visit the individual course and programs links to speak directly to the teachers and school counselors in an open format. A secured Zoom link will be sent to all 6th and 7th graders in a separate email from Mrs. Murphy on Thursday, February 11th. We also encourage you to visit the RRMS website to explore all of the royal opportunities for students in 21-22 at rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us.

FROM THE RRMS PTSA: WINTER FUNDRAISER - GET YOUR PLANT CITY STRAWBERRIES!

Our RRMS PTSA has organized a delicious Plant City Strawberry fundraiser for our school! If you don't want to drive to Plant City for delicious, fresh-picked strawberries, let Plant City come to you! The strawberry sale ends on Thursday, February 11th. The flats are \$20 and \$8 a flat go back to RRMS to be used for student incentives and teacher classroom supplies. Please turn in your order forms with the payment to the front office or use the online form at <https://tinyurl.com/yxzlyro9> and Venmo the payment to @Riverridgeptsa for your convenience. There are awesome Amazon Gift Card prizes for students who sell 10 flats or more! Strawberries will be here for pick up in the car loop on Tuesday, February 16th.

This week in sports the boys' basketball teams travel to CHMS on Monday and SSMS on Wednesdays. All games begin at 6PM with Varsity to follow. The girls' soccer team travels to CHMS playing at WKTHS on Tuesday and SSMS playing at JWMHS on Thursday. Please remember that only two tickets per athlete will be sold for all athletic events.

The PBIS Royal School Store will be open online on Monday and Tuesday with pick up on Thursday during lunches and in the front office for MSOL students.

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1/31/21

Next week we will be celebrating our home team all week leading up to the big game, the Super Bowl! Please join us in some fun by dressing up with a Bucs-themed week!

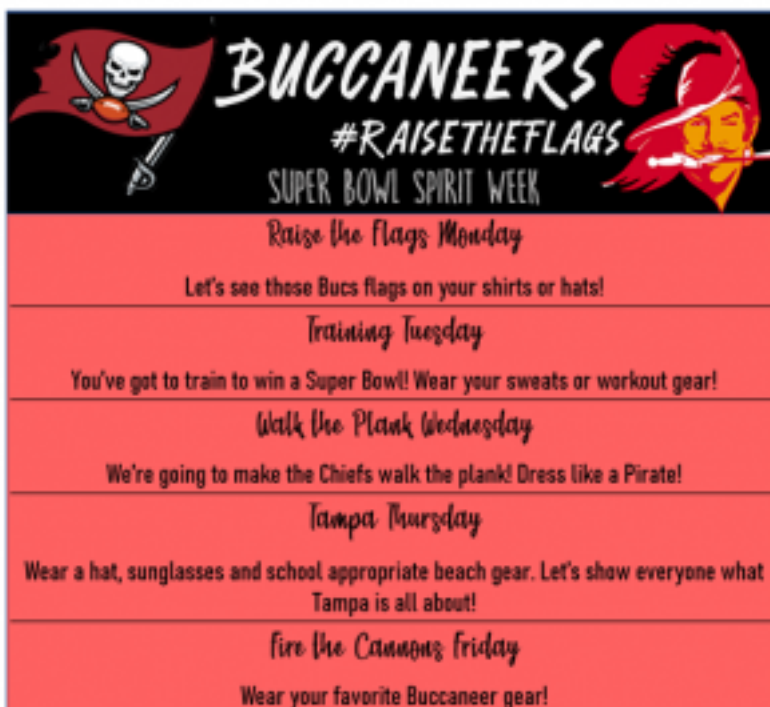
Raise the Flags Monday: Let's see those Bucs flags on your shirts or hats!

Training Tuesday: You've got to train to win a Super Bowl! Wear your sweats or work out gear!

Walk the Plank Wednesday: We're going to make the Chiefs walk the plank! Dress like a Pirate!

Tampa Thursday: Wear a hat, sunglasses and school appropriate beach gear. Let's show everyone what Tampa is all about!

Fire the Cannons Friday: Wear your favorite Buccaneers gear!



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There are prizes for those students who sell the most! Flyers will go home on Monday but start selling now as \$8 a flat go back to RRMS. Hurry, this ends Thursday, February 11th!

Extended School Day letters went out by email last week to students who need course recovery or intervention in ELA and/or Math. Please RSVP using the link on the website (<https://rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/mform/view.php?id=60829>) by Monday, February 1st. ESD will be Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 2:15PM-5:15PM starting February 8th through May 20th. Transportation and a snack will be provided. If you have any questions, please email Mr. Kolean at kkolean@pasco.k12.fl.us.

On Wednesday, February 3rd, we will have our second early release day of the year. We will be on a shortened activity schedule and school will end at 12:08PM. We will also have clubs that day so students should dress appropriately and bring the materials they need for their club.

This week the second half of winter sports begins with Boys' Basketball at home vs. PRSMS at 6PM on Wednesday, February 3rd. Please make sure that you purchase your tickets through TicketSpicket.com before arriving to the game. Only two spectators per athlete may attend the event. On Thursday, February 4th, the Girls' Soccer Team starts their season at PRSMS at AHS at 6PM.

Please make sure that you are screening your child every day for COVID symptoms and encouraging them to follow the Stay Safe protocols of wearing a mask (over their mouth and nose), washing/sanitizing their hands, social distancing and keeping their hands, feet and other objects to themselves. If you child is exposed to a positive COVID case, they should not come to school, they should quarantine immediately, and contact our school nurse, Mrs. Mundy. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact our school nurse, Mrs. Mundy.

Thank you for partnering in your child's education! Be safe and let's make it a great River Ridge Week! Go Bucs! Go Knights!

1/24/21

Last Friday, Quarter 2/Semester 1 Report Cards were available in myStudent. Please review your child's progress. In order to be on track for promotion to high school, middle school students must earn Ds or higher in core classes of Math, Science, ELA, and Social Studies. If you have any questions about student progress, please reach out to your child's teacher and grade level school counselor. Academic tutoring is offered to all students after school Tuesday and Thursday from 2:15PM-3:30PM in the Media Center.

On Monday, the RRMS PTSA will be providing "on track" treats and we will also be distributing "on track" bands to all students who earned As, Bs, and Cs and no referrals for the last quarter.

This week is Celebrate FL Literacy Week at RRMS! We have several literacy themed dress up days and will be looking to "Catch Royal Knights Reading" through out the week for Royal Rewards. Monday is Reading is a Superpower day - wear your superhero shirts. Tuesday is "Oh the Places You'll Go" day wear your college shirts. Wednesday is Words Wednesday - wear any shirt with words on it. Thursday is Throwback Thursday - wear something that represents your favorite children's book or series. Friday is Royal Spirit Friday and Friendship Friday - we will celebrate reading with our friends. Students can also log their reading in studentreading.net to participate in the Million Word Challenge.

MSOL students should come by the front office this week to pick up the next math book for 6th, 7th and 8th grade math. Please make sure to keep the math books that you have as we will be revisiting them later in the year.

We will be hosting the 3rd Annual RRMS Talent Show virtually on Friday, February 12th. We will hold auditions this week on Wednesday, January 27th and Thursday, January 28th from 2:15PM-4PM in the drama room. If you are a MSOL student and would like to participate, you may email a brief video to Mr. Astone for consideration.

Finally, please make sure that you are screening your child every day for COVID symptoms and encouraging them to follow the Stay Safe protocols of wearing a mask (over their mouth and nose), washing/sanitizing their hands, social distancing and keeping their hands, feet and other objects to themselves. If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact our school nurse, Mrs. Mundy.

Thank you for partnering in your child's education! Be safe and let's make it a great River Ridge Week!

1/15/21

Monday, January 18th there will be no school in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Take this opportunity to give back and do something kind for someone else.

The 2021-22 course selection and articulation process will be beginning very soon at RRMS. Please visit our website and social media for a preview of the advanced courses of study and elective programs for the upcoming year. We have several new courses offerings that align with student interest areas. If you would like to apply to the high school's New Teaching Academy as an incoming 7th-9th grader or the Engineering Academy as an incoming 8th or 9th grader, please visit the River Ridge High School's website to complete an [academy application](#) as soon as possible.

We want to be sure you are aware of the new Pasco Pathways School Choice and Magnet application process window which will be from January 7th through January 21st. If you are in 8th grade and are interested in Cambridge, IB, K-Tech, or are currently on school choice at River Ridge Middle School and would like the opportunity to continue at River Ridge High School, you will need to apply during this window. If you are a current River Ridge Middle School family who will be rezoned next year due to the opening of Starkey K-8, please make sure to

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The RRMS PBIS School Store will be open online through the PBIS Rewards app on Monday and Tuesday for students to use their Knight Dollars to purchase from the store. Distribution day will be on Thursday during lunches for traditional students and in the front office for MSOL pick up.

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1/10/21

Good afternoon Royal Families,

Please make sure that you are screening your child every day for COVID symptoms and encouraging them to follow the Stay Safe protocols of wearing a mask (over their mouth and nose), washing/sanitizing their hands, social distancing and keeping their hands, feet and other objects to themselves.

This week students will be participating in Goal Setting for the quarter during Knight Time establishing academic and behavioral goals. Students will also be bringing home the NWEA MAP family report after reviewing and goal setting with in their ELA, Math and Science classes this week. These reports will help families assist students in areas of need in order to show

achievement growth and academic proficiency. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher.

On Wednesday, January 13th, we will have our first Early Release day of the year for students. We will be on a club activity schedule and the school day will end at 12:08PM. Bus routes will remain the same for students with the adjusted dismissal time. Car riders-please confirm your arrangements for Wednesday's dismissal. We will be on a special schedule which will include our first club day that day. Students have had several months to sign up for their clubs. Club lists are posted in the cafeteria and in the grade level hallways on Monday. They should wear appropriate clothing and bring items needed for their club. If there are any questions about clubs, please contact Mr. Astone or Ms. Cione in the front office.

Boys' Basketball Try Outs continue on Monday, January 11th and Tuesday, January 12th from 2:15PM-4PM in the MS gym. Please make sure that all of the athletic proper paperwork is completed prior to trying out. See Athletic Director Coach Brando for more information. Congratulations to those student-athletes who made the Girls' Soccer Team! The list is posted on our social media and website including the up to date schedule.

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1/4/2021

Royal Families,

Happy New Year, Royal Knights! I hope that everyone had a wonderful break spending time with family and friends. After two weeks off, we are so excited to welcome our Royal Knights back to second semester on Wednesday morning, January 6th.

Please make sure that you are screening your child every day for COVID symptoms and encouraging them to follow the Stay Safe protocols of wearing a mask (over their mouth and nose), washing/sanitizing their hands, social distancing and keeping their hands, feet and other objects to themselves. Before returning to campus, it is recommended to watch or review the RRMS Stay Safe Protocols and Procedures videos from the beginning of the year to remind everyone of campus safety expectations. These videos are located on our school website and will be pushed out to all students through myLearning announcements. We have been very fortunate at River Ridge to have had a low number of cases due to the support from our families and the work of our staff and students to follow the safety protocols. Please be mindful of not only actions in the school environment but also out in the community as we want to make sure that we limit the spread and keep everyone healthy and safe.

On Wednesday morning, students should check lists posted on the media center, cafeteria, and grade level hallways for their first period classes. Students may get "grab and go" free breakfast in the cafeteria but should report to the class listed as their first period as there have been some schedule changes for the new semester. There will be several adults with lists to help students navigate their classes. We would also like to share that free breakfast and lunch will be served to all students in the cafeteria for the rest of the school year.

We would like to congratulate our Boys' Soccer Team and Girls' JV and Varsity Basketball Teams for sweeping the first half of the Winter Sports season with Conference titles for two consecutive years. The second half of the season begins this week with tryouts for Girls' Soccer and Boys' JV and Varsity Basketball. Girls' Soccer Try Outs will be Wednesday, January 6th for 6th Graders, January 7th for 7th Graders, and January 8th for 8th Graders from 2:15PM-4PM at the middle school track. Boys' Basketball Try Outs begin on Thursday, January 7th from 2:15PM-4PM in the middle school gym and continue on Monday, January 11th and Tuesday, January 12th. Please make sure that all of the athletic proper paperwork is completed prior to trying out. See Athletic Director Coach Brando for more information.

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This new year provides an opportunity to refresh and reset for all of us and to take advantage of all of the ways to be engaged at RRMS by always showing our Knightly Values of Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be a Problem Solver.

Thank you for partnering in your child's education and looking forward to a Royal 2021!

12/13/20

There is one week left in the quarter and semester to finish ROYAL STRONG! We will be celebrating our final week of the RRMS December Season of Kindness with the Winter Spirit Week. This week will include dress up days, random acts of kindness, holiday fun and taking our learning to the next level by finishing quarter 2!

On Monday, the dress up day is Santa vs. Grinch: Pick a side and show your holiday flair. The School Store will also be open for holiday shopping on PBIS Rewards. Tuesday is Holiday Cheer Day... Bring out all of those holiday accessories... elf hats, socks, reindeer antlers, blinking lights, etc. Students will be able to write holiday cards to RRMS staff at lunches. On Wednesday, it's candy cane day! Dress in red and white or stripes! We will also have Elfie Selfies at lunch as well as elves hidden around campus for students to find to win prizes which will continue through Friday. Thursday is Ugly Sweater/Shirt day. Prizes in lunch and School Store item pick up at lunches. On Friday, don't be a Grinch, wear your River Ridge gear! There will be an "on track" incentive 7th period of watching a student selected holiday movie.

[Please select the link for the Winter Spirit Week 2020 flyer for more information.](#)

This is the final week for the NWEA MAP mid-year assessments through December 15th with a full schedule published on our website. These assessments help to guide instruction and are reported to the State of Florida by assessing student proficiency and progress in Math, ELA, Science and there will be a Civics practice as well. Progress results will be available in myStudent under testing history. If your child has not taken the NWEA MAP assessment for this round, please contact his/her teacher and set up a time as this information is crucial to your child's educational progress.

This week is also the district finals for all students who take a semester elective course: PE, Art, Engineering, Coding, Intro to A/V, Health, Intro to Dance, Music, Basic Theatre, etc. If your child is a MSOL student, there are special procedures that must be completed prior to taking the assessment this week. The information can be found on our website [under testing at this link.](#)

Last Friday, a letter was emailed to parents/guardians of students in mySchool Online, who are NOT making adequate progress according to the State of Florida Governor's Executive Order. In order for students to continue with mySchool Online, it is recommended that they meet the following district establish eligibility criteria:

- Grades of an A-C in all current English Language Arts (ELA), Math, Science, and Social Studies courses
- On-track for high school promotion
- NWEA MAP assessment proficiency in ELA & Math
- 85% attendance rate (in each course)

If you received this emailed notification and still planning for your child to continue in mySchool Online, you will need to by **December 18, 2020**, acknowledge in your myStudent Parent Portal account that you will continue in mySchool Online or Pasco eSchool or you will need to meet with a school staff member and acknowledge in writing that you have been notified that your child is NOT making adequate progress. [Click here for directions to submit the parent acknowledgement.](#)

The first half of the winter sports season concludes this week the Girls' B-Ball team plays at PRSMS on Monday and Tuesday at BPMS at 6PM. The Boys' Soccer team plays PRSMS at AHS on Tuesday at 6PM. All athletes may have 2 spectators attend the games. Thank you for supporting our amazing student-athletes! Try outs will be coming up for Girls' Soccer Wednesday, January 6th for 6th graders, Thursday, January 7th for 7th graders, and Friday, January 8th for 8th graders from 2:15PM-4PM at the middle school track. Boys' Basketball Try Outs will be Thursday, January 7th, Monday January 11th and Tuesday, January 12th from 2:15PM-4PM in the gym. Please make sure you have all paperwork completed and an up to date physical. See Coach Brando, Athletic Director, with any questions.

The Fine and Performing Arts Departments will hold their winter showcase on Tuesday, December 15th online at 6PM. This will include the recording of the Winter Concert and the Dance Showcase. Please go to our website and Facebook page for the Youtube link.

River Ridge gear and yearbooks make great holiday gifts! We have just replenished our supply of We Are Royal Hoodies and t-shirts for the holidays! They are available immediately at the front office or on the website and can be paid for online through Rycor. Hoodies are \$25, short sleeve t-shirts are \$10, and long sleeve shirts are \$15! Yearbook are available at www.yearbookforever.com for \$25 through December 31st. Don't miss out on the memories as we have sold out each year!

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Finally, we would like to wish all of the Royal Family a happy, safe, and healthy holidays. Students will return to start semester 2 on Wednesday, January 6th.

Thank you again for partnering with River Ridge in your child's education! We are Proud you are Royal!

12/6/2020

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On Monday evening at 6:30PM, the RRMS PTSA will hold their general meeting through Zoom. Please reach out by email to riverridgempsta@gmail.com in order to access the link. The PTSA is also calling for donations for the annual holiday teacher gift basket raffle. It can be gift cards, donated items large or small, anything to show appreciate for our awesome teachers and staff. Please send any items in to the school c/o Monica Stanton. We would love to have all items turned in by December 16th. There is a sign up genius on the Facebook page to designate items: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e084dada82dabff2-christmas>

Our winter sports teams are off to a great start! This week the Girls' B-Ball team plays at home on Monday vs. HMS and Wednesday vs. GMS at 6PM. The Boys' Soccer team plays HMS at home on Tuesday and GMS at home on Thursday at 6PM. All athletes may have 2 spectators attend the games. Tickets are being sold online through TicketSpicket.com. Thank you for your support!

Last week, we finished up the school-wide data chats with traditional students. 6th and 7th grade MSOL students will have their meetings through Zoom break out rooms this week to discuss academic progress. Take advantage of our tutoring opportunities... All students are welcome to get extra academic help after school from the high school NHS as we offer tutoring Tuesdays (Science, Social Studies, Math) and Thursdays (Language Arts & Math) in the media center from 2:15PM-3:15PM. NWEA mid-year assessments will begin this week through December 15th with a full schedule published on our website. These assessments help to guide instruction by assessing student proficiency and progress in Math, ELA, Science and there will be a Civics practice as well. Progress results will be available in myStudent under testing history.

This Wednesday we will be having a Knight Dollar event during Knight Time and Lunches where students can purchase an opportunity to decorate paint and swirl ornaments for 5 KD through the PBIS Rewards events. We are also excited about our upcoming Winter Spirit Week on December 14-18 which will be filled with dress up days, random acts of kindness, school store, and student recognition as we finish Royal Strong both in academics and by showing positive behavior.

Last but not least, we have just replenished our supply of We Are Royal Hoodies and t-shirts for the holidays! They are available immediately at the front office or on the website. Hoodies are \$25, short sleeve t-shirts are \$10, and long sleeve shirts are \$15! They make great holiday gifts! Thank you again for partnering with River Ridge in your child's education!

11/29/2020

I hope that everyone enjoyed the Thanksgiving holiday with family and friends. We are excited to get back and finish the final three weeks of the semester Royal Strong! We will be kicking off the Royal Culture of Caring Season of Kindness Calendar for the month of December. Each student will receive a calendar with daily acts of kindness and upcoming Royal Rewards incentive events. Be a part of spreading kindness, it goes along way!

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Our winter sports teams are off to a great start! Effective Monday, November 23rd, all athletic activities will be restricted to participating students and coaches only. Therefore, all athletic, fine arts, and extra-curricular event ticket sales will be suspended. All athletic events in District facilities (indoor and outdoor) will be closed to spectators until the local positivity rate drops below 5% for a rolling 7-day period. Thank you for your understanding and support. This week the Girls' Bball team plays BPMS on Wednesday away at 6PM. The Boys' Soccer team plays CLMS at home on Tuesday and BPMS at Fivay High School on Wednesday at 6PM.

This week School Counselors, Administrator, SSAP, and teachers will be finishing up meeting with all students individually to review their academic progress as well as to review quarter goals and to develop strategies for success. 6th graders will be this upcoming week through social studies classes. All students will receive a goal sheet with conference notes sent home for review. Take advantage of our tutoring opportunities... All students are welcome to get extra academic help after school from the high school NHS as we offer tutoring Tuesdays (Science, Social Studies, Math) and Thursdays (Language Arts & Math) in the media center from 2:15PM-3:15PM. NWEA mid-year assessments will begin this week through December 15th with a full schedule published on our website. These assessments help to guide instruction by assessing student proficiency and progress in Math, ELA, Science and there will be a Civics practice as well. Progress results will be available in myStudent under testing history.

Our PBIS Royal Merchant School Store will be open to students to purchase on Monday, November 30th and Tuesday, December 1st through the PBIS Rewards app. We will also have a holiday shop too! Distribution day will be on Thursday, December 3rd in lunch for traditional students and in the front office for MSOL students.

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11/15/2020

Thank you to everyone for the quick response this past week with the early release on Wednesday and hurricane day on Thursday. Everyone's efforts were much appreciated to make sure that everyone was safe. Due to the hurricane day, we have to add 4 minutes of instructional time to our bell schedule to avoid having to do an entire make up day next semester. We have chosen 1st period as this is the easiest for the most students as they are already in the classrooms at this time. The new start time for students is 7:26AM every day for the rest of the school year starting on Monday, November 16th.

I would like to commend our students, staff and families for continuing to take our COVID safety precautions seriously. As a weekly reminder, please make sure that you are screening your child every day for COVID symptoms and encouraging them to follow the Stay Safe protocols of wearing a mask (over their mouth and nose), washing/sanitizing their hands, social distancing and keeping their hands, feet and other objects to themselves. We have been very fortunate at River Ridge to have had a low number of cases due to the support from our families and the work of our staff and students to follow the safety protocols. Please be mindful of not only actions in the school environment but also out in the community as we want to make sure that we limit the spread.

This past two weeks we started our semester 1 Student Success Team meetings through 6th and 8th grade social studies and 7th grade sciences classes. School Counselors, Administrator, SSAP, and teachers will be meeting with all students individually to review their academic progress as well as to review quarter goals and to develop strategies for success. 7th graders will continue this upcoming week due to missing for the hurricane day and we will finish up with 6th grade after the Thanksgiving holiday. All students will receive a goal sheet with conference notes sent home for review. This past Friday, November 13th, quarter 2 progress reports were available to view. There are only 4 weeks left to finish Royal Strong for the semester! Take advantage of our tutoring opportunities... All students are welcome to get extra academic help after school from the high school NHS as we offer tutoring Tuesdays (Science, Social Studies, Math) and Thursdays (Language Arts & Math) in the media center from 2:15PM-3:15PM.

On Monday, November 16th, Pasco Schools will host the Pasco Pathways Expo event that will highlight the choices and innovative programs available in Pasco County for the 2021-22 school year. Pasco County Schools will host a virtual Expo style event on November 16th online from 5-8 p.m. Please visit the Pasco County Schools website for the Zoom link information.

School Picture Make Up day is Tuesday, November 17th from 7:30AM-10:30AM in the Media Center. MSOL students can come anytime during the time block.

This week in sports the girls' basketball travels to SSMS on Monday, plays CLMS at home on Wednesday and has a rescheduled away game at CHMS on Thursday. The JV games begin at 6PM with Varsity immediately following. The boys' soccer team starts their season on Tuesday at KTech playing CHMS and on Thursday away at JWMHS playing SSMS at 6PM. All River Ridge home tickets will be available electronically on TicketSpicket.com and the Pasco Schools clear bag policy applies. Please also check out the winter sports COVID safety protocols prior to attending any winter sports athletic event. Thank you for supporting all of our River Ridge student athletes. Go Knights!

This year we are offering all students the opportunity to join the NHD History Day Club which will meet after school on Mondays and Wednesdays and before school on Thursdays and Fridays with Social Studies teacher Mr. Huber to complete a National History Day project. Students will have the opportunity to research around the topic Communication in History and create an exhibit, website, or documentary as an individual or group and compete at the school and district history fair. There will be an informational Zoom on Wednesday, November 18th for parents and students with the Zoom link available on social media and the website. If you are interested, please contact Mr. Huber at phuber@pasco.k12.fl.us.

The RRMS Administration and PTSA would like to help show the RRMS staff how thankful we are for all that they do! We will be collecting frozen pizzas and two liter bottles of soda to send every staff member home with one on the Friday before Thanksgiving break. Please review the available slots posted on RRMS Facebook and RRMS PTSA Facebook pages and click on the button to sign up. Please drop frozen pizzas and soda two liters to the office any time before Thursday, November 19th. Let's send our amazing teachers off with a Thanksgiving pizza pie!

Finally, we would like to wish the Royal Family a Happy Thanksgiving! Schools will be closed on November 23-November 27. Please be safe and enjoy the holiday as we are truly grateful, thankful, and blessed to have you as part of the Royal Family!

11/8/20

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11/1/2020

Royal Families,

I hope that everyone remembered to turn their clocks back one hour this morning and enjoyed the extra hour of sleep! We have had a lot to celebrate last week as over 800 students earned A/B Honor or All As Honor Roll for the quarter and received "on track" bands and treats to recognize their success. We also had a great time building awareness through Red Ribbon Week activities! The year is really moving along as it is already November and almost half way through the second quarter. Even though there have been challenges this year, we have so much to be thankful for. On that note, we will be focusing on and practicing the character theme of gratitude this month with Thankful Thursdays and other community outreach activities.

This week starts our semester 1 Student Success Team meetings through 6th and 8th grade social studies and 7th grade sciences classes. School Counselors, Administrator, SSAP, and teachers will be meeting with all students individually to review their academic progress as well as to review quarter goals and to develop strategies for success. 8th grade begins this week, with 7th grade the following week, and finishing up with 6th grade before the Thanksgiving holiday. All students are welcome to get extra academic help after school from the high school NHS as we offer tutoring Tuesdays (Science, Social Studies, Math) and Thursdays (Language Arts & Math) in the media center from 2:15PM-3:15PM.

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming Pasco Pathways Expo event that will highlight the choices and innovative programs available in Pasco County for the 2021-22 school year. Pasco County Schools will host a virtual Expo style event on November 16th online from 5-8 p.m. All secondary schools in the designated area will be represented at the Expo as well as select elementary schools. River Ridge Middle School will be represented at the Expo. For registration information please visit the Pasco County Schools website at www.pasco.k12.fl.us/expo. In addition to the Expos, we want to be sure you are aware of the new School Choice and Magnet application process as well as the new choice window will be in January. If you are in 8th grade and are interested in Cambridge, IB, K-Tech, or are currently on school choice at River Ridge

Middle School and would like the opportunity to continue at River Ridge High School, you will need to apply during this window. If you are a current River Ridge Middle School family who may be rezoned next year due to the opening of Starkey K-8, please make sure to read the FAQ document on the district website: <http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us/planning/page/rezoning/>. All current 7th graders who will be 8th graders in the 21-22 school year will remain at RRMS and those 6th graders who will be 7th graders in the 21-22 school year who wish to stay at RRMS may apply for school choice with special transportation. If you have any questions, please review the rezoning information page on the district website.

The fall sports season comes to a close this week with the football team traveling to Anclote High School to play PRSMS at 6:30PM on Tuesday, November 3rd. We would also like to congratulate and wish the girls' basketball and boys' soccer teams a strong start to the winter season which begins in mid-November. All River Ridge home tickets will be available electronically on TicketSpicket.com.

I would like to commend our students, staff and families for continuing to take our COVID safety precautions seriously. As a weekly reminder, please make sure that you are screening your child every day for COVID symptoms and encouraging them to follow the Stay Safe protocols of wearing a mask (over their mouth and nose), washing/sanitizing their hands, social distancing and keeping their hands, feet and other objects to themselves.

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10/25/2020

We had a great week starting the second quarter! This week is our Red Ribbon Week with the theme of Be Happy. Be Brave. Royal Knights, Be Drug Free. This week is a call to action to speak out in support of healthy choices. The theme is also a reminder that by staying drug free, you are sending a message to yourself and others about how much you value yourself, your overall health, your community and your future. Each day we will have positive dress up days, a door decorating contest, poster contest, and opportunities for students to sign the drug free pledge. Monday is Rally in Red Day - students should wear red. Tuesday is Future Career and College Day - think of all you could be when you are drug free. Wednesday is Superhero Day - show your bravery and stand up against drugs!

We will also be sponsoring a Knight Dollar event on Wednesday that students can use their Knight Dollars to decorate pumpkins during their Knight Time and lunch. Students can purchase tickets through PBIS Rewards events.

Thursday is Say "PEACE-Out" to Drugs - with a tie dye and neon day! Finally, Friday is Say Book to Drugs! Students can wear their school-appropriate Halloween costumes with no full-

face masks or props. All dress up needs to follow Pasco County Schools dress code and mask policies.

[Red Ribbon Week 2020](#) flyer

We appreciate the continued patience and support of our families with teachers and staff learning this new way of work with educating our students in both traditional and mySchool Online. It is crucial that parents have an active myStudent Parent Portal account and myLearning Parent account to make sure to monitor student's grades and attendance regularly. The official and most accurate grades are housed in the myStudent portal. It is crucial that all students complete work in a timely manner and take advantage of the Second Chance Learning Opportunities that are provided to ensure success. As an important reminder, all students must earn a D or higher in all core classes, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts to be promoted to high school. If you have a question about grades or missing assignments, please contact the classroom teacher by email located on our RRMS website under Contacts or through myStudent. If you would like to request a parent teacher conference by Zoom, please click the schedule conference button on our RRMS website. Report Cards will be available on myStudent on Tuesday, October 27th, please review your child's progress regularly. "On track" bands will be distributed during lunches this week to all students who have earned As, Bs, and Cs and had no referrals for first quarter.

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All MySchool Online students/families will need to come to school's front office from 7:30AM-4PM through October 28th to pick up new math workbooks for the upcoming quarter except Algebra and those students who are in Accelerated 6th and 7th Grade Science. These materials are essential for students to complete their assignments for this upcoming quarter.

This week in sports we have a home football game versus GMS at 6:30PM on Tuesday, October 27th. This is our parent recognition night for football, cheer, dance, and 8th grade band students, which will begin at 5:45PM. Please complete the RSVP link on our website or Facebook page by Monday, October 26th at 3PM. Tickets can be purchased on TicketSpicket.com prior to entering. We have Boys' Soccer Try Outs separated by grade level for the first round: October 27th: 6th Grade, October 28th: 7th Grade, October 29th: 8th Grade with October 30th being final call backs. If you are trying out for basketball or soccer, you must have your paperwork completed and notarized. All paperwork can be found under Athletics on the RRMS website.

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10/18/2020

We had a great Spirit Week last week with dress up days, daily virtual pep rallies to recognize our fall sports and band, and finished out the week with virtual games. There is no school on Monday, October 19th as this is a teacher planning day. The second quarter begins on Tuesday, October 20th. Let's continue the momentum as we begin the second quarter of the year.

We appreciate the continued patience and support of our families with teachers and staff learning this new way of work with educating our students in both traditional and mySchool Online. It is crucial that parents have an active myStudent Parent Portal account and myLearning Parent account to make sure to monitor student's grades and attendance regularly. It is crucial that all students complete work in a timely manner and take advantage of the Second Chance Learning Opportunities that are provided to ensure success. As an important reminder, all students must earn a D or higher in all core classes, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts to be promoted to high school. If you have a question about grades or missing assignments, please contact the classroom teacher by email located on our RRMS website under Contacts or through myStudent. If you would like to request a parent teacher conference by Zoom, please click the schedule conference button on our RRMS website.

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This week in sports we have a home football game versus HMS at 6:30PM on Wednesday, October 21st. Tickets can be purchased on TicketSpicket.com prior to entering. Tryouts for JV and Varsity Girls' Basketball will be on October 21st-23rd from 2:15PM-4PM in the gym. The following week we will have Boys' Soccer Try Outs separated by grade level for the first round: October 27th: 6th Grade, October 28th: 7th Grade, October 29th: 8th Grade with October 30th being final call backs. If you are trying out for basketball or soccer, you must have your paperwork completed and notarized. All paperwork can be found under Athletics on the RRMS website.

Show your Royal appreciation for our amazing RRMS Faculty and Staff by giving them a well-deserved shout out on our RRMS website link! Shout outs will be collected and shared as part of our new Staff of the Week recognition. It only takes a minute to let someone know they made a positive impact!

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10/11/2020

As we start the last week of first quarter, we appreciate the continued patience and support of our families with teachers and staff learning this new way of work with educating our students in both traditional and mySchool Online. As a weekly reminder, please make sure that you are screening your child every day for COVID symptoms and encouraging them to follow the Stay Safe protocols of wearing a mask (over their mouth and nose), washing/sanitizing their hands, social distancing and keeping their hands, feet and other objects to themselves.

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We will be kicking off River Ridge Homecoming Spirit Week this week with the theme There's no place like Home... we encourage everyone both traditional and online to participate to earn points for your class to determine who is the most spirited at River Ridge. Who will win the Fall Spirit Stick, 6th, 7th, or 8th grade?

Monday is Home Run - Sports Day. Tuesday is Homies Day - Match your Friends. Wednesday is Home Away from Home - Tourist Day. Thursday is Make Yourself @ Home - PJ Day. Friday is There is no place like home - Spirit Day. We will also be putting together a virtual pep rally to be shared throughout the week to recognize our fall sports athletes, games, and to show our class and royal spirit. On Wednesday, we will be hosting a Knight Dollar event where students will be able to tie dye masks during Knight Time. Students can purchase their tickets in the PBIS Rewards app School Store.

Our yearbook staff is looking for the RRMS community to help out with photos this year. Did you attend an RRMS event? Do something exciting in one of your classes? Take a picture with friends at lunch? Send them to us and they might be used in the yearbook. We will also be holding a SNAP BINGO contest for photos entered during this week's SPIRIT WEEK.

To upload your photos, go to:

<https://wpcgo.yearbookforever.com/zko3S>

ACCESS CODE: weareroyal

A text box will be provided to enter your name and any other information about the picture. Please enter your first and last name so that if needed, we can contact you for more information.

Students have the opportunity to earn points for their class towards the Spirit competition based on photos uploaded.

This week in sports the volleyball team is home vs. GMS on Monday at 6PM. Please purchase your tickets through TicketSpicket.com. They travel to finish their season to PRSMS on Wednesday at 6PM. Good luck, Lady Knights, finish your season strong! On Tuesday, the football team travels to BPMS which will be played at FHS at 6:30PM. You can purchase your tickets for the game on TicketSpicket.com just look for BPMS.

Tryouts for JV and Varsity Girls' Basketball will be on October 21st-23rd from 2:15PM-4PM in the gym. The following week we will have Boys' Soccer Try Outs separated by grade level for the first round: October 27th: 6th Grade, October 28th: 7th Grade, October 29th: 8th Grade with October 30th being final call backs. If you are trying out for basketball or soccer, you must have your paperwork completed and notarized. All paperwork can be found under Athletics on the RRMS website.

There will be a School Advisory Council meeting on Thursday, October 15th at 2:30PM by Zoom. The link will be sent out by email. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Astone.

RRMS PTSA is selling RRMS masks (\$10) and gaiters (\$15)! See Mrs. Stanton in guidance or come to the front desk to purchase. Contact riverridgemoptsa@gmail.com for requests or questions.

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There is only one week left of the quarter and we want to finish Royal Strong. As always, if you have any questions or need anything, don't hesitate to reach out to us. Thank you for partnering with us in your child's education! Let's make it another great week!

So proud you are Royal!

10/4/20

As a weekly reminder, please make sure that you are screening your child every day for COVID symptoms and encouraging them to follow the Stay Safe protocols of wearing a mask (over their mouth and nose), washing/sanitizing their hands, social distancing and keeping their hands, feet and other objects to themselves.

On Monday, October 5th, there will be free **flu shots** are available for traditional students who submit a flu consent form **from 7:30AM-9:30AM in the front office**. These forms were provided several weeks ago and are also available on the RRMS website. The flu forms must be submitted to Mrs. Mundy in the Clinic ASAP. Monday is also National Bullying Prevention Day. Wear blue in solidarity to stop out bullying.

On Tuesday, October 6th, the Royal Merchant School Store will open online through the PBISRewards app for students to purchase items with their Knight Dollars. Students earn Knight Dollars as part of our Positive Behavior Intervention Supports Royal Rewards Program for being Respectful, Responsible, and Problem Solvers. Students will be able to pick up their items on Thursday, October 8th at lunches for traditional and in the front office for MSO from 12:30PM-4PM. If you would like to donate items for the store, please let us know as we are looking for gift cards, school supplies, food items, and other knick knacks.

All interested 6th graders Student Council applications are available on the RRMS website and in myLearning. They are due by Wed., October 7th. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Brissey or Mrs. St. Aubin.

We would like to commend our River Ridge athletes and spectators for being a model in the district for following the Pasco Athletic event protocols. This week volleyball travels to BPMS on Monday (only 4 people are allowed by athlete for volleyball away games) and have a home game versus HMS on Wednesday both at 6:00PM. On Tuesday, the football and cheer teams have our home opener versus CLMS starting at 6:30PM.

At the River Ridge home games, please make sure to purchase your tickets through TicketSpicket.com prior to attending as tickets will not be sold at the gate. We are also offering an individual athletic pass for \$45 available on TicketSpicket.com, which will allow the person to come to all River Ridge Middle School home games for the entire year. Please also remember that you must wear a masks, need to social distance and can only bring in clear bags.

On Thursday, October 8th will be **School Picture Day** for both traditional and mySchool Online students. These will be the pictures in the yearbook. Traditional students will go during their English classes and MSO students will have a designated time to sign up on our website or in myLearning. MSO students photo appointments are from 2PM to 4PM in the gym. If you would like to order photos, ordering information is located on the RRMS website through Gigante Photography and pre-order is recommended as they will be mailed to your home.

On Friday, October 9th is Royal Knights wear pink for Breast Cancer Awareness Month! Please wear pink to support this great cause!

A few important upcoming events to put on your calendar:

We will be kicking off River Ridge Homecoming Spirit Week the Week of October 12th with the theme There's no place like Home...

Monday is Home Run - Sports Day. Tuesday is Homies Day - Match your Friends. Wednesday is Home Away from Home - Tourist Day. Thursday is Make Yourself @ Home - PJ Day. Friday is There is no place like home - Spirit Day. We will also be putting together a virtual pep rally to be shared throughout the week to recognize our fall sports athletes, games, and to show our class and royal spirit. We will be counting points for dress up, games, and participation throughout the week. Who will win the Fall Spirit Stick, 6th, 7th, or 8th grade?

There is only two weeks left of the quarter and we want to finish Royal Strong. As always, if you have any questions or need anything, don't hesitate to reach out to us. Thank you for partnering with us in your child's education! So proud you are Royal!

9/27/20

Good afternoon Royal Families,

As a Royal Family, we have so much to celebrate as we have come together to continue to meet challenges of the year with compassion, grace and understanding. We are so proud of how we truly are #BetterTogether! As a weekly reminder, please make sure that you are screening your child every day for COVID symptoms and encouraging them to follow the Stay Safe protocols of wearing a mask (over their mouth and nose), washing/sanitizing their hands, social distancing and keeping their hands, feet and other objects to themselves.

We would like to congratulate some very special Royal Knights! Our Teacher of the Year, Mrs. Darling and our SRP of the Year, Ms. Cione, who are both very deserving of these honors. We also recognized our September Students of the Month who were nominated by River Ridge staff. We visited their classrooms and Zoom rooms on Friday to recognize their accomplishments. The video of all of our Students of the Month are posted on our social media and website.

We would like to commend our River Ridge athletes and spectators for being a model in the district for following the Pasco Athletic event protocols as we started athletics last week with two wins by our volleyball teams. This week volleyball travels to SSMS on Monday (only 4 people are allowed by athlete for volleyball away games) and have a home game versus CLMS on Wednesday both at 6:00PM. On Tuesday, the football and cheer teams begin their season at SSMS played at JWMHS at 6:30PM. There will be limited capacity in the visitors stands so please get there early, wear your mask and bring only a clear bag.

At the River Ridge home games, please make sure to purchase your tickets through TicketSpicket.com prior to attending as tickets will not be sold at the gate. We are also offering an individual athletic pass for \$45 available on TicketSpicket.com, which will allow the person to come to all River Ridge Middle School home games for the entire year.

A few important upcoming events to put on your calendar:

On **Monday, September 28th**, the **Gallup Student Poll** will be available for **ALL** students to access the icon on their myPascoConnect dashboard. On Friday, in Social Studies classes (US History, Civics, and World History), we will be giving students time to take the survey. The survey will take about 10 minutes and is anonymous. Students have until October 26th to complete the brief survey. More information about the survey is available on the Pasco Schools website.

Free flu shots are available for traditional students who submit a flu consent form on **Monday, October 5th from 7:30AM-9:30AM**. These forms were provided several weeks ago and are also available on the RRMS website. The flu forms must be submitted to Mrs. Mundy in the Clinic ASAP.

On **Thursday, October 8th** will be **School Picture Day** for both traditional and mySchool Online students. These will be the pictures in the yearbook. Traditional students will go during their English classes and MSO students will have a designated time to sign up. The link will be advertised soon by the photographer for mySchool Online students through our social media and myLearning. If you would like to order photos, ordering information is located on the RRMS website through Gigante Photography.

As always, if you have any questions or need anything, don't hesitate to reach out to us. Thank you for partnering with us in your child's education! So proud you are Royal!

9/20/20

I would like to commend our students and families for following our Stay Safe protocols. Please remember to complete the self-screener every day before coming to school. It can be found on our website in the red header. If you do not feel well, please stay home. If you do have to miss school, please report your absence using the purple button on our website. I would also appreciate it if our parents and guardians could reinforce the importance of wearing a mask properly over their nose at all times including on the bus, during transitions, and in class. If a child needs a mask break, they should respectfully ask the teacher to step out for a minute. Finally, it is crucial to physically distance at least 6 feet where feasible, students should always keep their hands, feet and other objects to themselves especially in these critical times.

Parents and guardians, we also want to make sure you have created and or log into your parent account for my Student. It is important that you update your emergency contact information for the year. This is also how you can monitor your child's grades and attendance. Progress Reports were available on Friday. Take this opportunity to set up a plan of support if your student is struggling by reaching out to the grade level counselor and teachers through email, inbox in myLearning or Google Voice. All contact information is located on our website under Contact Us.

For our families who have students enrolled in mySchool Online, it is expected that you attend every class period every day (during your scheduled class period) through the zoom links that your teachers have posted in the announcement section of their course. Your grades and attendance will still be recorded and managed in myStudent, even though your teachers will be grading your work in myLearning. Please be sure your child is logging in with both their first and last name on their zoom calls. Student's must also have their camera on and be visible to the teacher to be counted as present the entire time unless otherwise directed. This is extremely important for accurate attendance. If students do not use their own name or turn on the camera, they will be removed from the Zoom meeting and marked absent.

We also want to remind students that the zooms are not optional as this is how the teacher takes attendance, class discussions occur and learning is facilitated. Failure to attend your scheduled zooms will result in you being marked absent from that period. Parents and Guardians, we also want to ask that you please refrain from joining your child in their zooms. If you need to speak to the teacher, please email them and they will set up a private time to speak with you. Moving forward, anyone who is not a student at RRMS who joins a student zoom will be muted and removed from that Zoom meeting. Overall, our students have done a good job with adhering to our mySchool Online expectations and we want them to continue to be successful!

We are excited for our fall sports season to kick off this week with Volleyball playing PRSMS at home on Monday at 6PM and away on Wednesday at CHMS at 6PM.

We will have limited seating at all athletic events. We will not sell tickets at the gates. All tickets must be purchased on TicketSpicket.com. The vendor has told us that River Ridge Middle School tickets should be available by Friday, September 18th. When we reach the new limited capacity there will be no more people allowed into the event. This will be the same at away events as well, tickets can be pre-ordered online using the vendor, and tickets will be limited for away volleyball games to only 4 tickets per athlete due to limited capacity in middle school gymnasiums.

When attending River Ridge events, masks are required and proper social distancing must be maintained. Please understand that while you may be alright sitting near people, others may not feel comfortable. Again, it is mandatory that you please wear a mask and agree to social distance. The clear bag and Pasco County's Patron Code of Conduct is also in effect and can be found on our website. Should you not believe in following these District policies please do not plan on attending.

After all games (home and away), parents and fans will not be allowed onto the field/court. We ask that parents and fans make plans to meet off campus after games. Parents driving athletes are asked to meet them at the car.

At away games, athletes will go straight to the bus after games. We ask that parents and friends respect this and have a plan to meet up after return to school. It is important to remember that schools are allowing sports to continue only if safety procedures can be maintained both on the field and in the stands. Please visit the RRMS website and social media pages for a fall sports information video and guidelines.

Yearbooks are on sale online at yearbookforever.com for \$25. Don't miss out on the memories while they last! We sell out every year and this is the lowest price.

Online applications for National Junior Honor Society for 7th and 8th graders only and Royal Ambassadors for students in all grades will be coming out this week on the RRMS website and will be posted on the myLearning announcements as well. These will be due by Monday, September 28th.

We will also be holding bus evacuation drills on Thursday morning. This may cause a bit of a traffic issues so we ask for your patience and understanding.

Finally, as a component of our Royal Rewards student and staff recognition, we would love for families to give shout outs to our deserving staff who are working so hard in these stressful times. We will be selecting Staff Members of the Week to highlight based off of the community shout outs that we receive through our social media and website. Check out our social media to see who received Staff Members of the Week. It's easy and takes only a minute to let someone know they are making a positive impact!

Thank you for partnering with us in your child's education! So Proud YOU ARE ROYAL!

9/15/20

Please remember to complete the self-screener every day before coming to school. If you do not feel well, please stay home. If you do have to miss school, please report your absence using the blue button on our website.

Parents and guardians, we also want to make sure you have created and or log into your parent account for my Student. It is important that you update your emergency contact information for the year. This is also how you can monitor your child's grades and attendance.

For our families who submitted either a change from the traditional setting to mySchool Online or vice versa, we continue to ask for your patience as requests are being processed in the order in which they were received. We are truly working as quickly as we can to accommodate these requests. At this time, we are no longer taking requests for changes from one learning model to the other. Families should now honor their request for the model their student is in now until the end of the quarter.

For our families who have students enrolled in mySchool Online, it is expected that you attend every class period every day (during your scheduled class period) through the zoom links that your teachers have posted in the announcement section of their course. Your grades and attendance will still be recorded and managed in myStudent, even though your teachers will be grading your work in myLearning. Please be sure your child is logging in with both their first and last name on their zoom calls. Student's must also have their camera on and be visible to the teacher to be counted as present the entire time unless otherwise directed. This is extremely important for accurate attendance. If students do not use their own name or turn on the camera, they will be removed from the Zoom meeting and marked absent.

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[RRMS mySchool Online Expectations](#)

9/13/20

Believe it or not, this week will mark the half way point in the first quarter as Progress Reports will be available on Friday in myStudent! I would like to commend all of our staff and students and thank our families for your support in making sure that everyone is staying safe and healthy while continuing our high levels of learning at RRMS.

6th graders will be taking NWEA Map assessment in ELA, Math, and Science this week and 7th graders in Civics in order to establish a baseline of learning and will take two additional progress assessments to measure growth in December and April. The parent letter with more information is available on the RRMS website.

Due to changes in the rules governing the federal school lunch program, Pasco Schools is making it easier than ever for students – and children 18 and under – to receive free meals. Starting on Monday, September 14, students who attend class on campus will still be able to get meals in the school cafeteria, and now those meals will be free. Due to the anticipated demand, we will be eliminating the breakfast in the courtyard in the morning and moving all breakfast Grab and Go pick up to the cafeteria. Students will need to head immediately to 1st period with their Grab and Go breakfast where they may eat their meal.

Also starting on Monday, September 14, students who attend school remotely will still be able to receive school meals on a drive-through basis. Those meals also will be free.

Here's how the program will work for students who are learning remotely through mySchool Online or Pasco eSchool:

Monday, September 14 through Thursday, September 17, the daily drive-through meal distribution will continue at the designated site time – and meals will now be free. River Ridge Middle and High School's designated times are 9AM-9:30AM in the high school bus loop.

On Friday, September 18, the school district will serve a week's worth of meals (breakfast and lunch) curbside to mySchool Online students, quarantined students, and children in the community 18 years and under. That includes Pasco e-School students. We will keep the same times already established for curbside feeding. Curbside meal distribution will continue once a week on Fridays.

We encourage families intending to participate curbside to complete the Meal Reservation Form so we can be best prepared for curbside participation at this

link: <http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us/fns/mform/view.php?id=269401>. Parent/guardians no longer have to go to their child's school; they can pick up meals from the site that is most convenient.

For more information on Pasco's school meal programs, visit the Food and Nutrition Services web page at: <https://connectplus.pasco.k12.fl.us/do/fns/>

Congratulations to all of our fall sports athletes! Practices begin this week at 2:15PM. Athletes must have their masks and own water bottle to participate. There will be parent meetings with in person and Zoom options this week. The coaches will provide more information.

Volleyball will be Tuesday, Sept. 15th at 4:15PM in the Cafeteria

Cheerleading will be Wednesday, Sept. 16th at 4PM in the Cafeteria

Football will be Thursday, Sept. 17th at 4:45PM in the Cafeteria

We are looking forward to a great season and have instituted some new procedures for our athletic events then in year's past.

We will have limited seating at all athletic events. We will not sell tickets at the gates. All tickets must be purchased on TicketSpicket.com. The vendor has told us that River Ridge Middle School tickets should be available by Friday, September 18th. When we reach the new limited capacity there will be no more people allowed into the event. This will be the same at away events as well, tickets can be pre-ordered online using the vendor, and tickets will be limited for away volleyball games to only 4 tickets per athlete due to limited capacity in middle school gymnasiums.

When attending River Ridge events, masks are required and proper social distancing must be maintained. Please understand that while you may be alright sitting near people, others may not feel comfortable. Again, it is mandatory that you please wear a mask and agree to social distance. The clear bag and Pasco County's Patron Code of Conduct is also in effect and can be found on our website. Should you not believe in following these District policies please do not plan on attending.

After all games (home and away), parents and fans will not be allowed onto the field/court. We ask that parents and fans make plans to meet off campus after games. Parents driving athletes are asked to meet them at the car.

At away games, athletes will go straight to the bus after games. We ask that parents and friends respect this and have a plan to meet up after return to school.

It is important to remember that schools are allowing sports to continue only if safety procedures can be maintained both on the field and in the stands.

Please visit the RRMS website and social media pages for a fall sports information video and guidelines.

There will be a required Active Threat Plan drill this week.

Online applications for National Junior Honor Society for 7th and 8th graders only and Royal Ambassadors for students in all grades will be coming out this week on the RRMS website and will be posted on the myLearning announcements as well. These will be due by Monday, September 28th.

Finally, as a component of our Royal Rewards student and staff recognition, we would love for families to give shout outs to our deserving staff who are working so hard in these stressful times. We will be selecting Staff Members of the Week to highlight based off of the community shout outs that we receive through our social media and website. It's easy and takes only a minute to let someone know they are making a positive impact!

Thank you for partnering with us in your child's education. Let's make it a great River Ridge week!

9/6/20

There is no school on Monday, September 7th in observance of Labor Day.

Students continues NWEA Map assessment in ELA, Math, and Science this week in 7th grade in order to establish a baseline of learning and will take two additional progress assessments to measure growth in December and April. The parent letter with more information is available on the RRMS website.

Fridays will be our Royal Spirit Days and this week we will be celebrating Patriot Day and the National Day of Service so make sure you wear your red, white, and blue this Friday. This Friday, September 11th is also the final day to make a change to your child's learning option for the foreseeable future due to a need to maintain instructional continuity for the quarter. If you would like to change your child's learning option, please visit the RRMS website and click the large black button that says Change Learning Option. You will receive a confirmation from the RRMS administration with directions for next steps. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

This week in athletics... Fall Sports tryouts will begin on Tuesday, September 8th through Thursday, September 10th with football and cheerleading going from 2:15PM-4PM/4:30PM. Volleyball try outs begin on Wednesday, September 9th through Friday, September 11th from 2:15PM-4PM. Please make sure that you have all athletic paperwork and an up to date physical completed prior to trying out. If you have any questions, please contact Coach Brando, our athletic director. Good luck!

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8/30/20

Good afternoon Royal Families. We had an absolutely fantastic first week with our students safely back on campus and at home online! The students are taking the Stay Safe protocols very seriously, wearing their masks, washing hands/sanitizing, and social distancing. For those students who are online, we thank you for your patience as we know there was some technology challenges. We are striving to make every day better!

This week in each class there were several informational videos that were shared and processed with students including the Student Code of Conduct, Safety Plan, Active Threat Plan, and the Castle Expectations video. These are all available on our website for students and their families to view for reference.

On Monday, August 31st, the learning options request window reopens to allow families to select if they wish to come back to traditional setting or to go to mySchool Online. There is a request form tab on our website that must be completed and approved by an administrator in order for a student to change learning options. This will take at least 24 hours. If you are interested in making a change, please complete the form as soon as possible.

Link: <https://rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/mform/view.php?id=58271>

On Monday evening at 6:30PM, the RRMS PTSA will be hosting a general assembly meeting by Zoom. Please contact the PTSA at riverridgemspta@gmail.com to access the link.

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8/23/20

Good afternoon Royal Knights. This is Mrs. Murphy, Principal of River Ridge Middle School. I am looking forward to welcoming back all of our Royal Knights tomorrow morning when school starts at 7:30AM. The campus will be open to students starting at 7:10AM. Before coming on campus daily, students should review and answer the Student Self Screener located on the RRMS website in the red header. Students who are car riders should only be dropped off and picked up in the middle school car loop. We ask that you be patient and courteous as there is usually a lot of traffic during the first few weeks. If at all possible, we are recommending that if your child is assigned a bus to please use the bus transportation as it limits the traffic. When students arrive on campus, they will be greeted by our Royal staff and should go to the media center and the grade level hallways to find their first period classes lists. Schedules will reopen in myStudent on Sunday evening. It is highly recommended that students take a picture of their schedule and make it a screensaver on their phone or print a copy. This school year students will go directly to their first period classes every morning as there is no congregating in the hallways or courtyards.

All students will receive new copies of their schedules in first period. Students should only follow the schedule they receive in first period as there have been some schedule changes.

Please make sure that you view the Welcome Back and Castle Expectations on our website prior to coming on campus as it will ease the transition back to school and make you aware of all of our new safety and health procedures.

For those students who are on mySchool Online, you should log into myLearning at 7:30AM every day following the regular bell schedule. Please check the announcements for Zoom links

and daily assignments. If you have a questions, please contact your teacher. For those families who have not picked up their mySchool Online materials, please do not come to the school during the school hours. We will have another pick up on Wednesday, August 26th from 4PM-6PM in the middle school car loop.

In the afternoon, the bus line up is posted on our website and will also be around campus so that students are aware which row their bus will be in at the middle school bus loop.

Finally, school supply lists are on the RRMS website and have been mailed/distributed to all families through Storm the Castle, mySchool pick up and the Back to School newsletter. All students are required to wear masks. We highly recommend that students also have their own personal hand sanitizer, water bottle as there will be no drinking from fountains only filling, earbuds, calculator, and bring your own electronic device either a computer or tablet to alleviate the need to share devices. Classroom supplies can be brought in through out the first week.

Please make sure that you are connected with River Ridge by visiting our website, following us on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter @rrmsroyalknight. Friday will be our Royal Spirit Day so make sure you wear your purple, black and silver to Rep the Ridge. As always, if you have any questions or need clarifications, please don't hesitate to contact us. I can't wait to see our Royal Family back on campus or virtually ready to make this the best year ever at River Ridge Middle School as we meet challenge with perseverance because We Are Better Together! So proud #WeAreRoyal!

8/16/2020

We are excited to welcome our students on Monday, August 24th for the first day of the 20-21 school year! It is very important that you review all of the information on our website regarding the River Ridge Middle School's ReOpening Plan to partner with us in an a collective effort for a successful reopening. Many things are going to look, feel and be different, but we are truly excited to welcome all of our Royal Knights back to the Castle (whether, it's in a traditional or virtual setting) because...We Are #BetterTogether!

School safety is a collective responsibility and it will take the efforts of all of our Royal students, staff and families to keep River Ridge clean and safe. It will be important for families to emphasize and **model healthy behaviors** at home and to talk to their students about changes to expect this school year (social distancing, face coverings, hand hygiene, etc.). Please review the 20-21 RRMS Castle Expectations video on our website and social media to better understand our "new normal" and the procedures that have been put in place to maintain a safe learning environment. We also have developed a [Collective Responsibility Plan](#) document and [RRMS Student Expectations Plan](#) document to provide additional information that is also located on our website and in the back to school newsletter that was mailed home and explanation of a student's day both on mySchool Online and Traditional.

On Monday of this week, we are excited to welcome our amazing staff back on campus to continue to prepare for the first day of school. On Wednesday, August 19th, we invite the returning 7th and 8th grade Royals to walk their schedules and pick up pre-paid items from

8AM-10AM for students with last names A-M and 10AM-12PM for students with last names M-Z. Schedules and Fees will only be available online prior to coming to campus. Please enter by the middle school front office. There will be maps available as well as tables for school nurse (TDaP Shot Records – 7th Grade), spirit wear, US History/Civics pick up, and PTSA set up in the courtyard. We are attempting a “touch-free” orientation day, please complete the “know before you go” steps listed on our website before coming on to campus for your designated event: Step 1: Create a myStudent Parent Portal account including updating emergency cards (this is especially crucial this year), Step 2: Pay School Fees, and Step 3: Print or Save Your Child's Schedule and Receipts to Pick Up Items.

On Friday, August 21st, we invite the mySchool Online students who missed last week's pick up or who need to pick up additional items to the MySchool Make Up Pick Up Day from 8AM-12PM in the RRMS Car Loop, no appointment needed. This will be the make up day to pick up materials and check out a computer (if previously reserved). These families should still go to myStudent Parent Portal to update contact info, pay fees and view the student schedule. The pick up is in the car loop as a drive thru distribution, post the student name in your front window, receipt ready and please stay in your vehicle. Please view the orientation video on the RRMS website prior to August 24th.

Finally, school supply lists are on the RRMS website and have been mailed/distributed to all families through Storm the Castle, mySchool pick up and the Back to School newsletter. All students are required to wear masks. We highly recommend that students also have their own personal hand sanitizer, water bottle as there will be no drinking from fountains only filling, earbuds, calculator, and bring your own electronic device either a computer or tablet to alleviate the need to share devices. The RRMS PTSA has also partnered with schooltoolbox.com, which will send all supplies directly to your house and the school receives a donation.

Please make sure to access our website and social media daily as there will be frequent updates that will ensure a safe and successful start to the year!

Thank you for partnering with River Ridge in your child's education! So Proud You are Royal!