

Dear Roadrunners:

Here is your Family Newsletter:

Start Times

The following are important times to note...

7:40am Cafeteria opens for Breakfast (Please do not send students to school prior to 7:40am)

7:45am Supervision on Campus Starts (If student is not eating breakfast, this is when drop off begins)

8:00am Classroom Doors Open

8:05am Official Start Time, Learning for the Day Officially Begins

*If you arrive after 8:05am, please come to the front office entry to drop off your student.

Morning Drop Off

If you are walking or biking please use the walking paths around campus and if biking, please dismount when coming on campus. We have lots of staff on duty, so please let us know if you need anything.

When dropping off/picking up via car, you have two options (please note the procedures are a little different per zone):

**Southside (Stuart St.) Kiss-n-Go Procedures
2022-2023**

1. Park behind (East of) the bus zone marked by the Kid Loading Zone Signs and or cones, **PLEASE STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE**
2. Park behind the next car facing west, **do not pull in front of other cars**; this line will move forward when students begin unloading in the AM and loading into cars in the PM.
3. As the line moves forward westbound, staff will help guide your student safely, **from** in the AM and **to** in the PM your car. Your child may get in and out of your vehicle independently and use the sidewalk to enter campus at the open gate. **You no longer need to wait for an attendant to open your door.**

4. When your student is loaded, you may progress into west-moving traffic on Stuart. There are **no U-turns**. If you need to head eastbound on Stuart, take a left on Welch and continue around the block to access Stuart East Bound Traffic.

If this procedure does not work for your family, please park either on the Southside of Stuart Street and use crosswalks to come onto campus to meet your student, or park on Stuart, east of the Brookwood intersection.

OR

**Westside (Front of School) Kiss-n-Go Procedures
2022-2023**

1. **Pull into the dedicated Drop off lane in the front of the school and PLEASE STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE during all drop off.**
2. Pull up until you round the side of the school and see the cones and staff. **Do not pull in front of other cars**; this line will move forward when students begin unloading in the AM and loading into cars in the PM.
3. **As the line moves forward northbound, staff will come to your car, open the door, help with car seats and seatbelts, and help gather all the belongings. Please do not get out of your car.**
4. **During pick up at the end of the day, we also need your help and support. Please stay in order in line and join the back of the line when you arrive. Stay in your car and we will bring your child(ren) to your car. *It really helps when you put your last name on a sign on the dash so we can call your student quickly.***

If we all do our part, we will maintain a safe and efficient process. From dismissal time to when every student has been put in a car is under 10 minutes if you use our pick-up lanes! This is phenomenal work on the part of our families and staff. Please contact the main office if you need help figuring out a plan that works for you and your child. We are here to help!

Change in Dismissal Plans:

In the morning, please make sure to review with your child where to go at dismissal if it changes by day. Also, make sure your child's teacher knows and has the plan for each day. We know that sometimes changes happen. Please call the front office if there is a change during

the school day and you need to communicate it to your child. Our teachers aren't always able to check email or voicemail during the day and so communicating it to the office assures that your child gets the message. We ask that you do this before 1pm as the end of the day gets busy in the office.

News from Child Nutrition:

2022-23 school year: Families must apply to receive free meals!

For the upcoming 2022-23 school year, students will no longer receive free meals unless they have been approved for the Free and Reduced Meals program. This is a change from this year (the 2021-22 school year) with free meals being offered to all PSD students. The program that helped make that possible (related to the pandemic) is ending. For the 2022-23 school year, families must apply and be approved for the Free and Reduced Meals program to receive benefits. **Applications for the 2022-23 school year are now being accepted. See link below to apply:**

<https://www.myschoolapps.com/Home/PickDistrict>

** Please note - Milk is **no longer a free item**. Students who bring a home lunch and take a milk from the cafeteria are charged 75 cents. Milk is included in the price of the School Lunch. **

News from the Front Office:

If you plan on Volunteering at Riffenburgh, you must register with Poudre School District (PSD) thru the following portal (renewals are every 3 years)

<https://www.psdschools.org/community/volunteers>

** Please remember to bring a Government Issued Identification (Drivers License) to school when you check in in as a Visitor or Volunteer. This is a requirement for the Check In process. **

AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS:

Check out the Offerings for Afterschool Clubs on our website:

<https://rif.pedschools.org/learning-community/clubs>

SAC Membership

If you are interested in being on our School Accountability Team, please email gdistler@pedschools.org with the subject line: SAC

School Accountability Teams are a partnership between the school staff, families, and community members that together: look at schoolwide data, create a Unified Improvement Plan for our school, give input on funding and resources, and so much more. We will meet online or in-person, depending on current conditions.

The following are our first two dates for SAC this year:

9/12 5-6:00pm

9/26 5-6:30pm

News from our Music Teacher:

Music Clubs for 4th and 5th grade students!

If your 4th or 5th grade student is interested in joining "Rockin' Roadrunners" or "Roadrunner Choir" please fill out the interest form (see link)! This is **NOT** the official sign up, it is to gauge on how many kids are interested and what days would be ideal!

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News from the PTO:

On Tuesday, August 31st, take the night off from cooking and enjoy a delicious meal at Cafe Mexicali (2925 S. College Avenue). Show the cashier the flyer below (printed copy preferred) and the Riffenburgh PTO will receive 20%!

We have some fun events planned for our Riffenburgh community this year! Please click here (<https://mailchi.mp/1f6a90d8a62b/riffenburgh-pt-news>) to subscribe to PTO emails that will include upcoming events, volunteer opportunities, important dates, and more! Also, please check out our new website (www.RiffenburghPTO.com) to keep up-to-date on PTO activities.

The Riffenburgh Elementary School back-to-school spirit wear sale has begun! Save 30% on everything in the store through September 7th. Choose from hundreds of spirit wear designs and garments that are delivered to your home in days! Visit <https://1stplace.sale/16549>.

RIFFENBURGH AN IB WORLD SCHOOL BACK-TO-SCHOOL SALE!

**30% OFF
SITEWIDE!**

**FREE SHIPPING
ORDERS OVER \$60**



UPCOMING DATES:

- No School Monday, September 5, 2022 (Labor Day)
- No School Friday, September 16, 2022 (Staff Only)