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PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

We are excited to welcome our Royal Knights back to the River Ridge campus this year! Our school-wide theme this year is **SET THE ROYAL STANDARD. RAISE THE BAR!** We are committed to building strong relationships and doing whatever it takes to ensure students are loved, safe, and achieve success! As in the past, when things get tough and the unexpected happens, we will come together as a Royal Family, students, staff, and families, because our commitment is unmatched as the best middle school in all the land.

This year, we welcome parents, guardians, and community members to campus to volunteer in the classrooms, as mentors, at lunchtime, and at extra-curricular and after-school events. The home-school partnership is essential for student engagement and success. This newsletter is our first step to ensuring that families are informed and actively participate in their students' experiences. There is important information in this newsletter, so please review it. As always, please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or need clarification.

To promote the in-person academic and social engagement of our students while at school and at school-related activities, the district has established more specific expectations regarding the use of Wireless Communication Devices (WCDs) for the upcoming school year. Students who bring WCDs, including cellphones and wireless earbuds, must ensure that they remain in silent mode and completely out of view for the whole of the school day, including passing except for the student's lunch period or as expressly authorized by the classroom teacher for a specific instructional activity. These expectations also apply to extracurricular and co-curricular activities that occur before or after the school day. We anticipate this may be difficult for students but look forward to partnering with families to ensure learning is always at the forefront while at school.

We look forward to welcoming all 6th graders and new students to Storm the Castle on Thursday, July 27th from 8 AM-12 PM by RSVP appointment. There will also be an Open House – Meet the Teacher for returning 7th and 8th graders on Friday, August 4th from 8AM-12PM. These are great opportunities to start the new year off right!

Please connect with River Ridge by following us on social media, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and our school website. We want our families to be informed of all the Royal opportunities for campus involvement. We also encourage you to join our amazing PTSA, which supports our school through student incentives, community events, advocacy, and educational opportunities for parents/students.

Together, as a Royal Family, we look forward to providing a safe and engaging learning environment where our students will excel and have a fantastic year!

Angie Murphy, Principal

NOTE: This information is accurate as of 7.5.23 but may be subject to change. Please always check the RRMS website & social media for the most up-to-date information.

River Ridge Middle School ROYAL UPDATE

Be RESPECTFUL. Be RESPONSIBLE. Be A PROBLEM SOLVER.

STORM THE CASTLE & MEET THE TEACHER-OPEN HOUSE

JULY 27TH 8AM-12:00PM
6TH GRADE & NEW STUDENTS BY APPT. PLEASE RSVP
AT THIS LINK BY 7/22!



This event is intended to provide 6th graders and new Royal Knights with an orientation of the campus, review our school-wide expectations, meet teachers and staff, and ensure this is the best year yet!

There will be Parent Information sessions in the theater at 8:15AM, 9:00AM, 10:15AM, and 11:00AM to discuss transitioning to River Ridge Middle School and how you can set your student up for success. Then, you can complete the Conquer the Castle campus tour with interactive QR Codes to help you along the way to find your classrooms, meet your teachers, and other important places on campus. There will be plenty of Royal Knights along the way to help you!

We highly encourage families to visit myStudent Parent Portal to complete the emergency card, pay fees, and download the student schedule before coming to campus. We will also have opportunities for you to purchase River Ridge spirit items and PE/Dance uniforms online with pick up on this day. Please read the Know Before You Go section before attending the event.

AUGUST 4TH 8AM-12:00PM RETURNING 7TH & 8TH GRADERS

This event is intended for returning 7th and 8th Graders to walk their schedules and pick up any pre-purchased items. Schedules and Fees will only be available online before coming to campus. Please enter by the middle school front office. Maps will be available for the school nurse (TDaP Shot Records - 7th Grade), spirit wear, and PTSA. Staff will have QR Codes on their doors to introduce their class and themselves.

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River Ridge Middle School 2023 Orientation Days Information

All 6th graders & new students to RRMS...



Thursday, July 27th 8AM-12PM

RSVP for a 2-hour block by 7/21 at the link on the RRMS website or at the QR Code below.



This event is intended to help new Royals learn the lay of the land, meet administrators, counselors and teachers, and explore the exciting opportunities to get involved, stay connected, and safe in the new school year! Both students and parents are invited to attend the event together during the selected two-hour orientation window. **Before coming on campus, you should complete the 'Know Before You Go' steps in myStudent.**

You should start in the CAFETERIA where schedules will be available for new students only. You can also pick up all pre-purchased items like workbooks and spirit items. Each 6th grader and new student will be given a free RRMS spirit pack to welcome them to the castle at this time.

8:15AM, 9:00AM, 10:15AM, 11:00AM: Informational Meeting About the New Year/Transitioning to RRMS with Administration and Counselors: THEATER: Middle school is the most important time to stay connected to your child's progress as they transition with independence. Learn about the exciting opportunities and expectations at RRMS for the 2023-24 school year. This presentation will include how to stay connected and informed as a new Royal family, campus expectations, academic opportunities, clubs and sports participation requirements and more. Learn how to access myPascoConnect for online textbooks and other applications, myStudent to monitor grades and attendance, PBIS Rewards, which is our school-wide positive behavior incentive program and a variety of other digital communication tools. School counselors and administrators will be available at this session.

Conquer the Castle Interactive Campus Tour: After picking up your schedule/paying fees, etc. at the Welcome/Pick up in the CAFETERIA, walk the campus to see where classes will be and become familiar with the campus prior to the first day! This will help to ease those first day jitters by mapping the safest and fastest path to classes. There will be interactive QR Codes at each location introducing the staff and important details of the location. Find important locations like the front office, clinic, student services, cafeteria, media, and gymnasium. There will be plenty of Royal Knights to help you find your way!

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Please complete the "know before you go" steps listed below before coming on to campus for your designated event to ensure a stress-free orientation.

STEP 1: Create a myStudent Parent Portal

You can access your child's grades, view their schedule and stay connected in middle school by creating an account and ensuring your address and emergency contact information is up to date.

STEP 2: Pay School Fees

Go to: <https://www.studentquickpay.com/pasco>
You can pay school fees and also purchase yearbooks at a discounted price, join our Opt Out fundraiser, purchase PE uniforms, classroom workbooks, and River Ridge spirit items. **BRING YOUR RECEIPT WITH YOU!**

STEP 3: Print or Save Your Child's

Schedule & Print/Save Receipts to Pick Up Items

Log in to your parent portal to download and print your child's middle school class schedule. Bring it with you when you attend the event. You can use this to explore our campus on a self-guided tour, visit the sessions, and pick up your pre-purchased items. It is highly recommended that you print your schedule at home. There will be tables in the media center to pick up pre-purchased items only. **For incoming 6th graders and new students attending Storm the Castle, schedules will be available in the CAFETERIA but it is highly recommended that you pay fees and print your schedule prior to the event. For returning 7th and 8th graders, you will need to pay fees and print your schedule prior to the event.**

Returning 7th & 8th Graders Open House - Walk your Schedule & Pick Up Pre-Paid Items



Friday, August 4th 8AM-12PM

This event is intended for returning 7th and 8th Graders to walk their schedules and pick up any pre-purchased items. 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, and PTSA. Staff will have QR Codes on their doors to provide an introduction to their class and the new school year.

If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Martanovic, 6th Grade Assistant Principal, at kmartano@pasco.k12.fl.us.

SIGN UP FOR MYSTUDENT!

We are excited to offer the district's student information systems (SIS) myStudent to help parents and students check attendance and grades online. Attendance is posted and updated daily. Individual teachers update grades periodically. Their timeline for entering grades may be daily, weekly, or twice per grading period - depending on their course. Multiple students can be shown on one parent account, even if the students are attending different secondary schools within Pasco County. **All progress reports and report cards will only be available through myStudent. All COMMUNICATION will come through myStudent this school year.**



STAY CONNECTED THROUGH MYSTUDENT:

The myStudent App can be found by searching myStudent Pasco in each respective app store. Parents can log in to check grades, attendance, complete forms, and receive communications from Pasco Schools, RRMS, and individual teachers.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS & CLINIC INFO

Leah Janssen, School Nurse, Joanie Noe, Clinic Assistant

All Pasco County students are required to be fully immunized. Students who are missing required immunizations will be unable to receive their schedules on Storm the Castle/Open House Days. **Parents need to go on myStudent Parent Portal to complete the emergency card prior to Storm the Castle or Open House Day.**

Students are NOT allowed to carry ANY medications while at school. This includes prescription medications, over-the-counter medications, and medicines from health food stores. A student may carry an asthma inhaler with written permission from a doctor and a parent. All other medications that are scheduled to be administered during school hours MUST be stored in the clinic along with a signed parental form.

Healthy Student Program: Paperwork available on the website or in this newsletter. Please return to the clinic.

- Management of acute illness or injury and the administration of limited medications, following physician guidelines and protocols (i.e. ibuprofen, Tylenol, Motrin, Robitussin, Tums, and antifungal ointment, Benadryl, hydrocortisone, etc.).
- Observation and follow up re: communicable diseases (i.e. pink eye, ringworm, etc.).
- A health professional will communicate with you about your child's particular health findings that may require an evaluation, follow up or referral.

Questions about health requirements, medications, and other health services may be directed to our school nurse, Ms. Leah Janssen at ljanssen@pasco.k12.fl.us. Parents can make an appointment for the week of August 8th to drop off medications, etc. by contacting Ms. Noe at jnoe@pasco.k12.fl.us. All forms (parent permission to administer, medical management plans) are on the RRMS website under Clinic.

7th GRADE TDAP REQUIREMENT: All 7th graders must have their TDAP shot up to date and bring proof of vaccination prior to entering school. Florida Certification of Immunization (DH680 form) must be provided to the school nurse on August 4th and prior to the first day of school. **Students who do not have the TDAP may not start school. All Pasco County students are required to be fully immunized.**

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

School supply lists are posted on the RRMS website and included at the end of this newsletter. There is also the option of purchasing school supply boxes through www.schooltoolbox.com that will ship directly to your home. A portion of the proceeds from the School ToolBox supplies will come back to RRMS to be used for student and staff recognition. Students are HIGHLY RECOMMENDED to carry their own personal hand sanitizer, bring their own earbuds, calculator, water bottle and electronic device such as a laptop, tablet or iPad. Teachers will provide additional needs during the first week of school.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

There will be no schedule changes completed at Storm the Castle/Meet the Teacher-Open House on 8/4. You may make a request online only. The Assistant Principal for Scheduling and the guidance staff will review requests for schedule changes according to the following guidelines:

- Student has already taken the course;
- Student has not completed the prerequisite;
- Student needs the course to be promoted to high school.

Due to the Class Size Amendment, no other requests for schedule changes will be honored. If your scheduling request meets the above criteria, please visit the link on the RRMS website.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNIFORMS

Students taking Physical Education or Dance courses will be able to dress out and use the locker rooms this year. Locks can be purchased for \$9 on Rycor at Storm the Castle/Open House on July 27th and August 4th or the first week of school.

We recommend purchasing PE uniforms for \$12 shirts or shorts or a combo for \$20. Dance uniforms are available for purchase for \$30 for a shirt and leggings. These items will be available on July 27th and August 4th, and the first few weeks of school for purchase.

SAFETY DRILLS

Central to having a safe school is practicing emergency drills during the school day. Fire drills will be conducted during the first two weeks of school and monthly thereafter, in accordance with state law. A tornado drill will also be scheduled in September and again in the spring. An Active Threat Plan (ATP) drill is conducted each quarter. These drills allow staff and students to rehearse the procedures that may be needed in the event of an emergency situation.

ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued a final rule, 40 CFR Part 763, Asbestos Containing Material in Schools, commonly referred to as AHERA. This rule requires all Local Education Agencies (LEA's) to identify asbestos containing materials (ACM) in their school buildings and to take appropriate actions to control the release of asbestos fibers. All inspections for River Ridge Middle/High School have been completed and a Management Plan describing the results of the inspection and the action plan to control any asbestos found during the inspections, where applicable, has been submitted to the Governor for approval. Copies of this plan are located in the administrative office of the school and at the District School Board of Pasco County Maintenance/Facility Operations Department. The report is available for review upon request.

KNIGHT CAFÉ INFORMATION FREE & REDUCED LUNCH PROGRAM

Pam Midkiff, Cafeteria Manager
pmidkiff@pasco.k12.fl.us

Families are required to apply for the Free and Reduced Lunch Program yearly. Applications open online on July 1, 2023. Sign up online at: <https://www.schoollunchapp.com/District.aspx>

The federal Community Eligibility Program allows all students to receive a nutritious breakfast and lunch at no cost, regardless of family income.

Sign up to pay for A La Carte and additional food items online at www.myschoolbucks.com. Per FL SP 2.002 the Florida Competitive Foods Rule, there will be no outside food allowed in the cafeteria (including Uber Eats, Door Dash, etc.).

RRMS ATHLETICS

Chrissy Brando, Athletic Director cbrando@pasco.k12.fl.us

All middle school students may participate in the middle school athletic program. Students must have a valid physical form and submit it through the Athletic Clearance website before tryouts. Please visit the RRMS website under Athletics for all required paperwork. Upon making the team, the following athletic participation fees apply and must be paid within 3 days of making the team:

- **Athletic Participation Fee:** \$60 1st sport, \$40 2nd sport; Family cap per school \$150, Individual cap \$100

GOFAN.CO DIGITAL TICKETING

All athletic tickets must be purchased on GoFan.co. We will not sell tickets at the gates. All middle school sports tickets will be \$5.

For each game, if you have purchased a season pass on GoFan.co, you will be guaranteed admission to all HOME athletic events. This All-Access Pass entitles the holder to claim a single ticket for each River Ridge home game for the 2023-24 season. **This pass is not valid for FHSAA State Series events. Season passes are \$60.

Free Admission passes (PCSB Employees, FHSAA passes) – We will hold back a limited number of tickets up until game time. Under-school-age children will still be let in free with parents (up to capacity).

FALL SPORTS TRYOUTS

Students must have the complete athletic packet filled out and Notarized, including an up-to-date physical, and ALL paperwork must be uploaded in the Athletic Clearance to participate in tryouts.

FOOTBALL: Head Coach Jeff Koos – meet at boys' locker room August 10-14 1:30PM-4PM

CHEERLEADING: Head Coach Lynn Vairo – meet in Dance Room August 14-16 1:30PM-3:30PM

VOLLEYBALL: Head Coaches Chrissy Brando (Varsity), Ed Coller (JV) Meet at girls' locker room August 16 6th & 7th Grade; August 17-18 8th Grade & Callbacks 1:30PM-3:30PM

VOLLEYBALL SCHEDULE

- September 11 @ Hudson Academy
- September 13 vs. SRK8 (Home)
- September 18 vs. CHMS
- September 20 vs. SSMS
- September 25 @ GMS
- September 27 vs. PRSMS
- October 2 @ BPMS
- October 4 @ CLMS
JV begins at 6PM, Varsity immediately following.

FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

- September 6 @ Hudson Academy (HHS)
- September 12 vs. SRK8 (HOME)
- September 19 vs. CHMS (HOME)
- September 26 vs. SSMS (HOME)
- October 3 @ GMS (GHS)
- October 10 vs. PRSMS (HOME) – Parent Night/Pink Out
- October 18 @ BPMS (FHS)
- October 24 @ CLMS (HHS)
Games begin at 6:30PM.

RIVER RIDGE COMMUNITY NIGHT River Ridge Middle and High School will be hosting a community night at one of the high school Varsity football game. At this game, the middle school band, cheerleaders, volleyball teams and football team will be recognized. We are excited to celebrate our amazing River Ridge community!

SECURITY

BAG PROCEDURE

Only bags that are clear plastic and/or vinyl, Ziploc bags, small clutch-type purses no larger than 4 inches by 6 inches, diaper bags, and medically necessary items are permitted inside an event venue. No other bags of ANY kind are permitted, except for properly credentialed school and professional photographers' camera bags.

ALL BAGS ARE SUBJECT TO SEARCH UPON ENTRY.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

• Firearms, weapons of any kind, knives	• Pets (exceptions will be made for service animals)
• Any item that could be used as a missile	• Sticks/poles/camera "selfie" sticks/extenders or gimbals
• Fireworks	• Unmanned Aircraft Systems/drones and radio controlled model aircraft
• Aerosol cans (pump and spray bug spray and sunscreen are allowed)	• Food and drinks not purchased at the venue (sealed non-alcoholic beverages are allowed to be brought in by ticketed ADULTS only).
• Coolers, glass	
• Recreational balls, horns, lasers	
• Camera, computer, binoculars cases	
• Illegal drugs, alcoholic beverages of any kind	

PATRON CODE OF CONDUCT

Students are expected to abide by the Pasco County Schools Student Code of Conduct. When attending a game, you are required to refrain from the following behaviors:

1. Behavior that is unruly, disruptive or illegal in nature
2. Intoxication or other signs of alcohol impairment that results in irresponsible behavior
3. Foul or abusive language or obscene gestures
4. Interference with the progress of the game (including throwing objects onto the field)
5. Failing to follow instructions of school officials
6. Verbal or physical harassment of opposing team fans

Event patrons are responsible for their conduct as well as the conduct of their guests. Event patrons and guests who violate these provisions will be subject to ejection without refund and loss of ticket privileges for future games.

No re-entry if a patron leaves, and no entry or ticket sales after 3/4 of any event has expired.

Thank you for your cooperation

JOIN THE RRMS PTSA!

WHAT IS PTSA: PTSA is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit association that prides itself on being a powerful voice for all children, a relevant resource for families and communities, and a strong advocate for public education. Membership in PTSA is open to anyone who wants to be involved and make a difference for the education, health, and welfare of children and youth.

HOW DO I JOIN: Send in \$10 per adult and \$5 per student with a completed membership form which can be found on our website. All students will also receive a membership form over the summer, at Orientation, and during their first week of school.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS: Aside from being the brain behind PTSA events, you will also be the first to know about all school-related information and legislative efforts.

CONTACT US: RiverRidgeMSPTSA@gmail.com
<https://riverridgmsptsa.memberhub.store/>

2023-24 RRMS PTSA Executive Board

President: Ana Schaus

VP: Kari Glenn

Treasurer: Karen Fischer

Secretary: Jennifer Ferraz

Corresponding Secretary: Alicia Mumma

Teacher Liaison: Tara Fielding

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

Parents and community members can apply online to become an approved volunteer after July 1st. A new application must be completed each year. The application can be accessed on our district website <http://www.pasco.k12.fl.us> and must be renewed each year. The link is located on the main page, entitled "Volunteer Application." Volunteers are still subject to a state criminal background check and a sexual predator/offender check. Our school's volunteer coordinator, Sue Hammelman, can advise you of your approval status once you have submitted your application. You can contact her at shammelm@pasco.k12.fl.us or 774-7208.

MS PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

The state mandate (F.S. 1003.4156) requires that middle school students complete a Language Arts, Math, Science, & Social Studies course each year with a minimum grade of "D" as well as a career component to be promoted to high school (as a part of World History/Health class through myLearning). Middle School students must also sit for the State Civics Assessment.

DISTRICT REQUIRED MS ASSESSMENTS

District Finals: These finals will be given at the end of each year/semester for courses without state assessments. They will count as 10% of the student's semester grade. The testing window is the last two weeks of the semester.

State Assessments & EOCs: These assessments will take place in April and May to measure student progress and proficiency of the grade level standards.

- FAST ELA Reading/Writing 6-8 (3x per year)
- FAST Math 6-8, Algebra I EOC, Geometry EOC
- FCAT NGSSS Science Grade 8 (and students in Physical Science/Accl. Science Honors 7th Grade)
- Civics EOC – 30% of the student's year-long grade

OPT OUT FUNDRAISER

No Catalogs! No Order Forms! No Hassle! For a \$30 donation, you can opt out of the River Ridge Middle School Fundraiser this year. There is also a \$15 option for multiple students in one family. Simply fill out the form attached to the newsletter and pay with your school fees by cash, check or credit card during Storm the Castle/Meet the Teacher-Open House on 7/27 and 8/4. Your money will directly impact our student and staff incentive programs and technology. Your child will receive a River Ridge Middle School t-shirt. Your family can disregard all fundraiser communications and know that you have already done your part to help the school! Certain clubs, organizations or programs your child belongs to may still choose to hold a fundraiser to benefit their cause or other activities at school (ex. Band, FBLA, sports teams, PTSA, etc.).

YEARBOOK

Yearbooks will be on sale during the school's Storm the Castle/Open House through October 31st and will be available online or by contacting Ms. Baumaister at cbaumais@pasco.k12.fl.us for \$25. From November 1-December 31, the price will increase to \$30. From January – April 30, the price will increase to \$35. When the books arrive in May, the price will increase to \$40. We will also have a yearbook signing celebration exclusively for those students who purchased a yearbook in May. Yearbooks may be purchased online through Walsworth: www.yearbookforever.com. 8th Grade yearbook ads payment will be through Rycor for \$40.

BIRTHDAY SONG FUNDRAISER

Celebrate your child's birthday with a Birthday Song at lunch from the Administrative Team, balloons, confetti, and an ice cream treat. Complete the form in the front office and provide Mrs. Cace with \$5. All proceeds go to student and staff recognition.

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

River Ridge Middle School and River Ridge High School will be hosting joint School Advisory Council meetings for the 2023-24 school year. Meetings will be held the third Thursday of each month in the RRMS/HS Front Conference Room at 2:00PM. We are looking for parent and business/community partners to participate in this important committee. Those parents and business/community partners who were 22-23 members will also continue this upcoming year. If you wish not to continue, please contact Mrs. Sumrall at ksumrall@pasco.k12.fl.us. Nominations for the 2023-24 School Advisory Council will be taken through September 2. Nominations can be made by contacting Mrs. Krystal Sumrall at ksumrall@pasco.k12.fl.us. SAC Meeting Dates: 9/14, 10/19, 11/16, 12/14, 1/18, 2/15, 3/14, 4/18, 5/16 (only if needed)

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

If you would like to request a parent teacher conference, please go to the RRMS website, and click the Parent Tab>Parent Teacher Conference Requests to complete the request form. All Parent Teacher Conferences will be held virtually through TEAMS after school at 1:40PM on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. A Student Services team member will be in contact with arrangements.



SCHOOL POLICIES

BE RESPECTFUL. BE RESPONSIBLE. BE A PROBLEM SOLVER.

TARDY & ATTENDANCE POLICY



DRESS CODE

WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE

Cell phones
Smartphones
Smartwatches
Wireless Earbuds
Computers
Tablets or iPads
Other web-enabled devices of any type



WHAT IS A TARDY?

When a student is not physically inside the classroom door when the bell rings.

WHAT DO I DO IF I AM TARDY?

If it is at the beginning of the school day or you come late to school, immediately report to the front office. You will be issued a pass. If tardies and attendance become excessive, consequences may follow including but not limited to Lonely Lunch, After School Detention, etc.

WHERE IS THE DRESS CODE POLICY LOCATED?

On our RRMS website, in your planner, and posted throughout campus.

WHAT DO I DO IF I AM OUT OF DRESS CODE?

A staff member will send you to Student Services to log in for a Dress Code violation.

DOES DRESS CODE RESET?

Yes. Each quarter dress code resets.

WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES FOR DRESS CODE?

- 1) Warning & Change Clothes
- 2) Change Clothes, Parent Contact, Ineligible to participate in extracurricular activities
- 3) Each subsequent violation will result in student being required to change and serve ISS/ ineligible to participate in extracurricular activities.
- 4) Acts of defiance and argumentative behavior could result in more severe consequences, including OSS.

To help promote the in-person academic and social engagement of our students while at school and at school-related activities, the District has established the following expectations regarding the use of WCDs by students:

WHEN ARE WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICES PROHIBITED?

Possession of a WCD by a student at school during school hours and/or during extra-curricular activities is a privilege that may be forfeited by any student who fails to abide by the terms of this policy, or otherwise abuses this privilege. The use of any WCD in classrooms for non-educational related communications or purposes is prohibited. Using a WCD to capture or record/transmit pictures of others without their consent is prohibited. Using a WCD in locker rooms, shower facilities, or restrooms is prohibited. Using a WCD to capture or record/transmit/receive test information constituting fraud, theft, or academic dishonesty is prohibited.

WHEN CAN I USE A WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE?

Students who bring WCDs to school must ensure that they remain on silent mode and completely out of view for the whole of the school day including passing except for the student's lunch period or as expressly authorized by the classroom teacher for a specific instructional activity. These expectations also apply to extracurricular and co-curricular activities that occur before or after the school day.

CAN A STAFF MEMBER CONFISCATE MY WIRELESS COMMUNICATION DEVICE?

Yes. Refusing to hand over your WCD is defiance of authority. You will automatically receive a Discipline Referral and may result in OSS.

WHAT ARE THE CONSEQUENCES FOR INAPPROPRIATE USE OF A WCD?

- 1) Confiscation, student pick-up at the end of the period
- 2) Confiscation, student pick-up at the end of the day
- 3) Confiscation, parent/guardian pick-up
- 4) Confiscation, parent/guardian pick up, 3 days Lonely Lunch
- 5) Confiscation, parent/guardian pick up, Discipline Referral

*Note: Administration may create a check in, check out and/or WCD student behavior agreement that will limit/eliminate WCD use, if deemed necessary.



2023-2024 River Ridge Middle School DRESS CODE

In order to promote an orderly learning environment in our schools while preparing all students for later success in the world of work, the District School Board of Pasco County has established the following guidelines for student dress:

- ✓ The principal, or designee, shall determine the appropriateness of dress and appearance in accordance with the guidelines distributed by the school, school board policy and guidelines contained herein. The principal, or designee, will make the decision if a student's appearance meets school and community standards. The principal's decision on the appropriateness of dress is final as long as it does not contradict the official district policy listed herein or elsewhere.
- ✓ These guidelines are in effect while on any District School Board of Pasco County school or campus, at any school function or on any school-sponsored transportation.
- ✓ Students are prohibited from wearing clothing that exposes underwear or body parts in an indecent or vulgar manner or that disrupts the learning environment (F.S.1006.07).

These guidelines are in effect on any District School Board of Pasco County school or campus, at any school function or on any school-sponsored transportation.

- Students must wear clothing that has fabric in the front, back and on the sides (under the arms) and shoes.
- Shirts and dresses must have fabric in the front, back and on the sides (under the arms).
- Shirts must have straps and extend to the waist.
- Clothing must cover undergarments (this includes straps and waistbands).
- Fabric covering chests, genitals and buttocks must be opaque.
- Clothing must be suitable for all scheduled classroom activities including physical education, science labs, wood shop and other activities where unique hazards exist.
- Specialized courses may require specialized attire, such as sports uniforms or safety gear.

The following types of clothing, items, accessories and apparel are considered inappropriate for the school environment:

- Any clothing that exposes underwear, body parts and/or skin in an indecent or vulgar manner.
- Any clothing that substantially disrupts the school environment or causes safety concerns.
- Any clothing that depicts profanity, drugs or alcohol, violent images or vulgarity in any form.
- Any clothing that depicts sexually implicit or explicit images.
- Any clothing that depicts gang-related images, indicates gang affiliation or antisocial group affiliation.
- Wallet chains, spiked jewelry, dog collars or similar items.
- Slippers or similar shoes.
- Pajamas or costumes (unless approved by school administration for special events, etc.).
- Hats, bandanas, or head coverings (unless preapproved administratively for medical, religious reasons and/or for special school activities)

Wearing clothing or accessories that depict a firearm or weapon or express an opinion regarding a right guaranteed by the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution is not grounds for disciplinary action or referral to the criminal justice or juvenile justice system under this section or F.S. 1006.13.

Regulations Regarding the Wearing of Items and/or Clothing that Conceal Identity

- A student's identity must be readily recognizable by school staff at all times, during the school-day, or when the student is engaged in a school-sponsored activity.
- No items or clothing, or any combinations of such, may be worn in a manner that conceals the wearer's face. Face coverings such as ski masks, gas masks, Halloween masks, costume masks, ninja masks, pantyhose, full face masks, hoods (including hoods from sweatshirts or jackets commonly referred to as "hoodies") or other face coverings that obstruct a wearer's vision or face or identity are not allowed absent a legally protected right that has been approved in writing by the school's Principal or the District's Equity Officer.
- Students may utilize an appropriate face-covering (such as a medical mask, surgical mask, scarf, bandana, neck buff, and other items made of a suitable and safe material that will cover the wearer's nose and mouth and prevent or reduce the release of respiratory droplets from the wearer's mouth or nose) for the purposes of health-related concerns.
- Students must comply with the directive of all school staff members to remove any and all items or clothing set forth above so that the student's identity can be readily revealed and recognized. This would include the temporary removal of an appropriate face covering being utilized for health concerns so that a student's identity can be confirmed.
- During times of inclement weather, a Principal, may modify or suspend the application of these provisions when doing so is in the best interest of the student body's health, safety, and welfare.
- Failure to comply with the above policy and provisions may result in disciplinary action as detailed herein and/or elsewhere in district policy.

Students in violation of the dress code:

- Will be required to change into appropriate clothing, contacting the parent/guardian as needed.
- Students may be required to remain in the front office until the above condition is met per principal discretion.
- May receive a discipline referral and receive consequences as appropriate for repeated breaches of the policy.

First Offense: The student shall be given a verbal warning and the school principal or designee shall call the student's parent or guardian.

Second Offense: The student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period of time not to exceed 5 days and the school principal or designee shall meet with the student's parent or guardian.

Third or Repeated Offense: The student shall receive an in-school suspension for a period not to exceed 3 days, the student is ineligible to participate in any extracurricular activity for a period not to exceed 30 days, and the school principal or designee shall call the student's parent or guardian and send the parent or guardian a written letter regarding the student's in-school suspension and ineligibility to participate in extracurricular activities. (F.S. 1006.07, 1003.01)

Acts of defiance and argumentative behavior could result in more severe consequences, including OSS.



PBIS is a Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports

system that recognizes student behaviors identified as those leading to student success. Creating a school-wide PBIS system fosters a positive learning environment for all students and staff.

ROYAL KNIGHTS ALWAYS DISPLAY THE KNIGHTLY VALUES



ROYAL KNIGHTS LEARN TO EARN BY MAKING POSITIVE CHOICES!



River Ridge Middle School students can earn Knight Dollars (school currency) by meeting posted expectations in the classroom, in the cafeteria, in the commons area, the media center, and on the bus. Knight Dollars can be awarded by any staff member!



The RRMS school store is called the Royal Merchant Store and is open once a week in the cafeteria during each lunch period. Students use Knight Dollars for snacks, school supplies, school spirit gear, prizes, and special privileges. Students can ask their teachers about their classroom incentive store, and what the process is to make a purchase directly from a teacher.



Download the PBIS Rewards App for Students to keep track of your Knight Dollars! No device? No problem. Log in the website to track your Knight Dollars! <https://www.pbisrewards.com/>
Parents can download the PBIS Rewards App for Parents to stay up-to-date on your child's positive behaviors!
<https://student.pbisrewards.com/login.php>
<https://www.pbisrewards.com/about/parent-support-video/>



RIVER RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

ROYAL REWARDS

RESPECTFUL - RESPONSIBLE -
PROBLEM SOLVERS



What are Royal Rewards?



Royal Knights can earn Royal Rewards by being **RESPECTFUL**, by being **RESPONSIBLE**, **PROBLEM SOLVERS**! Students and Staff's actions school-wide will foster a positive and safe learning environment.

Knight Dollars in PBIS Rewards



River Ridge Middle School students can earn Knight Dollars (school currency) by meeting posted expectations in the classroom, in the cafeteria, in the commons area, the media center, and on the bus. Knight Dollars can be awarded in PBIS Rewards by any staff member! They can be used during lunches to...

Royal Merchant School Store

"On Track" Events

Students who are "On Track" each quarter with Cs or above and no referrals can earn "On Track" status to participate in Royal Rewards events. Students will receive an "On Track" Royal Scholar band for each quarter of eligibility.

**VIP Knight Events - Field Day -
Talent Show - Surprise "On Track" Treats**



Royal Recognition



- Good Knight Shield of Honor - Do the Right Thing DAILY and earn a positive referral from staff!
- Student of the Month Celebration
- Royal Staff Shout Outs Online from Students & Royal Families
- Teacher and SRP of the Month - Student Voice
- Honor Roll/All As Quarterly "Smart Cookies"

**Royal Knights learn to earn by making
positive choices!**

July 2023

NOTE: There is a change in the bell schedule this upcoming year. We will be on a rotating bell schedule with different time increments for each period per day. One period per day will be longer to provide for intervention time weekly.



River Ridge Middle School

2023-2024 Bell Schedule



MONDAY

1st Period: 7:10-8:21

2nd Period: 8:25-9:15

3rd Period: 9:19-10:09

4th Period:

6th & 7th Grade A Lunch 10:13-10:43

B Class 10:47-11:42

A Class 10:13-11:08

8th Grade B Lunch 11:12-11:42

5th Period: 11:46-12:36

6th Period: 12:40-1:30

TUESDAY

1st Period: 7:10-8:00

2nd Period: 8:04-9:15

3rd Period: 9:19-10:09

4th Period:

6th & 7th Grade A Lunch 10:13-10:43

B Class 10:47-11:42

A Class 10:13-11:08

8th Grade B Lunch 11:12-11:42

5th Period: 11:46-12:36

6th Period: 12:40-1:30

WEDNESDAY

1st Period: 7:10-8:00

2nd Period: 8:04-8:54

3rd Period: 8:58-10:09

4th Period:

6th & 7th Grade A Lunch 10:13-10:43

B Class 10:47-11:42

A Class 10:13-11:08

8th Grade B Lunch 11:12-11:42

5th Period: 11:46-12:36

6th Period: 12:40-1:30

THURSDAY

1st Period: 7:10-8:00

2nd Period: 8:04-8:54

3rd Period: 8:58-9:48

4th Period:

6th & 7th Grade A Lunch 9:52-10:22

B Class 10:26-11:21

A Class 9:52-10:47

8th Grade B Lunch 10:51-11:21

5th Period: 11:25-12:36

6th Period: 12:40-1:30



FRIDAY

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EARLY RELEASE DAYS

During the 2023-24 school year, Pasco County Schools will continue implementing a monthly, two-hour early release schedule. Early Release days will be on the following days: 9/6, 10/4, 11/1, 12/6, 1/10, 2/14, 3/13, 4/10. There will be no early release days in May. We will also run Enrichment Activity Schedule on these days. Students will select an area of interest for each semester to attend during this time. Early Release Days allow staff to engage in professional development aligned to student needs and district and school priorities. We are confident that this additional learning time for teachers will increase effective instruction and student achievement. Another benefit is that teachers will not have to complete professional development during student class time, decreasing the requirement for substitutes. Bus transportation will be provided two hours earlier than usual for students transported on regular school days. The same routes and stops will be used. School will be released at 11:30AM each early release day, and there will be no practice or after-school activities on these dates.

IMPORTANT RRMS DATES

****Dates & events are subject to change**

Storm the Castle for 6th & New RRMS Students – July 27
 Returning 7th & 8th Grader Open House Day – August 4
 First Day of School for Students – August 10
 State Progress Monitoring 1 – August 14 – Sept 1
 Student Town Hall Meetings – August 15-17
 Happy New Year School Dance – August 25 6PM-8PM
 School Pictures – August 29 (through ELA)
 PTSA Family Bingo Night – August 29 6PM
 Student of the Month – Sept 1
 Labor Day – No School – Sept 4
 Early Release – Sept 6 (Enrichment Day)
 Quarter 1 Progress Reports – September 8
 Step It Up Fall Fundraiser – September 13-September 30
 Start with Hello Week – September 18-22
 New Student Social – September 19
 6th Grade Math Night – September 21 6PM
 School Picture Make Up – September 26
 Student of the Month – Sept 29
 Early Release – October 4
 Homecoming Fall Spirit Week – October 2-6

IMPORTANT RRMS DATES

****Dates & events are subject to change**

RRMS Skate Night @ Spin Nations – October 5 (TBD)
 Fall Pep Rally – PM Activity – October 6
 Day of Awesome – October 10
 Last Day of Quarter 1 – October 13
 Teacher Planning Day – No School – October 16
 Red Ribbon Week – October 23-27
 Quarter 1 On Track Bands/Royal Rewards – October 24
 Quarter 1 Report Cards – October 24
 Halloween Dance – October 27 2:00PM – 4:00PM
 Student of the Month-October 27
 Early Release – November 1
 Student Data Chats- November 7-16
 Quarter 2 Progress Reports – November 10
 Thanksgiving Break – November 20-November 24
 State Progress Monitoring 2 – December 4 – January 27
 Student of the Month – December 1
 Physical Science Busch Gardens Physics Day Field Trip – December 1
 Winter Dance Showcase – December 3
 Early Release – December 6
 NASA Field Trip (8th Gr. Science, ACC. 7 Science) – December 8
 Winter Concert & Art/Design Showcase – December 14
 Winter Dance Showcase- December 16
 Winter Spirit Week – December 18-22
 District Finals Window – December 18-22
 Dodgathon – December 20
 Student of the Month – December 21
 Quarter 2 Ends – December 22
 Winter Break – December 24 – January 8
 Teacher Planning Day – No School – January 8
 Early Release – January 10
 MLK Jr. Day – No School – January 15
 Quarter 2 Report Cards – January 16
 On Track Royal Reward Quarter 2 – January 16
 PTSA Strawberry Fundraiser - January 16-February 2
 Winter Dance – January 19 6PM-8PM
 Celebrate Literacy Week – January 22-January 26
 Winter Pep Rally-January 26
 Student of the Month - January 30
 Quarter 3 Progress Reports – February 9
 Talent Show – February 9
 Kindness Week-February 12-16
 Early Release – February 14
 Middle School Preview Night for 24-25 – February 15
 President's Day – No School – February 19
 FAME Showcase – February 23 6PM
 Student of the Month – March 1
 Quarter 3 Ends – March 7
 Teacher Planning Day-
 March 8
 Early Release – March 13
 Quarter 3 Report Cards/Royal Rewards – March 15
 Spring Musical – March 15-16
 Spring Spirit Week-March 18-22
 Spring Pep Rally – PM Schedule-March 20
 Student of the Month – March 22
 PTSA Color Run- March 22
 Spring Break – March 25-29
 FAST Writing-April 1-5
 Early Release – April 10
 Spring Dance – April 12 2PM-4PM
 NJHS Inductions – April 17
 Quarter 4 Progress Reports – April 19
 5th Grade Prep Rally/Campus Tours – April 19
 Spring Student Data Chats – April 22-25
 Take Your Child to Work Day – April 25
 Student of the Month – April 25
 No School for Students & Staff – April 26
 Staff Appreciation Week – April 29 –May 3
 Gradventure @ Universal – May 3
 State Progress Monitoring 3 – May 1 – May 25
 Algebra 1, Geometry, Civics EOCs Windows – May 1-May 25
 NGSSS Science Grade 8 Window – May TBD
 Yearbook Signing Party – May TBD
 8th Grade Dance – May 10 6PM-9PM
 End of Year Dance Showcase – May 11
 District Finals Window – May 13-24
 8th Grade Night of Excellence Awards Ceremony – May 13 6PM
 Spring Concert – May 14 6PM
 RRMS Athletics Recognition Ceremony – May 16 6PM
 8th Grade Promotion Practice/8th Grade Video – May 20 7:30AM-11:30AM
 8th Grade Picnic – May 20 11:30AM-1:30PM
 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony – May 21 8:30AM RRMS/HS Stadium
 Celebration of Excellence – 6th & 7th Grade Awards Ceremony – May 24
 7th Grade Crowning Breakfast – May 25
 Last Day of School – May 25
 Teacher Planning – May 30-May 31



2023-2024 River Ridge MS School Supply List

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED FOR ALL STUDENTS:

- Personal Hand Sanitizer (Travel Size)
- Personal Water Bottle
- Earbuds that plug into a computer (not wireless)
- Personal Calculator – 6th Grade (one with basic functions) & 7th & 8th Grade (TI 30xa)
- An online or paper calendar/planner (6th grade will receive a complimentary school planner)
- Bring your own device (iPad, tablet, laptop) – may only be used with permission of the teacher or at lunch

ALL STUDENTS:

These items will be used in all classes in 6th, 7th, & 8th Grade.

- Colored pencils
- Highlighters
- Glue sticks
- Ruler
- Loose leaf paper
- #2 pencils
- Blue or Black Pens
- Red Pens
- Scissors
- Dry Erase Markers

6th GRADE

Language Arts

- 2 Composition notebooks
- 2 Folder with pockets and prongs

Math

- 1 in binder
- Folder
- Calculator with basic functions

Science

- 1 inch binder
- Tissues
- Clorox wipes
- **Accelerated:** Composition notebook, pocket folder with prongs

Social Studies: US History

- Folder

Research/Reading:

- 4 folders with pockets & prongs
- Composition notebook
- Sticky notes
- 1 package of index cards

Health:

- Spiral notebook
- 1 in 3 ringed binder

ELECTIVES

Spanish 1 & 2:

- 3 Subject Notebook
- Optional items: tissues, paper towels
- Spanish Workbook \$20 (purchase from RRMS)

7th GRADE

Language Arts

- 1" Binder
- Dividers (Pack of 5)
- 2 3-prong folder
- 1 1-subject spiral notebook
- 1 pkg. 3x5 index cards
- 3-5 pads of post-it notes

Math

- 1 folder
- 2 composition books
- 1 pack of graph paper
- Calculator- Texas Instruments TI-30Xa

Science

- 1 (1 ½ or 2 inches) 3—ringed binder
- Tab Divider Pages (for 3—ringed binder)
- 1 Homework Folder
- Hole Reinforcement Stickers for hole-punched papers
- **Accelerated:** Composition notebook, pocket folder with prongs

Social Studies: Civics

- 1-inch binder
- Ream of copy paper in lieu of notebook paper

8th GRADE

Language Arts

- 2 three-pronged pocket folders
- 1 pack of sticky notes
- 1 composition notebook

8th Grade/Algebra 1/Geometry:

- 1 in or 2 in binder
- Composition notebook
- 1 Ream of Copy Paper
- Scientific Calculator TI-30Xa (cell phone may not be used)
- Graph paper and compass (Geometry only)

Science

- Composition notebook
- 3-pronged plastic folder
- Dividers
- Roll of paper Towels OR Box of Tissues
- **Physical Science Honors:** Composition notebook, pocket folder with prongs

Social Studies: World History

- 1" binder
- 1-3 prong/2 pocket folders

Optional supplies that are appreciated by ALL teachers for the classroom:

- Ream of Copy Paper
- Dry Erase Markers for daily use
- Clorox wipes
- Baby wipes
- Hand Sanitizer
- Paper Towels
- Box of tissues

Please Note:

- RRMS does not have lockers so students will need to have a backpack to carry supplies.
- Families may purchase complete school supply kits through School Toolbox at www.schooltoolbox.com and it will be shipped directly to your home.
- Additional supplies may be required by your child's team of teachers.

Order online **today!**



Dear parents,

We are happy to announce that we have chosen to sell prepackaged school supplies for the next school year through School Tool Box.

Want to avoid the back-to-school rush?

- Put your zip code in the box at SchoolToolBox.com
- Find the school, then choose your child's new grade

Each supply box matches your teacher's approved list. You can add extras or remove what you don't need. After you pay online, supplies are shipped directly to your home address.

It doesn't get easier than that!



SCHOOL TOOL BOX
schooltoolbox.com
800-952-1119

Your order supports



One Box, One Meal

School Name:

River Ridge Middle School
New Port Richey, FL 34654

Ordering Available:

June 14th

6th Grade: \$71.33
7th Grade: \$80.76
8th Grade: \$68.71

Allow 10 days for processing.
Percent of the proceeds will go back to RRMS student and staff recognition.

Notes 

Scan here to view your school's boxes and place your order today!



July 2023

River Ridge Middle School



FUNDRAISER OPT OUT

WOULD YOU LIKE TO AVOID...

- BEING HASSLED WITH CATALOGS?
- ASKING FAMILY & FRIENDS TO BUY?
 - OVERPRICED ITEMS?
 - RECEIVING THE WRONG ITEM?
- CHEAP REWARDS FOR SELLING THE MOST?

ACT NOW.

Avoid all this inconvenience. For a \$30 donation, you can opt out of the River Ridge Middle School Fundraiser. Fill out the form below and pay with your school fees during Registration Day and/or return it to the school. Your money will directly impact our student and staff incentive programs and technology. Your child will receive a River Ridge Middle School T-shirt. Your family can choose if they like from here forward to disregard all fundraiser communications and know that you have already done your part to help the school! No Catalogs! No Order Forms!

Please fill out the form below and submit it when paying school fees, return it to school with cash, a check payable to River Ridge Middle School, or through the online credit card system.

Student Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

T-Shirt Size (Circle): Youth(Y)/Adult(A) S M L XL XXL

Have multiple students? Additional student opt-out (\$15 each):

Student Name: _____ Size: YS/AS YM/AM YL/AL XL XXL

Student Name: _____ Size: YS/AS YM/AM YL/AL XL XXL

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ cash ___ check ___ cc ___

*Certain clubs, organizations, or programs your child belongs to may still choose to hold a fundraiser to benefit their cause or other activities at school (ex. Band, FBLA, sports teams, PTSA, etc.). This opt-out only applies to RRMS School-wide Fundraisers.

HEALTHY STUDENT PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM 2023-2024

Dear Parent:

Your child is eligible for enrollment in the **Healthy Student Program**, available only at *selected schools* (only administered by clinic assistant or school nurse) in the district where there are extended nursing services. **Healthy Student Program** services are offered at no direct cost to you and all students are eligible, regardless of insurance.

The main purpose of the **Healthy Student Program** is to **improve school attendance** and to **reduce health problems** that occur during the school day. A student may be withdrawn from the **Healthy Student Program** at any time by the parent or the school health services staff with written notice.

The Healthy Student program is the commitment of the Pasco County School District and is intended as an effort to help students remain in school, ready to learn. Services available to students enrolled in the **Healthy Student Program** may include:

- **Management of acute illness or injury and the administration of limited medications**, following physician guidelines and protocols (i.e. ibuprofen, Tylenol, Motrin, Robitussin, Tums, and antifungal ointment, Benadryl, hydrocortisone, etc.).
- **Observation and follow up re: communicable diseases** (i.e. pink eye, ringworm, etc.).
- **A health professional will communicate with you** about your child's particular health findings that may require an evaluation, follow up or referral.
- **Physical Examinations** (ARNP services) for school entry, sports, etc. may be available at limited school sites.
- **Lab screenings** (hematocrit/hemoglobin, anemia, blood glucose, urinalysis, and pregnancy testing) may be available at limited school sites.

Please inform the school nurse of any newly diagnosed health conditions for your child or changes in health status during the school year.

The primary goal of school health services is to support academic success by maintaining the physical and mental wellbeing of your child.

TO ENROLL YOUR CHILD IN THE HEALTHY STUDENT PROGRAM:

- Please complete the application for Healthy Student Program Membership
- Be sure to complete "Student Medical History" section
- Parent signature is required below the "Enrollment Statement"
- Return completed form to the school clinic assistant or school nurse

All medical information remains confidential between you and the health services provider. Records are stored and maintained within the Health Office and are shared with no one as per HIPAA compliance. The Medical Director of the Pasco County Health Department provides oversight for this program.

APPLICATION FOR HEALTHY STUDENT PROGRAM MEMBERSHIP 2023-2024

Student Name _____ Sex ____ Grade ____ DOB _____
(Last, First, MI)

Student # _____ Home Address _____ Home Phone _____

PERSON TO BE CONTACTED IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

Parent Name	Place of Business	Business Phone	
Backup Person to be Called		Home Phone #	Cell Phone #

STUDENT MEDICAL HISTORY

List any ALLERGIES to Medications or Food: _____

List any SURGERY/HOSPITALIZATION: _____

List any CURRENT MEDICATIONS: _____

List any MEDICAL / HEALTH PROBLEMS: _____

FAMILY MEDICAL HISTORY: (Circle all that apply and indicate which family members have or have had the condition)

High Blood Pressure _____ Tuberculosis _____ Diabetes _____
Epilepsy _____ Sickle Cell _____ Cancer _____
Heart Problems _____ Asthma _____ Arthritis _____

Name of Family Physician _____ Phone _____

Name of Family Dentist _____ Phone _____

Date of Student's Last Physical Exam _____ Last Dental Exam _____

ENROLLMENT STATEMENT

We agree to enroll _____ in the Healthy Student Program. We understand that the program offers a limited range of HEALTH COUNSELING services on an as-needed basis. We further understand that these services DO NOT REPLACE the services of our family doctor. In case of accident or serious illness, the school policies outlined on the School's Emergency Information Card will be observed. We further understand that student information is confidential except in those instances when professionals are required by law to report child abuse, death threats, suicide risk, and public health concerns.

PAY FEES & PURCHASE SPIRIT ITEMS ONLINE!

23-24 MIDDLE SCHOOL FEES

Pasco County School Board Approved

To use Student Fees – Acorn/Rycor to make payments for your child(ren), you must first have an account set up in myStudent. If you do not have an account in myStudent, go to [PascoSchools.org](https://www.pascoschools.org), go to the Parents Tab, and select [Check Grades/Attendance](#) or Pay Fees. Once your account is established in myStudent, you will have an account ready the following day to be activated in Student Fees – Acorn/Rycor.

To activate your Parent Portal Account:

1. Go to <https://www.studentquickpay.com/pasco/>
2. Select “Activate Account”
3. Enter the email address associated with your myStudent account and select Send Email
4. This will generate an email to you to activate your account
5. Go to your email and select the link
6. Continue by creating your password and activating your account
7. Once this is completed, you will be able to see Fees and Other Items that can be purchased

General Fee	\$15
Art Fee	\$15
Band Program Fee	\$15
Chorus Program Fee	\$15
Career Technical Course Fees (per year)	\$10
Dance Fee	\$15
Instrument Tech & Instrument Ensemble	\$15
Physical Education Fee	\$5
Science Fees (per year)	\$10
Student Technology Service Fee	\$2
Theatre Fee	\$15
Spanish Workbook	\$20

SHOW YOUR ROYAL SPIRIT...

New t-shirts and RRMS Spirit items are available to purchase ONLINE before attending Storm the Castle on July 27th and Meet the Teacher-Open House on August 4th. We do accept credit cards through the Rycor accounts. Pick up items at the event or in the front office the first few weeks of school. Get yours today!

Sizes range from YM-Adult 2XL.

Short sleeve t-shirts \$15

Long sleeve t-shirts \$20

Hoodie Sweatshirts \$30

Plastic Sling Packs (Athletic Events) \$10 - Sling Packs \$5- Lanyards \$8 - Water Bottles \$8

Order online and pay through Rycor by accessing the Parent Portal Account:
<https://www.studentquickpay.com/pasco/>

EVERY FRIDAY IS ROYAL SPIRIT FRIDAY – WEAR YOUR RIVER RIDGE SWAG!



PARENTS,
SHOW YOUR
ROYAL
PRIDE
GET A
PROUD PARENT
KNIGHT
SHIRT!

LIMITED QUANTITIES

NEW ROYAL SPIRIT GEAR AVAILABLE!