

Dear Roadrunners:

Here is your Family Newsletter:

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:

We are hiring for a Crossing Guard – 2 hours a day. Please see link for more information and/or to apply:

<https://psdschools.tedk12.com/hire/index.aspx>

We request that students aren't crossing Prospect until at least 7:35 as there is no crossing guard before then and campus isn't open until 7:40 for breakfast or 7:45 for recess. We request adult supervision by a family member when students are using the crosswalk outside of the 7:35-8:10am and 2:40-3:20pm times. Please ensure that your student knows the rules of crossing: Wait for the adult on duty to signal to them to cross, walk your bike, and listen to the adult on duty.

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 Health Office:

When returning to school from an illness - Any of the following symptoms which are not usual symptoms of a documented chronic condition† (regardless of vaccination status): fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea – require a **NEGATIVE Covid test** (home test is accepted) – EXCEPT for situations such as If you have had a household exposure to COVID-19 in the previous 10 days you should have a negative lab test (PCR or molecular) to rule out COVID-19 infection. At-home test results do not apply.

Please email all test results with **student name, date and time** to:

tbouchard@psdschools.org (health tech)

jhoughton@psdschools.org (district nurse)

News from our Music Teacher:

Hello Riffenburgh 4th and 5th grade families!

Thank you so much for the input on the two clubs! Based on the information you provided, we have decided to go with both clubs every week! Please read the information below about each club and how to sign up. **Signups will be due NEXT Friday, September 9th by 3pm. Due to the high interest in these groups, we will absolutely not be able to accept anyone who signs up after this date.** Please ensure that your student is not in another club that conflicts with these dates and times before filling out the forms.

Roadrunner Choir:

Tuesdays 3-4pm

Due to the interest in this group, we are confident that every student who signs up for this group will be able to participate. If the sign up produces more students than were initially interested, we will do a lottery style drawing to pull 30 names. Priority will be given to students who were not selected for the Rockin' Roadrunners, however, students are still encouraged to sign up for both if they wish. Please fill out the following form to sign your child up for Roadrunner Choir.

<https://forms.gle/bC8y5vyw3Qu8p31GA>

Rockin' Roadrunners:

Wednesdays 3-4pm

Due to the interest in this group, we will be doing a lottery style drawing to select students. The interest form will ask what the students first and second choice instruments are and we will separate the drawing based on that information. If they are not selected for their first choice, they will be put into the pot for their second choice. After names are drawn, you will get a call/email about what instrument your student was selected to play on Monday, September 12. **If you do not respond within 24 hours saying yes, my student will participate or no, my student will not participate, then we will have to drop your student from the list and move on to the next.** Unfortunately, this timeline has to be so

tight because of the high interest. Please fill out the link below if your student is interested in joining the rock band.

<https://forms.gle/x8FEWNkE82ZfAyD48>

Again, all signups are **DUE by FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th at 3pm**. After names are selected, I will send out a large email to families letting you know more information about start dates.

Please reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

Thank you!

SRO Partnership

Dear parents/guardians,

I want to let you know that School Resource Officer, Dexter Rowe, periodically visits classrooms for instructional purposes. Many of you have met him on our campus as he helps with Drop off and Pick Up and greets students throughout the day. He also teaches Internet safety, saying no to peer pressure, being safe at school, and other relevant topics. He may also be called upon to address topics in the classroom that relate to his field of expertise. If you would like your student to be a part of these sessions, you do not need to do anything. If you do not want your student to be a part of session that include our SRO, you may opt your student out of this by responding with an email to our Office Manager, Gretchen Distler, indicating that you do not wish for your child or children to be a part of a session with the SRO. If you do not opt out, it will be assumed that your student may attend.

We also celebrate students with our Rutt Rowe Award for students showing Respect, Acts of Kindness, or Growth in their Skills. You may also choose to opt out of your child possibly receiving this award by emailing Mrs. Distler.

The goal of the Poudre School District School Resource Officer program is to provide a safe learning environment while improving relations between students, staff, and law enforcement officials. For more information, visit the School Resource Officer

Program web page (.<https://www.psdschools.org/schools/school-resource-officer-program>). Thank you!!

News from the PTO:

We will have our first PTO meeting on Monday, September 12th at 6pm. Childcare and pizza will be provided and we will discuss volunteering opportunities and exciting events for the school year. If you are interested in attending, please sign up [here](#) so we can make sure we have enough pizza. Also, please let us know what volunteer opportunities/events you are interested in learning about [here](#).

UPCOMING DATES:

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