



Ridgedale Local School District

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope that you all have had a great weekend and were able to get outside and enjoy the weather. This year's graduation ceremony took place yesterday, Sunday May 17, 2020 and was also broadcast on 94.3 Buckeye Country and their worldwide iHeart radio channel. The ceremony went off without a hitch and was a special moment for both graduates and their families. The Marion Star has posted pictures from yesterday's event and I urge you to get online and see some of our proud graduates. I would like to give my heart felt thanks to Mr. Rossman, Miss Parthemore, Mrs. Leach and Mrs. Swisher for their leadership, organization, and planning for this ceremony, and the Jr/Sr High School staff for their support of the senior class of 2020. It was a very special day that will be remembered for years to come.

Today we were informed that the Earned Income Tax levy that was on the primary election ballot has officially certified as passing by a count of 538 votes for the levy to 536 votes against the levy. With that being said the election will go to an automatic recount, since it is within 1% point. The recount will take place on Wednesday May 27, 2020 beginning at 1:00 p.m. I would like to thank the Ridgedale Community for your support of the Ridgedale Local Schools! We have a great community with great families, great students and a great school system! Thank You!

As we near the end of the school year I would like to remind all students to continue to work on any and all assignments that are due or outstanding through the end of the grading period. For all underclassmen your last day for new assignment's was last Friday May 15, 2020 with all assignments due on Friday May 22, 2020. Grades will be posted in Power school on Friday May 29.

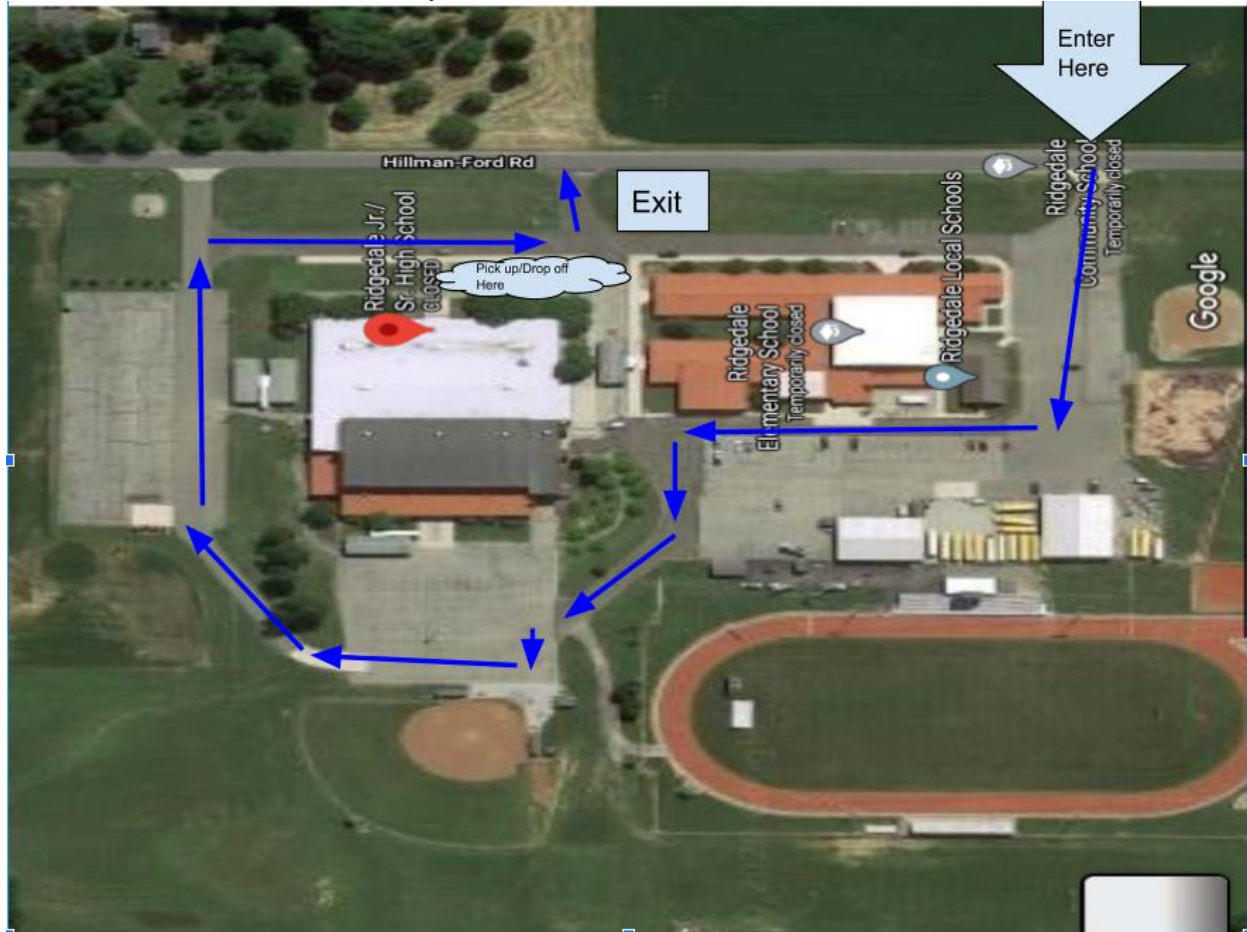
The Jr/Sr High School Textbook, Chromebook and Hotspot return will use the following process:

- Students will arrive during their assigned day/time
- Follow the map (below)
- Any materials that belong to the school are to be returned (including key cards, Chromebooks, chargers, calculators, hotspots, textbooks, etc.)

- Anything that needs to be distributed to students will be given at this time (including awards and items left in personal lockers)
- *If you have, or been exposed to, COVID-19 please let us know and we can make alternate arrangements*

Student Drop Off Days:

- Seniors--May 13th, 3:00 - 6:00 PM
- 6th and 7th Grade--May 18th, 3:00 - 6:00 PM
- 8th and 9th Grade--May 19th, 3:00 - 6:00 PM
- 10th and 11th Grade--May 20th, 3:00 - 6:00 PM



Mr. Staton and the elementary staff have finalized the elementary school property drop off, below is our schedule for dropping off Chromebooks.

Teachers will have any items that students may have left in their locker or the classroom. Parents are to drive up through the middle drive and pull up to the front doors of the elementary. Students and parents are to remain in the car and hand the Chromebook to the teacher/staff member and exit through the south entrance. Teachers and staff will be following state guidelines for social distancing. This is NOT how we wanted our school year to end but we have to follow safety guidelines. Please email your teacher if you are not able to drop off the Chromebook at the designated time.

Elementary Student Drop Off Days:

- Kindergarten – May 26th at 6:00 – 8:00 PM
- 1st Grade – May 27th at 6:00 – 8:00 PM
- 2nd Grade – May 26th 12:00 - 2:00 PM
- 3rd Grade – May 26th 2:30 - 4:30 PM
- 4th Grade – May 28th 1:00 - 4:00 PM
- 5th Grade – May 27th 1:00 - 4:00 PM

Jr/Sr High Yearbooks for 2019-2020 are available for ordering through the end of May, there are three ways to order I have added the form to our website ridgedaleschools.org.

Reminder, the Tuesday and Thursday meal delivery schedule will come to an end this Thursday May 21, 2020. I would like to thank all of the cooks, bus drivers and other staff volunteers for making the meal deliveries a great success.

As a reminder, as we prepare for next school year, information and forms for the following can be found on our website. Please share this information with anyone you know that may be interested, if you need assistance please email me at rbritton@ridgedaleschools.org.

1. **Preschool** – we are still accepting applications for preschool electronically or via US mail service. Forms can be found at ridgedaleschools.org
2. **Kindergarten Registration** – Due to the mandated closure we are postponing until a later date. You will receive the new date when it is set.
3. **Open Enrollment** – We are accepting open enrollment applications beginning through May 31, 2020, electronically or via US mail. OE form is at ridgedaleschools.org

The next meeting of the Ridgedale Board of Education will take place tonight May 18, 2020 beginning at 6:30 p.m. This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom. If you would like to attend please contact me at rbritton@ridgedaleschools.org for you Zoom invitation.

For the most up to date Covid-19 information log on to the District website at ridgedaleschools.org. Remember, if you need any assistance please call, 740-382-6065, and we will get back with you as soon as possible. Have a great evening!

Sincerely,
Robert A. Britton, Superintendent
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