

Striving to Provide the Highest
Quality Education for the
Communities of
Carson, Macedonia, and
Oakland.

**Riverside Community School
Mission**

Statement

The mission of the Riverside Community School District is to prepare students to meet the challenges of the future as responsible citizens in a global society.

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Board Summary

* Dr. Tim Mitchell, Superintendent

712-484-2212 Central Office

*Mr. Jamie Meek, Pre-K-6 Principal

712-484-2212 Intermediate School

712-482-6296 Elementary School

* Mr. David Gute Jr.-Sr. HS Principal

712-482-6465 Jr.-Sr. High School

*Mr. Nick Bates Transportation Director

712-482-6215 Bus Garage

Regular School Board Meeting

3rd Monday of the Month

@ 7 PM

Intermediate School

Media Center

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Riverside Newsletter

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Riverside Allergy Awareness (Mr. Meek and Mrs. Palmer)

There have been some discussions about the expectations of food allergies at Riverside Schools. Here is what we consider when it comes to peanut/tree nut allergies.

1. All Riverside kitchens are peanut/tree nut free.
2. Any snacks sent to classrooms for birthdays, celebrations, or other classroom parties should be peanut/tree nut free. Any purchased or homemade snack should include the ingredient list. A recipe is OK to send if made at home.
3. We do allow peanut butter to be brought in a lunch. We ask that students not share/trade lunch items.

If there are any changes to a specific classroom regarding food allergies, parents will be notified in writing.



ANNUAL/CONTINUOUS NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION

The District offers career and technical programs in the following areas of study:

Agricultural, food, and natural resources

Arts, communication, and information services

Applied sciences, technology, engineering, and manufacturing, including transportation, distribution, logistics, architecture, and construction

Business, finance, marketing and management

The Board and the District will not discriminate in educational programs on the basis of: race, creed color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, religion, disability, socioeconomic status or marital status. The Board and District will not discriminate in employment on the basis of age, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, religion, disability or genetic information. There is a grievance procedure for processing complaints of discrimination.

Any person having inquiries concerning the District's compliance with federal and/or state non-discrimination law is directed to:

Superintendent Dr. Timothy Mitchell
Riverside Community School District
330 Pleasant Street, Carson, IA
712-484-2212
tmitchell@riverside.k12.ia.us

This individual has been designated by the District to coordinate the District's efforts to comply with federal and/or state non-discrimination laws.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Effective April 1, Riverside is pleased to offer PayForIt to our parents to pay fees, fines and lunch balances online. Parents will also be able to check payment history, review purchases and set up automated email reminders.

PayForIt.net

What is PayForIt?

PayForIt (PFI) is a Secure Online Payment system which simplifies payment, collection and balancing of funds for School Districts. It enables parents to pay fees, fines and fund accounts quickly and easily online. PayForIt allows parents to opt into and manage email reminders about their student's accounts.

Benefits:

- ✓ Using PFI, secretaries spend less time taking cash at the serving lines, so students have more time to eat. Additionally, there is not a chance of lost lunch money from home to the serving lines or building offices.
- ✓ Payments can be made by credit card or electronic check 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at the parents' convenience.
- ✓ Parents can review what their students are actually purchasing along with account balance information.
- ✓ PFI supports increased communication between the school & the parents.

Features:

- ✓ Parents can opt to receive an email when a family balance dips to a certain threshold (set by the parent).
- ✓ Parents can opt to use an automatic payment feature which replenishes their family account(s) when a balance dips to a specific level (specified by the parent).
- ✓ School messages are automatically emailed to parents.
- ✓ A continuous online survey is provided to monitor parent feedback and ideas.
- ✓ Student information is automatically transferred from year-to-year and from school-to-school.
- ✓ Parents can manage more than one student account.
- ✓ PFI is PCI, or Payment Card Industry, compliant and maintains industry standard SSL certificates. This ensures all data is safe & secure as defined by the industry.

How to sign up

Log on to www.payforit.net.

Select the "Sign Up" option from the menu. The screens will guide you through the process to establish your account.

1. The internet convenience fee will be charged at 4.00% per credit card charges and \$1.75 per electronic check.
2. You will be prompted to enter your contact data, password, payment information, etc.
3. You will need to indicate which student(s) to attach to your account. Student names must be entered exactly the same as they appear in JMC (Riverside's student information system). Students are already loaded in the PFI system from JMC so the names must match exactly. PFI utilizes the same student ID number already used throughout Riverside's student information system. If you are unsure of your student's ID number, you can check it in your JMC online access account, or contact your child's building.
4. Once you have an account, you can choose to pay lunch balances, fees and fines at school using a credit card.

Once all information is entered, PFI will email a validation code for you to confirm the registration. Once confirmed you can begin using PFI as often as you'd like.

How to get help

How Do I...? Each major function used in PFI, has online help available under the menu option of "How Do I...?". The "How Do I?" provides step by step instructions as well as screen examples.

FAQ: When starting to use PFI, it is a good idea to review the Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) available within the Help menu option.

Support Videos: There are videos you can view about the different features of PayForIt.net.

<http://vimeo.com/user13751241/payforit-tutorials>

Contact Us: You are also able to send an email to the PFI Help Support Staff. This function is also within the Help menu option.

Aviso anual continuo de no-discriminación

el distrito ofrece programas técnicos en las siguientes áreas de estudio y carrera:

agrícola, alimentos, recursos naturales

artes, comunicación y Ciencias aplicadas de la servicios

de información, tecnología, ingeniería y fabricación, incluyendo transporte, distribución, logística, arquitectura y construcción

de negocios, finanzas, marketing y administración de la Junta y

el distrito no discriminará en programas educativos sobre la base de : raza, color de credo, sexo, orientación sexual, identidad de género, origen nacional, religión, discapacidad, nivel socioeconómico o estado civil. La Junta Directiva y distrito no discriminará en el empleo sobre la base de edad, raza, credo, color, sexo, orientación sexual, identidad de género, origen nacional, religión, discapacidad o información genética. Existe un procedimiento de queja para el procesamiento de quejas de discriminación.

Cualquier persona que tenga preguntas sobre el cumplimiento del distrito federal o estatal ley de no discriminación está dirigido a:

Superintendente Dr. Timothy Mitchell

Riverside comunidad escolar

330 agradable calle, Carson, IA

712-484-2212

tmitchell@riverside.k12.ia.us

este individuo ha sido designada por el distrito para coordinar los esfuerzos del distrito para cumplir con las leyes de no discriminación federales o estatales.

Captain Jack's Care Closet

The Class of 2024 received a grant to help students in need so if you or someone you know needs any of the following:

- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Socks
- Underwear
- Deodorant
- Soap
- Shampoo and Conditioner
- Detergent
- Toilet Paper
- Feminine Products

Tell a teacher or contact either of the schools at:
712-482-6464 HS (Mrs. Hensley)
712-484-2291 IS (Mrs. Hensley or Ms. Houser)
712-482-6296 ES



JOIN

THE RIVERSIDE CLUB

GET THIS MAGNET WHILE SUPPLY LASTS!

\$15 SINGLE MEMBERSHIP

\$25 COUPLE MEMBERSHIP



Cardboard Challenge



Kelly Clevenger



Sara Conway

Eli Petersen

October Top Dawgs (Holly Garcia, photo by J Mansfield)

Top Dawgs at Riverside for October were Kelly Clevenger, Sara Conway, and Eli Petersen. Each month students are selected for their positive contributions to Riverside by being respectful and responsible leaders.

Sara Conway is an incredibly talented young lady who "endlessly" creative and always has good ideas and is also very funny. She is a great leader and is always willing to help others.

Eli Petersen is also known for his willingness to help others and is able to deep into a subject and look beyond just the surface. Eli is honing his leadership skills and is also known for his sense of humor.

Kelly Clevenger is a wonderful student to have in class. She participates in class discussion and always has positive things to contribute. Kelly encourages others and is an excellent leader. Our congratulations to Sara, Kelly, and Eli!!

GO DAWGS!

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PREPARE TO BE SCARED AT OUR NEWEST KID-FRIENDLY MUSICAL PRODUCTION!

RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR PRESENTS :



WHEN : NOVEMBER 3RD AND 4TH AT 7PM

WHERE : RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

ADMISSION : ADULTS-\$5 STUDENTS-\$3

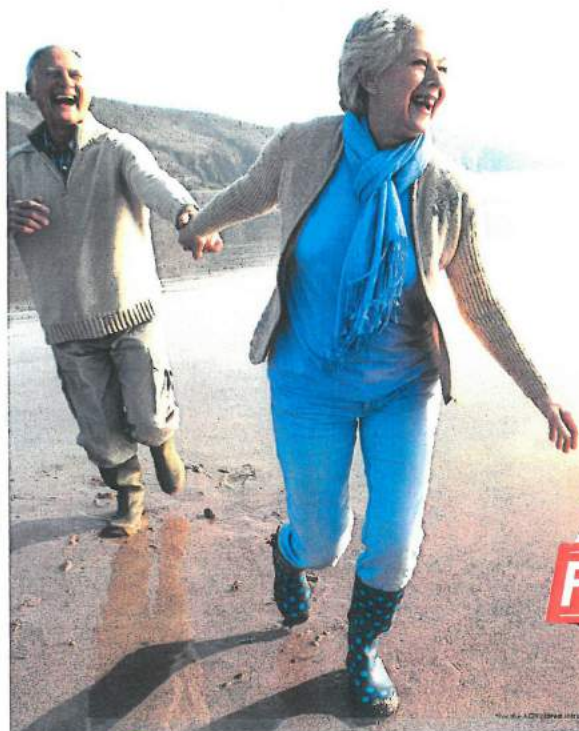
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

THERE WILL BE A FREE-WILL DONATION SOUP SUPPER

5:30 IN THE HIGH SCHOOL COMMONS

Delaney Murphy

**Plan to have FUN —
not the flu.**



SYMPTOMS OF FLU INCLUDE:

- Fever
- Aches
- Chills
- Coughing
- Sore throat
- Runny nose
- Muscle or body aches
- Headaches
- Fatigue
- Vomiting and diarrhea

PLANNING AHEAD IS
YOUR BEST STRATEGY.



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Council Bluffs, IA 51503
(712) 328 - 3990



Riverside Community Schools

November 8 & 10, 2017

Riverside Soup'R' Bowl Food Drive

The Riverside High School Student Council is organizing the annual Riverside Food Drive from December 4th-8th. We are having an Ultimate Football Kick-Off on Sunday, December 3rd at 3:00 in the RHS Gymnasium to Kick-Off the Riverside Soup'R'Bowl Food Drive week. Admission to the Ultimate Football Kick-Off is a canned good. We hope you come watch the games and support the Food Drive. Our goal this year is to collect 5,000 items and \$5,000 to support our local Riverside Food Pantry.

We are asking local businesses to give a tax-deductible donation during our Food Drive. This money will help the Food Pantry to provide fresh food and other items to local families in need. Local business donors are recognized at the conclusion of our Food Drive.

Gold Donor: \$200 Donation

Gold Donors are listed in the school newsletter, local paper, and the home basketball programs.

Silver Donor: \$100 Donation

Silver Donors are listed in the school newsletter and local paper.

Bronze Donor: \$50 Donation

Bronze Donors are listed in the school newsletter.

If your business is able to donate money, please deliver or send a check written to the Riverside Food Pantry by December 8th to:

Riverside High School

18997 Hwy 59

Oakland IA 51560

Thank you again for helping local families in need.

Your generosity makes a difference!

SOUP'R BOWL FOOD DRIVE



DECEMBER 4-8

Jaycee Mansfield

The FFA Fruit Sales Are BACK!

Sale Dates:

October 2-November 6

Est. Delivery Date: December 4

Fruit, Meat, Cheese, Candy

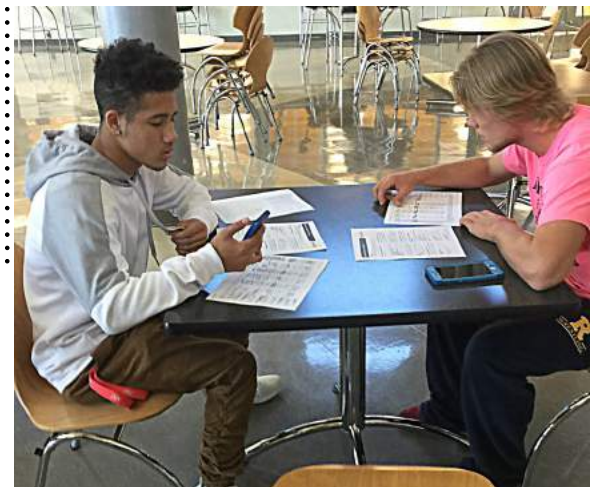
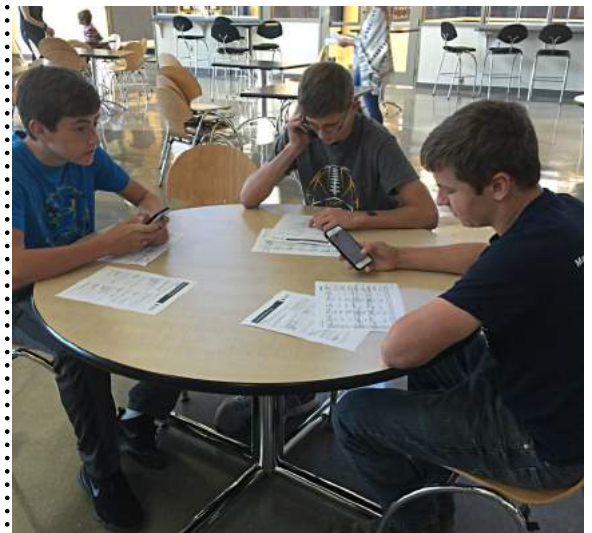
View Complete Brochures @ www.4sns.com



We need YOUR
BLOOD!

Help save a life!
Donate in the RHS gym
Friday, November 3rd
8 am - 2 pm
Call Riverside High School or
email

ckallsen@riversides.k12.ia.us to
make an appointment



Above: Students calling potential donors for the blood drive at the high school

The Red Cross Blood Drive will be held Friday, November 3rd from 8:00-2:00. The Riverside Student Council has been busy taking appointments—please call the high school if interested in making an appointment to donate blood on November 3. (photos and article submitted by Callie Kallsen)



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Board Brief

Regular School Board Meeting Monday October 16, 2017

Agenda can be found at: <http://bit.ly/2zqwUAV>

Information Items

- ✓ **Presentation: Ruth Hardy – JHSH Language Arts Teacher** –Service Learning Academy
- ✓ **Building Administration Reports** – David Gute and Jamie Meek provided a report to the Board.
- ✓ **Student Representative Reports** – Jaycee Mansfield-Gutheil and Jacey Kallsen provided a student report for the Board.
- ✓ **Superintendent Report** – Dr. Mitchell provided a report to the Board-More information can be found attached to the agenda
- ✓ **Pottawattamie Promise Update** – The Iowa West Foundation Board has agreed to move the program from a pilot to an ongoing program supported by the Foundation and its partners. They will move ahead with cohort six for the four districts who are currently part of the program and will look to include at least one additional school district this year. Their plan remains to incorporate all Pottawattamie County school districts in the initiative by 2020.
- ✓ **Preliminary Certified Enrollment** –Dr. Mitchell presented an unofficial enrollment update. Certified enrollment is not completed until November when final adjustments are approved-the current student count is down 11 students from last year-More information can be found attached to the agenda
- ✓ **Facility Update** – Dr. Mitchell provided and update on facility issues for the Board-More information can be found attached to the agenda.

Consent Agenda

The Board approved the Minutes from the Prior Meeting, Bills, Claims, and Financial Reports. The Board accepted and approved the following personnel actions:

- Approved Karla Keener and Sara Fenske – Co-Basketball Cheer Sponsors for the 2017-2018 School Year
- Approved – Tammie Shellberg – Prom Sponsor for the 2017-2018 School Year
- Approved Resignation- Brock Johnson – Junior High Boys Basketball Coach for the 2017-2018 School Year
- Approved Resignation- Liz Graves – Junior High Girls Basketball Coach for the 2017-2018 School Year
- Approved – Brock Johnson – Junior High Girls Basketball Coach 2017-2018 school year
- Approved- Cole Chapin- Junior High Boys Basketball Coach for the 2017-2018 School year
- Approved- Phil Reed- Volunteer for Facility Committee for the 2017-2018 School Year

This information can be found attached to the agenda.

Major Purchases

No Items were considered

Action Items

- ✓ Tabled the approval of the SBRC Application for Increasing Enrollment, Open Enrollment Out and LEP Instruction Beyond 5 years until November Meeting. This will allow for final enrollment numbers to be finalized.
- ✓ Awarded the Mowing Bids for 2018-2019 to Area #1-M & R Lawn Service Area #2-Blackie's Lawn Service and Area #3-M & R Lawn Service-More information can be found attached to the agenda
- ✓ Awarded the Turf Care Bids for 2018-2019 to Area #1-Loess Hills Landscaping Area #2-A & A Lawn and Landscaping LLC and Area #3- A & A Lawn and Landscaping LLC-More information can be found attached to the agenda
- ✓ Approved Junior High Senior High Club Robotics Program for the 2017-2018 school year
- ✓ Approved the John Baylor Prep Agreement with Green Hills Area Education Agency for the 2017-2018 School Year-More information can be found attached to the agenda
- ✓ Approved the Healthy Homes Family Services Agreement for the 2017-2018 school year-More information can be found attached to the agenda
- ✓ Approved Grade 9-12 Music Department Trip to Chicago, IL for March 21-March 24, 2017

Discussion Items

- ✓ Reviewed the Board Self-Evaluation from 2016-2017
- ✓ Presented the 2017-2018 IASB School Board Member Handbook-More information can be found attached to the agenda
- ✓ Reviewed the 2018 IASB Legislative Platform-More information can be found attached to the agenda
- ✓ Discussed Superintendent Goals for 2017-2018-More information can be found attached to the agenda
- ✓ Board Learning – School Finance 101-More information can be found attached to the agenda

The Board held an Exempt/Closed Session-Iowa Code 21.5(c) to confer with legal counsel. No action was taken.

Adjournment

The Next Meeting of the Board will be held on Monday November 20, 2017 at 7:00 PM.

Riverside Recognizes Digital Citizenship Week (Mandie Reynolds)

Students in Mrs. Hardy's Introduction to Composition class have led all students at Riverside in recognizing Digital Citizenship Week. In today's world of technology and social media, it is more important than ever that students are educated about what good Digital Citizenship looks like and how to practice it. Activities for the week have included:

- Creating posters for school social media (featured below)
- Daily announcements about digital citizenship
- Promoting the national cyber security poster contest
- Creating a digital citizenship infographic to hang up around the school building
- Leading advisory groups in playing Digital Compass to learn more about Digital Citizenship
- Displaying students' personal pledges to be good digital citizens in the hallway

Students have learned a lot and enjoyed teaching other students about Digital Citizenship. We hope to carry this positive message about technology throughout the school year at Riverside! For more information about Digital Citizenship week, visit this website: <https://www.common sense.org/education/digital-citizenship-week>



NO SCHOOL NOVEMBER 22-24 THANKSGIVING BREAK

With the arrival of winter weather season it is time to remind everyone about the procedures and guidelines regarding snow/weather closures or delays. Riverside Community School District will remain open, if at all possible, on all scheduled school days, even when weather conditions may be extreme in the belief that it is in the best interest of the students. The District is concerned about the safety of all students, staff and patrons. We encourage everyone to use caution traveling safely to and from our schools and buildings. Please know that parents can keep children home when weather is extreme. Schools understand and respect this decision and will work with families. Remember, no announcement means normal school operation. School closure or delayed start information will always be posted no later than 6:00 a.m. on the Riverside Community Schools website at riversideschools.org, through social media and local news outlets.

On occasion, weather may be so extreme the District will close schools or implement a late start or early dismissal. The following information outlines the communication procedures that will be followed if such school closures or delays become necessary.

1. **Media Announcements**

Parents and employees should listen to these designated radio or television stations for school closure information between the hours of 5:30-8:00 AM (If schools dismiss early, the media will air the announcement as soon as possible.)

▪ **Radio Stations**

- KCSI --- 95.3 FM
- KJAN --- 1220 AM & 101.1 FM
- KMA --- 960 AM & 99.1 FM
- KNOD --- 105.3 FM
- KSOM --- 96.5 FM

▪ **TV Stations**

- KMTV --- Channel 3
- KETV --- Channel 7
- WOWT --- Channel 6

2. **Listen for One of These Messages**

One of the following messages will be aired by the media:

- "Schools Will Be Closed" (day and date)
- "Schools Will Start Late" (day and date)
- "Schools Will Dismiss Early" (day and date)

3. **Keep Phones Accessible**

Phones will be used for emergencies; therefore, parents are asked not to call the schools or the District.

4. **Closures Posted on the Web and Social Media**

School closure information will be posted by 6 a.m. on Riverside Community School District website at riversideschools.org, District Facebook Page, District Twitter account, Superintendent Facebook Page and Superintendent Twitter account.

5. **Phone, E-mail and Text Notification**

Parents will also receive a text, e-mail, phone call from our automated Student Information System (JMC). It is important that parent contact information is updated on a regular basis to make sure you receive this notification.

6. **Authorized Statements**

The media will only announce school closures when authorized by the Superintendent or his designee after he has consulted with the Transportation Coordinator the National Weather Service, other area schools and other state, county and city agencies.

7. **Closures for One Day Only**

All announcements are for one day only.

8. **Normal Operation**

No announcement means normal operation.

9. **Parents Need an Emergency Plan**

Parents are encouraged to establish an emergency plan for their children in the event that schools are closed, start late or are dismissed early. Parents should instruct their children where to go or what to do if a parent is not at home.

10. **Bus Stops**

On severe weather days, understand that buses may be running late due to road conditions and/or traffic delays. Please watch for email, phone or text messages regarding delayed bus routes. Parents are asked to wait with and/or meet their students at bus stops when buses are running on delayed or emergency schedules.

11. **Make-up Days**

Whether or not the day will be made-up once canceled will be determined by the Superintendent.

12. **Late Start**

When the District has designated a school day as "Schools Will Start Late," the expectation is that employees will arrive at their schools/departments based upon the amount of time the delay has been announced, or as soon as they can arrive safely.

Menards Conducts Mock Interviews (Sara Fenske)

In partnership with Menards and Riverside high school, Ms. Fenske's Independent Living class received the rare opportunity to tour and interview with managers at the

Menards warehouse distribution center in Shelby, Iowa. The students filled out applications and several different managers conducted mock interviews.



Row 1: Hope Reichart, Austin Corbin Row 2: Isabella Minatra, Samantha Boruff, Ross DeGroat, Austin Yocum, Jacob Erickson, Haylee Vicek



Jacob Erickson



Isabella Minatra



Filling out the applications



School Improvement Advisory Committee

Who can be part of the SIAC?

- The advisory committee shall consist of members representing **students, parents, teachers, administrators, and representatives from the local community.**

What does the SIAC discuss?

- o Major educational needs
- o Student learning goals
- o Long-range and annual improvement goals that include but are not limited to: state indicators that address reading, mathematics, and science achievement.
- o Desired levels of student performance.
- o Progress toward meeting the goals of the district.
- o Harassment or bullying prevention goals, programs, training, and other initiatives.

How do I join the committee?

- Come to our first meeting!
 - o **Monday, November 6th at 6:00 pm at the Carson Community Building**
- A light supper will be provided.
- If you'd like to attend, please contact Dr. Tim Mitchell (712-484-2212 or tmitchell@riverside.k12.ia.us)



Veterans Day Program

Friday, November 10, 2017

2:30 PM



Riverside Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium

The Public is Invited to Attend

As we honor our Veterans.



FALL SPORTS BANQUET

**TUESDAY,
NOV. 7, 2017**

AWARDS

@

6:30 PM

HS AUDITORIUM

MEAL PRIOR

TO AWARDS



Flag Hangers for the
Intermediate School

Joey, Carson, and



Jana Hensley photo



PUFFINS ARE COMING!

Jr. Class Members

**Will Be Selling
PUFFINS!**

NOVEMBER 1—NOVEMBER 16

DELIVERY DATE;

NOVEMBER 28, 2017

This is a fund raiser for Prom..

Thank you!



Headed to State Cross Country

Junior Alexis Post heads back to the state cross country meet in Fort Dodge on Saturday, October 28. Alexis finished 4th at the state-qualifying meet in Mt. Ayr on October 19. This is the 3rd time that Alexis will compete at state. Her coach is Alex Oliver who supplied the photo. Congratulations, Alexis. Stay Tuned For Results!



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Headed To All-State (Kelsey Burns)

Senior Collin Price (left) earned a place in the All-State Choir Festival on Saturday, October 21. He now heads to Ames in November. Please refer to the information below:

**71st ANNUAL ALL-STATE MUSIC FESTIVAL
SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 16-18**

Saturday, November 18, 2017, the Iowa High School Music Association and Iowa Music Educators Association presents the 71st annual All-State Music Festival Concert. This concert features the All-State Orchestra, All-State Chorus, and All-State Band and will be presented in the Hilton Coliseum, ISU, Ames, Iowa beginning at 7:30 P.M.

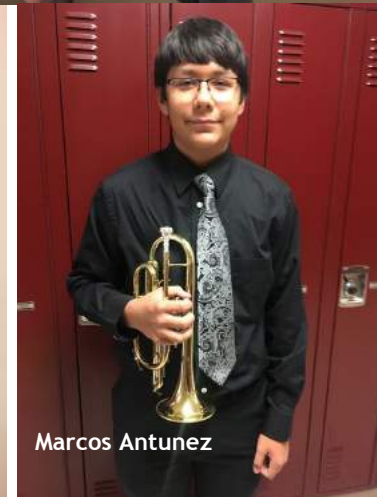
Congratulations, Collin! Collin sings in the Riverside Choir which is under the direction of Kelsey Burns.



Left: John Baker, Rhyann Sanny, Sara Conway, Collin Price



Lydia Wede



Marcos Antunez



Six students from the Riverside Music Department auditioned for the chance to go to the All-State Music Festival. They practiced many hours for this honor. Though they may not have been as successful as they would have liked, they are to be congratulated for taking a chance.



Riverside After-Prom presents...



The 2017 Fall Craft Fair

Saturday, Nov. 21st
10:00 to 2:00

at the 
Oakland Community
Center
\$2.00 Admission

The RHS Dance Team and The RHS Band & Choir will each have tables at the craft fair also. Dance Team is raising money to do competitions this year and Band & Choir are fundraising for their trip to Chicago.

THE YEARBOOK STAFF SAYS "THANKS!" TO OUR ADVERTISERS!



The 2018 yearbook staff would like to thank those businesses and individuals who purchased in the 2018 yearbook. The Riverside have not communities have been very generous. We are trying to wrap our ad sales campaign. If we have not contacted you and you wished to purchase space in the yearbook, please Mrs. Kallsen or Mrs. Stempel at the high school. Thanks again. (not pictured: Alli Reicks and Devyn Moore)



On Thursday, October 5 the Exploring Teaching class hosted a luncheon for three retired teachers. Margaret White, Louise Merkle, and Jennifer Elliott shared stories from their own days in country schools, college, and as elementary school teachers. Their insights helped us to realize how much education has changed over the past 90 years but also emphasized that the many roles of a teacher are always focused on student learning. Thank you to these lovely ladies for joining us and for all you do in our Riverside community! Holly Garcia is the teacher for this class and supplied the info and picture. Pictured above (clockwise) Alli Reicks, Louise Merkle, Jennifer Elliott, Margaret White, Alyssa Brink

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First graders went to the **UNO Planetarium** on September 29th! We learned about stars and planets. It was the perfect trip to piggyback off our science unit on sun/moon/predictable patterns. First grade students are learning to make predictions and use observations and evidence to create new understandings of the world around them. This trip was sponsored by **Riverside Principals Cabinet**.



If you have driven by the elementary school in the past few weeks, you might have heard some music playing. It's just Mr. Johnson doing some outdoor PE activities, i.e. soccer with Mrs. Gordon's 3rd grade class.

Reminder: Vets Day Program at Riverside Jr.-Sr. High School Friday, November 10 @ 2:30 PM Auditorium

Thanksgiving Vacation November 22 to November 24. Early Dismissal on November 21.

The first quarter is in the books and as you are reading this article we have completed almost two weeks of the second quarter. This year is starting fast and we are pushing ahead with lots of new learning.

Parent-teacher conferences were just a week ago and it was great to see families walking around the hallways and the amazing conversations that families were having with the teachers. I don't get to take part in many, but being able to walk down the hallways and hear bits and pieces of conversations is encouraging to me that everyone is working toward a common goal: to have every student be successful in school. If you were not able to attend, please contact your child's teacher and set up a conference or start an email conversation with them about your concerns from the first part of the year.

Now that conferences are over, please do not let the February Parent-Teacher conferences be the next time you talk to your child's teacher. One of the best ways to keep the communication going is to look in your child's folder or binder at the information that is coming home and then write notes back to the teacher when you have questions. If you don't have specific questions about assignments, grades, or other classroom activities, ask about how they are participating in the classroom with their peers.

I have heard from many families that they do not have or have very limited access to electronic information. Use those daily take home folders to write notes back and forth, make a phone call to the school and leave a message for the teacher to call you, or schedule a conference to sit and talk to them. There are great ways to communicate electronically, but the best and sometimes most effective way is to sit and talk and make a plan for success.

There are several ways you can find out how your child is doing without an email, phone call, or conference. For the 4th-6th grade students, families can log into JMC and look at grades and see the progress in each academic area. Teachers work hard to keep those up to date within 2-3 days of assignments so the grade is as accurate as possible. Many of your children use a web based program like ALEKS, MobyMax, Write to Learn, IXL, Spelling City, and Accelerated Reader. Each of these your child knows how to access from home and look at their progress at anytime. If they cannot remember how to access these programs, have them ask their teacher how to get to so your child can show you at home.

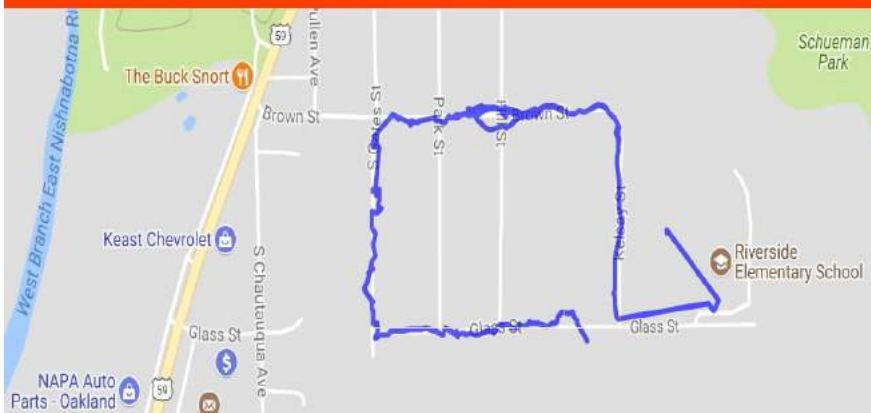
I cannot stress enough that having open and honest communication is vital to the success of your child in school. Teachers, paraeducators, and I want both you and your child's experience to be a positive and successful one. It is important to talk with any member of our school when an issue comes up. Be open with problems that your child is having at school, even if your child asks you not to talk to the school. Send emails or make phone calls so that everyone who is in contact with your child is on the same page. We want everyone in the community including families, students, and staff to have the best Riverside experience that they can!



"Take Your Parent to P.E Week" was highly successful! K-6 grade had over 100 parents in attendance! Thank you to the parents for attending, participating and supporting students in physical education. We hope this experience encourages families to be physically active together at home and in the community! #ParentsLovePE @ActiveSchoolsUS

Riverside Elementary had a great experience participating in the @HealthiestIowa Walk, presented by @DeltaDentalIA, on October 4th. We realize that the walk represented more than just 30 minutes of activity but also a commitment to improving the overall health of our students and the State of Iowa! Visit www.iowahealthieststate.com for resources on continuing to pursue a healthy lifestyle! #WalkMoreConnectMore #GetYourWalkOn

36 min walking · Oakland, Iowa · 8:48 AM



In order to have a cardboard challenge you need a couple of things: TAPE and CARDBOARD! We will have more info on the results somewhere else in the newsletter. In the meantime, look at the preparation work. Below we have included some elementary students with their tape collections.



High School Musical Department Presents  November 3 and November 4
 Friday, Nov. 3 Soup Supper @ 5:30 PM 7 PM in Auditorium

RIVERSIDE HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND

Celebrating 50 Years of the Beatles

Drum Major, Sara Conway



Selections Include:
Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band/With A Little Help From My Friends
When I'm 64
Hey Jude/Let It Be



SENIORS

Bailey Rose, Naz Peyter, Sara Conway,
Andy Casson, John Baker



Riverside Marching Band Re-Cap

3rd Place Southwest Iowa Band Jamboree
1st Place Loess Hills Fieldfest
Division II "Excellent" Rating at State Contest

RIVERSIDE MUSIC WINTER CONCERT DATES



Thursday, December 7th @7:00pm

Elementary Winter Concert

Jr/Sr High School Gymnasium



Thursday, December 14th @7:00pm

Intermediate School Winter Concert

Jr/Sr High School Gymnasium



Monday, December 18th @7:00pm

Grades 7-12 Winter Concert

Jr/Sr High School Auditorium



Gute News (Dave Gute, 7-12 Principal)

Riverside Jr.-Sr. High welcomed a guest speaker on October 24th, sponsored by TS Bank. The speaker is Jon Pritikin and his message is "Feel the Power". He presents his life story in a way that shows students that the past does not define a person and shows that positive personal choices can greatly impact an individual's success. Jon endured many years of poor treatment from others, and he now provides inspiration for others by tackling the issues of bullying, poor self-image and overcoming personal obstacles.

Jon's message of positivity and good character aligns with our character development curriculum called "Bulldog Pride" at the jr.-sr. high school. All students have weekly advisory lessons that emphasize the importance of good character. The six pillars of the Bulldog Pride program are Trustworthiness, Respect, Responsibility, Fairness, Caring, and Citizenship.

All fall activities have ended and we will soon be heading indoors for speech, jazz band, pep band, basketball, wrestling and dance team. Don't forget about the fall musical on November 3rd and 4th. Please come out and support our students this winter. They put a lot of work into their extracurricular events and, win or lose, it is nice to be supported.

Frist Quarter Junior High Honor Roll

Gold Honor Roll

7th Grade

Veronica Andrusyshyn
Lian Antunez
Madison Baldwin
Tayleigh DeGroat
Lili McCready
Mackenzie Olmstead-Mitchell
Teegan Schechinger
Cole Simmons

8th Grade

Cale Bentley
Hannah Lund



Silver Honor Roll

Bowe Brannan
Braydon Hall
Pierce Johnson
Paige Long
Kiara Meek
Stormy Noble
Kimberly Smith
Brant Spies

Isabelle Bluml
Michael Casson
McKenna Sick



Honor Roll

Jonathan Alff
Jack Eggers
Cassidy Feigenbutz
Hayden Hensley
Jacob Ladd
Lily LeKander
Nathaniel Messerschmidt
Hannah Millett
Keaton Perkins
Jadynn Price
Tommy Puntenev
Tyler Reed
Chaylee Reimers
Ayden Salais
Justin Wilson

Rhett Bentley
Kelly Clevenger
Joshua Fajen
Frannee Maher
Jace Rose
Makenna Rose
McCartney Sanny
Nathan Seifert
Clayton Spies



Parents of a 2018 Graduating Student (Guidance Office)

Scholarships for graduating seniors have been arriving to the counseling office. All scholarships received are immediately emailed out to the senior class. The local scholarships will be released and emailed to the Seniors on March 1st. If you know of any scholarships, please email the counseling office so that we can pass them onto the rest of the Senior Class. If you have any questions, please contact the Counseling Office.



Student Council News (Callie Kallsen)

The RHS Student Council had the Carson Can Corral for the month of September. They will be using the funds for Homecoming and various student activities throughout the school year.



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The mission of the Riverside Community School District is to prepare students to meet the challenges of the future as responsible citizens in a global society.

The Riverside Community School District Board of Education prior to July 1, 2017 in compliance with United States Department of Agriculture Food and Nutrition Service adopted a Meal Charge Policy (School Board Policy 711.5-see attached) regarding school nutrition program for the 2017-2018 school year. This new policy is consistent with procedures adopted in the 2016-2017 school year. The school nutrition program is legally obligated to be a self sustaining program. Family lunch accounts are not intended to be used as charge accounts, rather depository accounts whereby students can withdraw funds to purchase meals. Students do not have individual lunch accounts. A family lunch account is maintained which includes a total balance for the entire family that is reduced when any member of the family purchases a meal, second meal, extra milk, or a la carte item from the school's nutrition program. In order to assist parents in maintaining a positive family lunch account balance, the district has the following services available:

- Parents may monitor family lunch account balances through JMC – Online Payment Access (link available on the district's homepage). Parents also have the ability to set up automatic notifications when the family account balance falls below a dollar amount set by the parent. District secretaries can assist with setting up this feature.
- Online lunch account/fee/fine payments may be made by credit/debit card or e-check through www.payforit.net. Parents may also check payment history, review outstanding charges, and set up automated email reminders through payforit.net. A link is included on the district's homepage
- Check/Cash/Credit Card payments are accepted at the main office of each district building
- The district will send email and/or mail notifications periodically for each family account with a balance that falls below \$10.00
- Free/Reduced meal applications are available at each building office and during registration. Please note that applications must be submitted annually and when household information or income changes.

In an effort to allow the district's nutrition program to remain self-sustaining while striving to keep future meal price increases to a minimum, the district has implemented the following for the 2017-2018 school year:

- Breakfast prices: \$1.50 per meal
- Lunch prices: \$2.55 per meal
- Adult Lunch Price: \$3.55
- When a family lunch account balance falls below -\$10.00 per family member, each family member will receive an alternative meal. (i.e. one family member eating school meals = -\$10.00 balance before alternate meals are provided, two family members eating school meals = -\$20.00 balance, etc.)
- The alternative meal will consist of a cheese sandwich, fruit, and milk at a cost of \$0.50 per meal
- Alternative meals will be provided until the family lunch account balance is positive or payment arrangements have been made with the district's business office.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding.

Please contact Dr. Timothy Mitchell with any questions regarding this policy.

The Riverside Community School District does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, or disability in its educational programs and activities and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital status, or disability in its employment practices, or as otherwise prohibited by statute or regulation. For more information or concerns regarding educational programs or activities, employment practices or information regarding the grievance procedure, contact Dr. Timothy Mitchell, Equity Coordinator, Riverside Community School District, 330 Pleasant Street, PO Box 218, Carson, IA 51525, 712-484-2212.

Created by Jami Carter



MEAL CHARGES

In accordance with state and federal law, the Riverside Community School District adopts the following policy to ensure school district employees, families, and students have a shared understanding of expectations regarding meal charges. The policy seeks to allow students to receive the nutrition they need to stay focused during the school day, prevent the overt identification of students with insufficient funds to pay for school meals, and maintain the financial integrity of the nonprofit school nutrition program.

The school nutrition program is legally obligated to be a self-sustaining program. Family lunch accounts are not intended to be used as charge accounts, rather depository accounts whereby students can withdraw funds to purchase meals. Students do not have individual lunch accounts. A family lunch account is maintained which includes a total balance for the entire family that is reduced when any member of the family purchases a meal, second meal, extra milk, or a la carte item from the school's nutrition program. In order to assist parents in maintaining a positive family lunch account balance, the district has the following services available:

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Payment of Meals

Students who qualify for free meals shall never be denied a reimbursable meal, even if they have accrued a negative balance from previous purchases. Students with outstanding meal charge debt shall be allowed to purchase a meal if the student pays for the meal when it is received. The school district may provide an alternate meal that meets federal and state requirements to students who have charged the maximum allowance to the student account and cannot pay out of pocket for a meal.

Employees may use a charge account for meals, but may charge no more than \$10.00 to this account. When an account reaches this limit, an employee shall not be allowed to charge further meals or a la carte items until the negative account balance is paid.

Negative Account Balances

When a family lunch account balance falls below -\$10.00 per family member, each family member will receive an alternate meal. (i.e. one family member eating school meals = -\$10.00 balance before alternate meals are provided, two family members eating school meals = -\$20.00 balance, etc.) The

alternative meal will consist of a cheese sandwich, fruit, and milk at a cost of \$0.50 per meal. Alternative meals will be provided until the family lunch account balance is positive or payment arrangements have been made with the district's business office. The district will send email and/or mail notifications periodically for each family account with a balance that falls below \$10.00

The school district will make reasonable efforts to notify families when meal account balances are low. Additionally, the school district will make reasonable efforts to collect unpaid meal charges classified as delinquent debt. The school district will coordinate communications with families to resolve the matter of unpaid charges. Negative balances not paid prior to end of the school year may be turned over to the superintendent or superintendent's designee for collection. Options for collection may include: collection agencies, small claims court, or any other legal method permitted by law.

Communication of the Policy

The policy and supporting information regarding meal charges shall be provided in writing to:

- All households at or before the start of each school year;
- Students and families who transfer into the district, at time of transfer;
- and All staff responsible for enforcing any aspect of the policy.

Records of how and when the policy and supporting information were communicated to households and staff will be retained.

The superintendent may develop an administrative process to implement this policy.

Legal Reference:

42 U.S.C. §§ 1751 *et seq.*

7 C.F.R. §§ 210 *et seq.*

U.S. DEPT OF AGRIC., SP 46-2016, UNPAID MEAL CHARGES: LOCAL MEAL CHARGE POLICIES

(2016). U.S. DEPT OF AGRIC., SP 47-2016, UNPAID MEAL CHARGES: CLARIFICATION ON

COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT MEAL PAYMENTS (2016).

U.S. DEPT OF AGRIC., SP 57-2016, UNPAID MEAL CHARGES: GUIDANCE AND Q&A (2016).

Iowa Code 283A.

281 I.A.C. 58.

Cross Reference:

711.1 School Food Program

711.2 Free or Reduced Cost Meals Eligibility

711.3 Vending Machine



Ashlynn Amdor for the set!

Sydney Murphy taps it over.

The Cardboard Challenge was a district-wide event. Even at the Intermediate School, they needed to get some tape for the cardboard that awaited everyone at the high school. We have included some pictures below. Many more pictures are available on the Riverside Community School Facebook page.



RECYCLING IS BIG BUSINESS AT INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL

There's a new club at Riverside IS this year, one that is driven by determined young minds working hard to make an impact. Riverside Recycling Club is a group of 4th-6th grade students with passion for taking care of our Earth. This self-motivated group, in the past months have researched and implemented a few simple tasks that have made recycling manageable at our Intermediate School once again. Recently, they visited the Cass County Landfill and Recycling Station, to see what a landfill looks like and talk with a professional about what exactly happens to all our trash. Since school has started this year, the Recycling Club, in partnership with East Pott. SWCD, and Riverside IS staff, has helped the school tackle recycling again, currently the IS recycles paper, plastic, aluminum (Switch cans from ala carte—if you haven't heard of Switch—as your IS student☺), plastic bags, and milk cartons. Their first goal was to reduce the amount of daily trash coming out the school. At October's assembly, the Recycling Club challenged each student to pick just ONE item and start recycling it at home. These students genuinely want to change the world, and they believe recycling is one way that will make a big impact on making not only our community, but our world, a stronger, healthier, happier place to be a part of. If you have a student, with a heart towards living green, make sure they ask about the Riverside IS Recycling Club, all sorts of awesomeness happening, our future is in good hands! (above)





Left and far left:
Intermediate Recyclers
traveled to Atlantic to
visit a recycling center.



Fire Prevention Week was October 8-14 and students at the Intermediate School got to visit the Carson Fire Department.



Intermediate students also took their parents to PE classes. We have shared some pictures above.



RIVERSIDE WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULES



Riverside Jr. High Boys Basketball Schedule



<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Monday	Nov. 06	@ Missouri Valley MS	Missouri Valley MS	4:15PM
Thursday	Nov. 09	Logan-Magnolia Community High	Riverside High School	4:15PM
Monday	Nov. 13	@ IKM-M	IKM-M	4:15PM
Tuesday	Nov. 14	East Mills	Riverside High School	4:15PM
Thursday	Nov. 16	Treynor MS	Riverside High School	4:15PM
Monday	Nov. 20	@ Tri-Center MS	Tri-Center MS	4:15PM
Monday	Nov. 27	@ Griswold MS	Griswold MS	4:15PM
Monday	Dec. 04	Underwood MS	Riverside High School	4:15PM
Tuesday	Dec. 05	CAM	Riverside High School	4:15PM
Thursday	Dec. 07	@ AHST MS	AHST MS	4:15PM
Monday	Dec. 11	Audubon MS	Riverside High School	4:15PM



Varsity Basketball (Girls) 2017-2018



<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Tuesday	Nov. 28	Tri-Center High School	RHS Gym (Oakland)	6:00PM
Thursday	Nov. 30	@ Stanton High School	Stanton High School	6:00PM
Friday	Dec. 01	@ Underwood High School	Underwood High School	6:00PM
Tuesday	Dec. 05	@ Griswold High School	Griswold High School	6:00PM
Friday	Dec. 08	@ Audubon High School	Audubon High School	6:00PM
Tuesday	Dec. 12	IKM-M	RHS Gym (Oakland)	6:00PM
Friday	Dec. 15	@ Logan-Magnolia Community High	Logan-Magnolia Community High	6:00PM
Tuesday	Dec. 19	@ Missouri Valley High School	Missouri Valley High School	6:00PM
Thursday	Dec. 21	@ AHST High School	AHST High School	6:00PM
Friday	Jan. 05	Treynor High School	RHS Gym (Oakland)	6:00PM
Saturday	Jan. 06	@ Heartland Christian	Iowa School for the Deaf	1:00PM
Tuesday	Jan. 09	@ Tri-Center High School	Tri-Center High School	6:00PM
Friday	Jan. 12	Underwood High School	Mid-America Center	4:00PM
Tuesday	Jan. 16	Griswold High School	RHS Gym (Oakland)	6:00PM
Friday	Jan. 19	Audubon High School	RHS Gym (Oakland)	6:00PM
Saturday	Jan. 20	South Page Community High School	RHS Gym (Oakland)	3:00PM
Tuesday	Jan. 23	@ IKM-M	IKM-M	6:00PM
Friday	Jan. 26	Logan-Magnolia Community High	RHS Gym (Oakland)	6:00PM
Tuesday	Jan. 30	Missouri Valley High School	RHS Gym (Oakland)	6:00PM
Friday	Feb. 02	AHST High School	RHS Gym (Oakland)	6:00PM
Tuesday	Feb. 06	@ Treynor High School	Treynor High School	6:00PM



Varsity Basketball (Boys)

2017-2018



<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Tuesday	Nov. 28	Tri-Center High School	Riverside High School	7:30PM
Thursday	Nov. 30	@ Stanton High School	Stanton High School	7:30PM
Friday	Dec. 01	@ Underwood High School	Underwood High School	7:30PM
Tuesday	Dec. 05	@ Griswold High School	Griswold High School	7:30PM
Friday	Dec. 08	@ Audubon High School	Audubon High School	7:30PM
Tuesday	Dec. 12	IKM-M	Riverside High School	7:30PM
Friday	Dec. 15	@ Logan-Magnolia Community High	Logan-Magnolia Community High	7:30PM
Tuesday	Dec. 19	@ Missouri Valley High School	Missouri Valley High School	7:30PM
Thursday	Dec. 21	@ AHST High School	AHST High School	7:30PM
Friday	Jan. 05	Treynor High School	Riverside High School	7:30PM
Saturday	Jan. 06	@ Heartland Christian	Iowa School for the Deaf	2:30PM
Tuesday	Jan. 09	@ Tri-Center High School	Tri-Center High School	7:30PM
Friday	Jan. 12	Underwood High School	Mid-America Center	5:30PM
Tuesday	Jan. 16	Griswold High School	Riverside High School	7:30PM
Friday	Jan. 19	Audubon High School	Riverside High School	7:30PM
Tuesday	Jan. 23	@ IKM-M	IKM-M	7:30PM
Friday	Jan. 26	Logan-Magnolia Community High	Riverside High School	7:30PM
Tuesday	Jan. 30	Missouri Valley High School	Riverside High School	7:30PM
Friday	Feb. 02	AHST High School	Riverside High School	7:30PM
Tuesday	Feb. 06	@ Treynor High School	Treynor High School	7:30PM

*** Saturday, January 20, 2018 There will be a boys basketball—the time and opponent will be determined later








Varsity Wrestling (Boys)

2017-2018



<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Time</u>
Thursday	Nov. 30	@ Wrestling Quad (SWI/Underwood/Glenwood)	Sidney High School	5:30PM
Saturday	Dec. 02	@ Pekin Packwood Invitational	Pekin Packwood Invitational	9:30AM
Wednesday	Dec. 06	Madison High School	Iowa Western Community College	6:30PM
Saturday	Dec. 09	Riverside Invitational Tournament	Riverside High School	10:00AM
Tuesday	Dec. 12	@ Wrestling Triangular (Clarinda Academy/Red Oak)	Red Oak High School	5:30PM
Friday	Dec. 15	@ WIC Team Dual Wrestling Tournament	Tri-Center High School	5:00PM
Saturday	Dec. 16	@ WIC Team Dual Wrestling Tournament	Tri-Center High School	9:00AM
Thursday	Jan. 04	@ Quad (Treynor, East Mills)	Treynor High School	5:30PM
Saturday	Jan. 06	@ Coon Rapids-Bayard Wrestling Tournament	Coon Rapids-Bayard High School	10:00AM
Thursday	Jan. 11	@ Quad (T-C, GC, Woodbine, Riv)	Woodbine High School	5:30PM
Friday	Jan. 12	@ Ron Scott Memorial Dual Wrestling Tournament	Mount Ayr HS	4:30PM
Saturday	Jan. 13	@ Ron Scott Memorial Dual Wrestling Tournament	Ron Scott Memorial Dual Wrestling Tournament	10:00AM
Friday	Jan. 19	@ John Harris Invitational	John Harris Invitational	4:00PM
Saturday	Jan. 20	@ John Harris Invitational	John Harris Invitational	10:00AM
Tuesday	Jan. 23	@ Wrestling Quad (MVAO, Mo Valley, Treynor)	Wrestling Quad (MVAO, Mo Valley, Treynor)	5:30PM
Thursday	Jan. 25	@ Logan/Audubon/W.Monona Quad	Audubon High School	6:00PM
Saturday	Jan. 27	@ Guthrie Center Tournament	Guthrie Center Tournament	10:00AM
Saturday	Feb. 03	Sectional Wrestling	Riverside High School	10:00AM

Riverside High School - November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
			1 Staff Professional Development 2:30 Dismissal	2	3 7:00 PM Musical BLOOD DRIVE High School	4 7:00 PM Musical
5	6 4:15 PM B MS BKB @ Missouri Valley MS	7 6:30 PM Fall Sports Banquet	8 Staff Professional Development 2:30 Dismissal	9 4:15 PM B MS BKB Logan-Magnolia Community High 6:30 PM Winter Parents' Meeting	10	11
12	13 4:15 PM B MS BKB @ IKM-M	14 WIC speech workshop 4:15 PM B MS BKB East Mills	15 Staff Professional Development 2:30 Dismissal	16 4:15 PM B MS BKB Treynor MS	17 6:00 PM Boys Basketball Jamboree	18
19	20 4:15 PM B MS BKB @ Tri-Center MS	21 2:30 Dismissal	22 No School 	23 No School- Thanksgiving	24 No School 	25
26	27 4:15 PM B MS BKB @ Griswold MS	28 6:00 PM B JV BKB Tri- Center High School 6:00 PM G V BKB Tri- Center High School 7:30 PM G JV BKB Tri-Center High School 7:30PM B V BKB Tri- Center High School	29 Staff Professional Development 2:30 Dismissal	30 5:30 PM B V WR @ Wrestling Quad (SWI/Un- derwood/Glenwood) 6:00 PM G V BKB @ Stanton High School 7:30PM B V BKB @ Stanton High School		

Meet The New Bruiser

(photos by Karla Keener)

Riverside's mascot, Bruiser, recently got a well-deserved make-over.

Pictured at the near right is the face of the new Bruiser. You can see at the far right that Bruiser was quick to get into the job of boosting school spirit. We R Riverside!



GO DAWGS!
GO DAWGS!

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GO DAWGS!



"Small Towns, BIG Dreams"



2017-2018 School Calendar November -- December

- 1, 8, 15, 29: 2:30 dismissal – Staff Development
- 21: 2:30 dismissal for Thanksgiving Break
- 22-24: No School – Thanksgiving Break

December:

- 6, 13: 2:30 dismissal – Staff Development
- 22: 2:30 dismissal: End of 1st Semester
- 23-31: No School – Christmas Break

You will find the complete 2017-2018 School Calendar at: <http://bit.ly/2t8XsXU>



Gallup Student Poll

Our district elected to participate in the Gallup Student Poll. The web-based survey has 24 items that measure four elements, including engagement with school, hope for the future, entrepreneurship and career/financial literacy. The survey was given to all 5th through 12th grader students. The survey is anonymous. Only group data are reported. Please visit the Gallup Student Poll website at www.gallupstudentpoll.com for more information. The results will be utilized to improve services for students.

Comprehensive Needs Assessment

This is a survey offered to all stakeholders to complete. It utilizes questions aligned with characteristics of effective schools to provide results that help to determine strengths, areas of needed improvement, and goals to set that will enable significant improvement in the district. This is a way to be proactive in giving stakeholders a vehicle to share ideas and opinions about your school improvement efforts. The survey link will be provided on the district website.

School Improvement Advisory Council (SIAC)-1st Meeting Monday November 6, 2017 6:30 PM-Carson Community Center

The purpose of this committee is to include all stakeholders in helping the district plan for our future needs. We hope that you would be a person who would like to have a voice in our school district. We meet about three times during the school year, but the input and assistance of this advisory committee is very important and we will engage with you in numerous ways throughout the school year. We will be serving a light supper. Childcare will be provided during the meeting by High School FCCLA student volunteers. More information and a complete agenda will be supplied at a later date. If you are interested in serving please contact the Office of the Superintendent at 712-484-2212 or tmitchell@riverside.k12.ia.us.

Student, Parent, Employee and Activities Handbooks

We have added a link to our website: <http://bit.ly/2wSvnoV>. Hard copies have been distributed to parents.

Bullying and Harassment- Inclusion

Don't let anyone at school eat alone in the cafeteria or on a school field trip. Make every day #NOONEEATSALONE

Include other students in school activities--Include other students in after school activities

Invite someone you don't now that well to sit next to you on the bus. Learn about each other.

At one point or another each of us has felt insecure, or stressed out, or alone. It is important to remind our friends and classmates that we are all in it together and we are there to listen and support each other. Use the hashtag #HereForYou on social media to let your classmates know that they have your support and a person to reach out to if they ever need to talk.

RCSD Anti Bullying/Harassment Policy and Forms can be found at:

<http://bit.ly/2wYe9Bd>

2017-2018 Superintendent Goals

Goal #1-The superintendent will provide leadership designed to improve student performance and promote academic improvement of the schools within the district.

Goal #2-The superintendent will provide the leadership for the district to better communicate with the general public those positive activities, programs, accomplishments and district improvements to increase community awareness and understanding.

Goal #3-The superintendent will provide the leadership designed to provide a sustainable, productive and positive school climate and culture.

Building Progress-Sports Complex

B & D Diamond Pro is onsite working on the fields. Both fields are now laid out and flagged. We will begin the process of killing the turf and installing the bases, infield material, pitching mounds and warning tracks. The platforms for the scorer, score board operator and announcer will be built by the Construction Trades class. The sound systems can be installed when the platforms are completed.

Building Progress-Safe Room Addition

They are in the final stages of completing the building and are scheduling final inspections and putting together the Punch List for the project. We are on schedule for our December completion date.

Riverside Community School App

The Riverside Community School District web site is available as an app for both iPhones and Android Phones. Go the Google Play or the Apple App Store and search for Riverside CSD to find the app. Or you can go to the following links:

Android: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=net.socs.riversideschools>

iOS: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/riverside-csd/id1231151717>

Please feel free to follow me on social media at Tim Mitchell on Facebook, @tmitchell212 on Twitter or tmitchell6885 on Instagram. I would also love to come and talk to any group about things happening in our district. If you need to contact me about school issues please call at 712-484-2212 or e-mail at tmitchell@riverside.k12.ia.us.

The Riverside Community School District would like to thank the following Cardboard Challenge Sponsors:

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Playing math games to reinforce our basic math facts.
(Lisa Hummel)





Above: PreK Winner: Memory



Above: Most Functional:
SkeeBall 5th-8th Grade Group 113



Above: Best School Spirit: Bulldog Power Bowling 2nd Grade

Global Cardboard Challenge was a Huge Success! (Michaela Schwartzkopf)

Riverside Community School District hosted the Global Cardboard Challenge Friday, October 6th. The Global Cardboard Challenge is a worldwide event that started 6 years ago in Los Angeles, California. According to the Global Cardboard Challenge website Imagination's Day of Play commemorates the flash mob that came out to make Caine's day in the film. It's an opportunity for communities all over the world to come together in big and small ways to celebrate the creativity of kids just like Caine! This year 771,490 different locations participated including places from 80 different countries.

Students as young as 4 years old to seniors in high school worked together to create arcade style games out of cardboard and tape. All of the cardboard was recycled from local businesses and households in the Riverside School District. Tape and other supplies were donated by Bucksnot, OSI, Riverside Principal's Cabinet, Riverside Booster Club, Riverside Optimist Club, Carson Business Club, Dreamland Theatre, Oakland Lion's Club, Mark & Susan Beedle, Oakland Senior Center, Kenealy Family, JP Lumber, and local families.

The students created many different games including SkeeBall, air hockey, Plinko, obstacle courses, pinball, and many others. While demonstrating creativity the students also honed their skills of engineering, time management, entrepreneurship, and communication. It was fantastic to see how well the high school students worked with the younger students to create unified projects. All of the groups did a fantastic job with their projects and choosing winners was very difficult. In the end the following groups won: Overall Winner - Just Dance 4th grade; Most Functional - SkeeBall 5-8th Grade Group 113; Best Directions - Human Foosball 5-8th Grade Group 106; Most Realistic - Air Hockey 5-8th Grade Group 102; Best School Spirit - Bulldog Power Bowling 2nd grade; Best Structure - Air Hockey 3rd Grade Group 68;

Best Combo Game - Group 76 3rd Grade; Best Blueprint - Flying Robot Plinko 1st Grade; Best Engineering - Whack-a-Shark 1st Grade; Kindergarten - Plinko; PreK - Memory; Ticket Winner: Flying Robot Plinko 1st Grade.

The public was invited to come play the games from 1:45-2:45. We had a sensational turnout from the public! The public could purchase 10 tickets for \$1. Our goal was to raise \$75 to use towards supplies for the next Global Cardboard Challenge. We surpassed that goal and ended up raising over \$320!

Riverside Community Schools plan to host another Global Cardboard Challenge in the future.



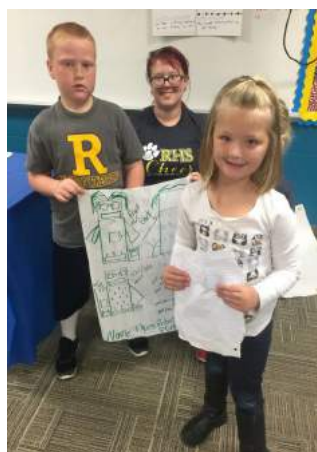
Above: Best Structure: Air Hockey
3rd Grade, Group 68



Above: Kindergarten Winner: Plinko



Above: Best Engineering: Wack-A-Mole
1st Grade



Center: Best Blueprint & Ticket
Winner: Flying Robot Plinko

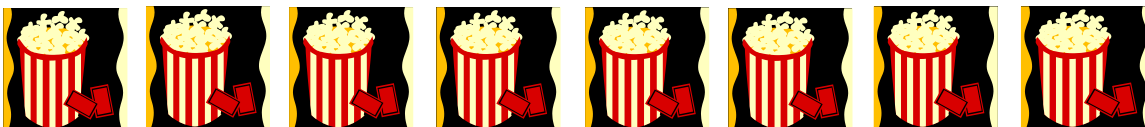
1st Grade

Left: Overall Winner:
Just Dance 4th Grade



A collage of six photographs showing students and teachers working on various projects made from cardboard boxes in a school setting. The projects include a large box structure in a gym, a box with a colorful top, a box with a purple base, a box with a green and white interior, a box with a white interior, and a box with a red interior.

Nov. 3, 4, 5	My Little Pony	PG	1 hr. 4 mins.
Nov. 10, 11, 12	Only The Brave	PG-13	2 hrs. 14 mins.
Nov. 17, 18, 19	Geostorm	PG-13	1 hr. 49 mins.
Nov. 24, 25, 26	Thor: Ragnarok 3D	PG-13	2 hrs. 10 mins





8th period Industrial Class (Michelle Faxon)

Mr. Clausen's class has been working on how to measure, to cut, and to build a roof. Students in the class are Josh, Linnea, Laila, Scotty, Michael, Dustin, Marcos, James, Ethan, Wyatt, Tyler, Drake, Kaiden, Steven, and Jonathan.

Below: Mr. Clausen's Intro to Automobiles students are learning about the cooling system of a vehicle and working on how to remove the radiator.



Students are "sampling" the different events and contests they can do as apart of the National FFA Organization.

They are hammering nails to simulate the Ag Mechanics contest, Judging chicken patties to simulate the Poultry Eval. contest, tasting cheese & identifying it to simulate the Dairy Eval contest, and identifying Meat cuts for the Meat Eval. contest. Tyler Johannsen is the teacher and he supplied the photos.



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**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2017 BLOOD DRIVE 8 AM TO 2 PM
HIGH SCHOOL GYM**

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3 & 4 , 2017 HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL @ 7 PM HS AUDITORIUM

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2017 FREE-WILL DONATION SOUP
SUPPER @ 5:30 PM PRIOR TO MUSICAL**

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2017 FALL SPORTS BANQUET
AWARDS BEGIN @ 6:30 PM in HS AUDITORIUM**

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2017 VETERANS DAY PROGRAM @
2:30 PM HS AUDITORIUM**

**NO SCHOOL NOVEMBER 22 THROUGH NOVEMBER 24
THANKSGIVING BREAK**



Book Bingo (Lynelle Jeppesen)

On Monday, October 2nd the Riverside Principal's Cabinet hosted Book Bingo, an evening to gather Riverside Families and promote literacy. Elementary students and their families enjoyed a free meal provided and served by the Riverside Optimist Club. Students brought gently used books to the event, and when they got a BINGO, they got to choose a different book to take home. The evening was emceed by Frank Olmstead. Students and their families had a great time at the event, and students went home excited about their new books.

Riverside Principal's Cabinet is Riverside's parent-teacher organization. Their fundraising efforts provide nights like Book Bingo, field trips, assemblies, special projects, educational software, and extra classroom supplies.



Principal's Cabinet Row 1: Meredith Martens, Jamie Meek, Lynelle Jeppesen, Cassie Reed
Row 2: Kristy Rieken, Coryn Garrison, Carrie Bane



Above: Nancy Feauto, Barb McCowen, Carm Pigneri, and Steve Feauto serve up the food.

NOVEMBER 2017

Riverside Elementary & Intermediate Schools

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
DID YOU KNOW? American football is the main sport watched in the United States during this month.		1 Breakfast Sandwich Chicken Fried Steak Mashed Potatoes/Gravy B & B Fruit	2 Long John Hash Browns Hamburger on Bun Cheese/Pickles French Fries Fruit IS Tenderloin	3 Biscuit with Sausage Gravy Mini Corn Dogs Baked Beans Sun Chips Fruit
6 Cheese Omelet Hash Browns Pizza Crunchers Marinara Cup Corn Fruit	7 French Toast Stick Pancakes Soft Shell Taco Refried Beans Snickerdoodle Cookie Fruit IS Crispito	8 Breakfast Sandwich McRibb on Bun French Fried Fruit Relish Tray	9 Long John Hash Browns Cheese Omelet Cinnamon Roll Hash Browns Fruit IS Ham/Cheese Melt	10 Biscuit with Sausage Gravy Chicken Patty on Bun Broccoli with Cheese Fruit Elf Grahams
13 Cheese Omelet Hash Browns Tenderloin on Bun French Fries Fruit	14 French Toast Stick Pancakes Chicken Fajitas Lettuce/Cheese/Salsa Broccoli & Fruit IS Mini Corn Dogs	15 Breakfast Sandwich Sloppy Joes Sun Chips Baked Beans Fruit	16 Long John Hash Browns Thanksgiving Dinner Turkey Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Corn Dinner Roll Pumpkin Dessert	17 Biscuit with Sausage Gravy Cheese Breadstick Maranara Sauce Green Beans Relish Tray Fruit
20 Cheese Omelet Hash Browns Chili with Crackers Cinnamon Roll Relish Tray Fruit	21 French Toast Stick Pancakes Hot Dog on Bun Green Beans Fruit Sugar Cookie IS BBQ Beef on Bun	22 NO School	23 NO School	24 NO School
27 Cheese Omelet Hash Browns Fish Nuggets French Fries Relish Tray Fruit B & B	28 French Toast Stick Pancakes Crispito Lettuce/Salsa Green Beans Fruit IS Quesadilla	29 Breakfast Sandwich Mandarin Orange Chicken Seasoned Rice Broccoli & Fruit	30 Long John Hash Browns Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes/Gravy Fruit Dinner Roll IS Beef Nuggets	

A La Carte

Salad Bar Available Daily in all buildings

Milk is available every meal.

For Breakfast:
Cereal/Fruit and or Juice will be offered

You can access your current lunch account balance by accessing JMC. Please contact your school secretary if you have any problems.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

There will be **CHOICES** for Intermediate Students on Tuesdays & Thursday for lunch

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NO SCHOOL

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