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June 18, 2021

Dear Ridgefield Families,

The end of the school year is always an exciting time. While the summer break provides students and staff with a lot to look forward to, it's also the perfect time to take a moment to reflect on the school year. We've been through a lot this year, and I am so grateful and appreciative of the Ridgefield community for coming together in countless ways to support our students and our schools. Thank you all for helping to demonstrate what it means to be #RidgefieldResilient.

While the school year may be over, that doesn't mean that our schools are done offering services and learning opportunities to the community. In addition to our new Summer Learning Academy, there are many enrichment and learning offerings available from our Community Education department this summer. There is an Adventure Day Camp featuring various exciting weekly themes, QuickStart sports including baseball, basketball, soccer, flag football, and so much more. If you are interested in these opportunities, I encourage you to act quickly, as space is limited and activities often fill up fast. To see the full list of available offerings, be sure to <u>visit our Community Education website</u>, or if you're ready to register for an open class or join a waitlist, visit <u>ridge.revtrak.net/</u> and click on "Community Education" to get started.

Our Nutrition Services staff will also be providing free meals to any child up to age 18 through the Summer Meals program. Each Monday through Friday from 12:15 to 1 p.m., children or their guardians can get a free Grab-N-Go breakfast and lunch at the Sunset/View Ridge bus drop-off loop at 3215 S. Hillhurst Road. The Summer Meals program starts on Monday, June 21, and lasts until Friday, Aug. 20. Note that there is no meal service available on Monday, July 5, due to the 4th of July holiday. Five-day meal packages are also available for pickup each Monday. These meal packages must be ordered in advance and submitted no later than 8 a.m. each Monday using the Meal Package Order Form here. If you have any questions about the Summer Meals program, please contact Director of Dining Services Mike Lee at (360) 619-1360 or via email at mike.lee@ridgefieldsd.org.

Lastly, the Ridgefield Family Resource Center, or RFRC, is open this summer to support Ridgefield families. As always, families can also access the resource center's food pantry and personal hygiene items.

During the spring and summer months, the RFRC will also have an abundance of food to share from the Green Bag Project and other donors, along with some great produce from our local Gleaners Group. If you need additional resources, please call (360) 619-1412 or email christine.poppert@ridgefieldsd.org to make an appointment.

Thank you for your continued support of our schools. Stay well, have an amazing summer, and remain #RidgefieldResilient.

Sincerely,

Dr. Nathan McCann Superintendent