

RILEY NEWSNOTES

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FROM
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CONKLING'S DESK

Inclement Weather



We still have quite a bit more winter to come and will likely experience some more adverse weather conditions. All students need to know what to do and where to go in the event of an emergency closing during the day. Being prepared is extremely important, as phone calls are not an option for us due to limited time and telephone lines. We will send out a call through our automated system if this would happen. We also do our best to keep the buses running on

schedule, but it is not unusual for buses to be delayed up to 10 minutes as they get farther into the route on bad weather days. They start out on schedule but slow travel due to slick or snow covered roads can quickly get a route behind schedule. Your patience on these days is greatly appreciated as we want to ensure that all students arrive to school and home safely.

Attendance

When we have school and a student does not come, their absence is considered unexcused unless it is for a confirmed medical excuse. Students do not have the option to jump into remote learning because they are home or away unless it has been approved for medical/covid absence. It may seem like an easy thing; however on our end it is not. There is a lot that goes into setting students up to be remote learners

and some of our classes do not have any remote learners. We cannot expect staff to completely change their class around for vacations or days students aren't here.

Automated Phone System

Please be sure to update the office of phone number change(s). This allows us to insure you are getting the emergency messages through our automated calling system.



If you are entering the building with your child or coming in for a school function all adults must sign in and fill out a visitors pass at the office. This includes coming into the building before school starts in the morning. Unfortunately, times are such that we need to know who is in the building for your safety as well as your child's.

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If there is a need to speak to a teacher, we also require you to check in at the office. We will ask the teacher when it will be a convenient time to meet with you. The time at school is very valuable both to your child and the teacher.

Appointments will be beneficial for both. Please, do not just pop in the classroom. It interrupts the daily lessons and takes away important instruction time from **all** students.

Parents may not go to the classroom without authorization from the office and teacher.



RILEY VIKING AWARD WINNERS



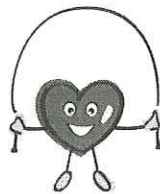
Viking award winners for the month of December were 8th Graders Kylee Jensen and Justin Zarate. At the January 20, 2021 meeting of the Board of

Education, these two students were recognized for their accomplishments.



Awesome!

Kids Heart Challenge: Heart Heroes



All grades will be participating to raise donations for the American Heart Association starting on February 14, 2021. All students will have a kickoff on February 14 during PE.

Why is this important? Heart disease is the nation's number one killer. Stroke is the fourth leading cause of death. Almost a third of U.S. children and adolescents between the ages of two and nineteen are overweight or obese. Children who are obese are more than twice as

likely to die before the age of 55. Sixty-one percent of children ages 9-13 aren't physically active outside of school. On average, American children and adolescents spend nearly four hours watching television every day. About 90% of Americans eat too much sodium. Don't forget this fundraiser also benefits the PE Department.

Online fundraising is available and super easy for the students to use. Students have already been given a "save the date" with the link for online registration in it. Students can also download the app to a smartphone to get their "heroes" to come alive.

We can't wait to share all of our class incentives with our students once we Kick-off!

Mrs. Mortimer, Mrs. McAllister & Mr. Rogers

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KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION FOR 2021/22



Kindergarten registration was held on Thursday, January 28, 2021. If you missed it or know of someone that has a kindergartner next year, please call the school office.



Marengo-Union School District #165 & Riley School District #18 – Preschool Program

**Screenings are now being
scheduled.**


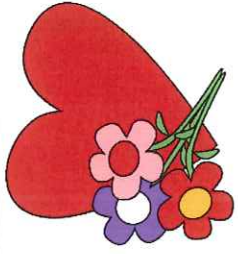
Marengo-Union School District #165 & Riley School District #18 are currently accepting screening appointments for their Preschool Program. Screenings are available in English and Spanish for children 2 years, nine months through 5 years of age. To schedule an appointment, please call Locust School, 815 568-7632.

The preschool program is a State of Illinois grant-funded joint initiative between Marengo-Union School District and Riley School District. It is housed at Locust Elementary School and eligible children are determined following a mandatory screening administered by Locust School staff. The program is a regular preschool program and is free of cost for those eligible. Transportation is included. The purpose of the grant-funded program is to provide a regular education, high quality, preschool program to qualifying families. The program meets Monday-Friday, either half day or full day. The full day program is intended to meet the needs of older preschool students getting ready for Kindergarten.



RILEY SCHOOL LUNCH MENU FEBRUARY 2021



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1. Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Baby carrots Fruit	2. Chicken Fajitas Cheese/Lettuce Vegetable Fruit	3. Breakfast Casserole Fruit Biscuit	4. Chicken Salad Wrap Vegetable Fruit	5. Hot Dog Vegetable Fruit
8. NO SCHOOL TEACHER INSTITUTE	9. Mostaccioli Vegetable Fruit Breadstick	10. French Toast Hashbrowns Fruit	11. Orange Chicken Rice Broccoli Fruit	12. Cheeseburger Vegetable Fruit
15.  NO SCHOOL	16. Soft Shell Taco Cheese/Lettuce Vegetable Fruit	17. Pancakes Hashbrowns Fruit	18. Lasagna Roll-Up Vegetable Fruit Dinner Roll	19. Round Cheese Pizza Vegetable Fruit
22. Chicken Stick Wrap Cheese/Lettuce Vegetable Fruit	23. Pepperoni Pizza Vegetable Fruit	24. Chicken Casserole Fruit Breadstick	25. Chicken Fajitas Cheese/Lettuce Vegetable Fruit	26. Quesadilla Vegetable Fruit
Choice of milk served daily with meals: 1% White Fat Free Chocolate Skim				LUNCH TICKET PRICES 20 DAY- \$61.00 5 DAY - \$15.25 20 DAY MILK - \$7.00

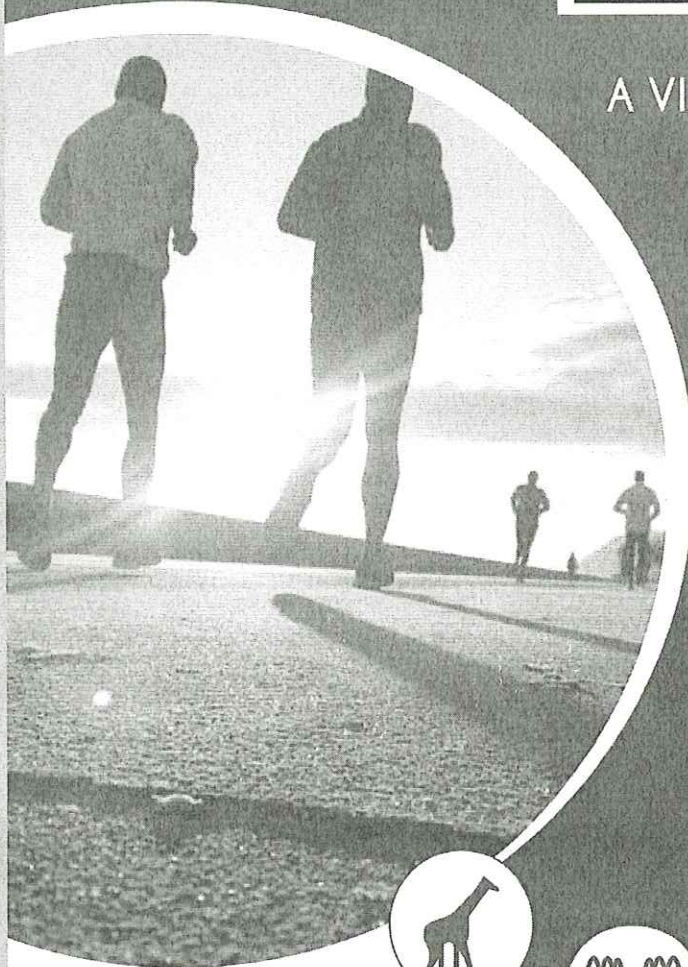
You Are Invited To Help!

APRIL 21 - MAY 9

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5k Redwood National Trail



1/2 Marathon Pike's Peak



9.5 Mile Bike Alaska

