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October 2011

PRINCIPAL'S



Parents & Students-

I want to thank everyone for their cooperation in helping complete a very successful PLAN test for our sophomore class. Hopefully all the juniors and seniors enjoyed a little extra sleep on that day. We look forward to

getting back the PLAN test results and sharing those with each sophomore and their parents at a future SEOP conference with their counselors.

I also want to thank the Sophomore class officers who just completed their sophomore week with some great events that helped our sophomore students feel at home in their new surroundings. The week was concluded with a great assembly that was put on for all sophomores followed by some well-deserved ice cream.

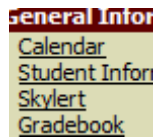
I wanted to share a thought I recently shared with my staff here at Riverton High about what a great place this school is because of the great atmosphere that has been created by everyone involved and looking out for each other. From the book Wisdom of Wolves, Twyman Towery shared an anonymous quote that states, "There is no limit to what you can accomplish if you don't care who gets the credit." This is something I have challenged my staff to take to heart and I would like to extend that challenge to each student that attends our school as well. I don't think there is a task too difficult to accomplish when we all work together. The fact that our very own mascot emulates the importance of working together and focusing on the PACK rather than the individual wolf tells us the value of each member. I am always impressed with the things we accomplish as a school because everyone seems to look out for and respects each other. So, I challenge each of you to keep that thought in mind as you participate in any activity or class here at Riverton High.

Finally, I just want to remind everyone of Parent Teacher Conferences next Tuesday and Wednesday from 4-7:30 pm. We will hold those in the gymnasium, so please come and take the time to meet your student's teachers to see how your children are doing and what they can work on to continue to be successful in the future.

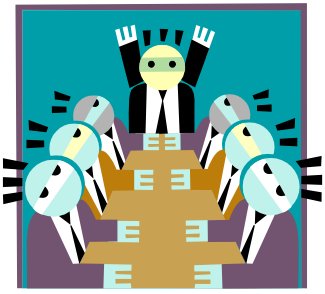
Receiving Email and Text Alerts From Skyward

Steps to receive alerts:

1. Login to Skyward using Parent login and password (Stop by the school if you need one we can't give them out over the phone.)
2. Look for skylert on the left hand side.
3. Click on Skylert link, then in the upper right hand corner click edit.
4. Notice that you can receive alerts to primary Guardian, and to additional contacts that you enter. You can change when you get alerts for emergency, attendance, and general.
5. Down at the bottom there is a place where you can enter up to two phone numbers to receive text messages. Standard text messaging rates apply, if you do not have a good texting plan you might just want emergency texts. You may want to enter your students phone as well to receive information from the school.
6. It's that easy to adjust the way and frequency of the messages from the school.



For farther help with these functions you may email, Mr. Halliday—mark.halliday@jordan.k12.ut.us Thanks for using the skylert system.



Town Hall

Meetings

From Jordan School Board of Education:

The Jordan School District is looking forward to a great school year. Below is the date and location of the next Town Hall Meeting. All members are welcome to attend this session. There are many important issues facing education currently. We want and need your input to help us move forward in a positive and effective way. Your voice is important.

During the last two months Dr. Johnson, our new superintendent, has conducted focus group sessions with teachers, support staff, principals, district leaders, and the mayors. They have given her their priorities to improve education in the district. We would like to ask our owners -YOU- the same questions. Please attend and let your voice be heard!

Oct. 27, 2011

7-8:30PM

Bluffdale Elementary, Gym

14323 S. 2700 West, Bluffdale

National Honor Society

The National Honor Society's purpose is to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, and to promote leadership. Riverton High School is proud to be one of more than 23,000 schools to have their own chapter of NHS. We invite all to apply with a GPA of 3.7 or higher. Juniors and Seniors are encouraged to pick up an application in Mrs. Pitchers room. The deadline for Juniors and Seniors is the end of first quarter. Sophomores will be invited at the beginning of second semester. We hope to see many new faces! ~ Ms. Pitcher, Mrs. Jolley, and the NHS Officers.

Attention Juniors

The PSAT will be held on October 13, 2011. The cost is \$15.00 payable in the Main Office. **This test is the only way to qualify for National Merit Scholarship Money,** which depending on your score, could get you a full ride to any college anywhere.

You will be able to pay and sign up in the main office starting September 26th.

Space is limited to the first 150 students to sign up.

Exploring College Options

Duke—Georgetown—Harvard—Penn—Stanford

There will be Student/Parent Information Session for the above colleges on Tuesday, October 4 at 7:30 at the Hilton Salt Lake City Center; 255 South West Temple. Phone number is 801-328-2000. For more information please visit www.exploringcollegeoptions.org.

Counseling Center Corner



Seniors: College Tour will be held Thursday, October 27, during periods 5 and 6. Please report to your 5th period class and you will be called down to the Auditorium at 7:50. You will obtain information regarding college planning and will have the opportunity to visit with 3 Utah college representatives of your choice.

Also Seniors and parents; please plan to attend an informative presentation concerning Financial Aid/Scholarship/FAFSA information on Wednesday, October 26, from 7—9:00PM. It will be held at Bingham High School (2160 W. 10400 S.). After a 45 minute presentation, college representatives from Utah's colleges and universities will be available to answer questions.

We will have ACT prep classes for each one of the tests except Feb. and June, with an additional one in March for the juniors' test. The free ACT prep class dates for the December test are:

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
ENGLISH	MATH	SCIENCE
Nov. 15	Nov. 16	Nov. 17
Nov. 29	Nov. 30	Dec. 1
Dec. 6	Dec. 7	Dec.

ACT Test Dates 2011–2012

Test Date	Registration Deadline	(Late Fee Required)
September 10, 2011	August 12, 2011	August 13 – 26, 2011
October 22, 2011	September 16, 2011	September 17 – 30, 2011
December 10, 2011	November 4, 2011	November 5 – 18, 2011
February 11, 2012*	January 13, 2012	January 14 – 20, 2012
April 14, 2012	March 9, 2012	March 10 – 23, 2012
June 9, 2012	May 4, 2012	May 5 – 18, 2012

RHS Shakespeare Team



The school Shakespeare Team will be performing Thursday, Oct. 6th during 8th period in the RHS Auditorium. All RHS English and Humanities classes (and family members of the competitors) are invited to attend. We will be performing our Shakespeare Dance Ensemble (inspired by Hamlet), our Dance Duo (inspired by Troilus and Cressida), our Shakespeare Acting Ensemble (Much Ado About Nothing) and 3 monologues and 2 scenes. The Shakespeare Team will be competing Oct. 6, 7, and 8th at the Utah Shakespeare Festival. We will also be seeing Festival Productions of *Dial M for Murder* and *Noises Off*. Technical Theatre students will also be competing in the Technical Olympics.

If you are interested in our New York City trip in June of 2012, come pick up an information packet from Mr. Eaton in the drama room. Deposits of \$350 are due by Oct. 28th.

Drama and Shakespeare students will be seeing a production of *The Tempest* at Pioneer Theatre Company on Wednesday, Oct. 26th. Tickets are \$5.00 and go on sale in October. See Mr. Eaton or Ms. McGuire for more information.

Plan now on attending the RHS School Musical *Annie Get Your Gun* in November. Tickets will be \$8.00 for adults and \$7.00 for students. Come see this fantastic Western Musical Comedy!



RHS Girls Basketball

Girl's Basketball 'Open Gym' will be held on the following dates from 6pm-8pm in the Riverton High School main gym: **October 18, 26, 27, & November 2, 3**

Any girls grades 9-12 who wish to try out for one of the Riverton girl's basketball teams should plan on attending. There is no charge and basketballs and hoops are available for you to practice with.

Girls Basketball Team tryouts will be held on November 7th & 8th. Exact times to be announced. Check the Riverton high website link to Girls Basketball for updates. Parents or players with questions or concerns may contact Coach Ron Ence at: ron.ence@jordan.k12.ut.us

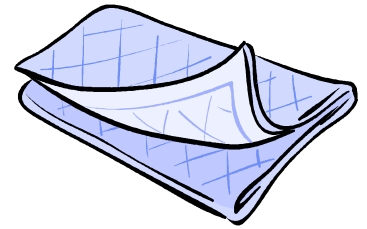
RHS Boys Basketball

Wanna try out for the boys' basketball team?
Not currently in a fall sport?

Come joins us for our FALL FUNDAMENTALS CAMP to be held on October 3rd, 12th, & 13th at RHS. Get more details at our team website www.rivertonbasketball.com or by contacting Coach Galley @ steven.galley@jordan.k12.ut.us.

FALL TRYOUTS FOR 7th/8th grade boys competition basketball teams

Spirit Blankets



RHS softball team is selling the soft, beautiful and most comfortable blankets again. They are \$50.00 and worth every penny. You may purchase them at football games and in the main office. Hurry and get one for you and your child. Supplies are limited and no re-order will be done this year. Thank you for your support, RHS Softball Coaching Staff and Players

RHS Marching Band

The RHS Marching Band is hosting a competition (Wasatch Front Invitational) at Herriman High School on October 1st. Twenty-eight marching bands from around the states of Utah and Idaho will be performing their shows. The competition runs from 10am-7pm. RHS performs at 4:15. We would love to have you there - come stay for the day or just a short time. Cost of tickets is \$4.00 for senior citizens and students, \$5.00 for adults, and \$20.00 for a family (immediate family).

RHS Orchestra

RHS Orchestra presents
Night at the Movies
Tuesday, October 25 at
7:00 pm

Come hear music from some of your favorite movies: Disney's Tarzan, West Side Story, Schindler's List and more.

Suggested donation \$4/person or \$10/family



Riverton High School PTSA

The PTA Is Selling Car Flags, Banners, PJ Pants and Vinyl Car Decals

Show your school spirit! Get your RHS Silverwolves car flags (\$10) and banners (\$40) today!! There are also PJ Pants (\$20) and decals (\$5 - \$6). These items will be available for purchase during all home games. If you have pre-ordered flags/banners, they can be picked up at the home games or at Jill Paulson's home. Questions? Call Jill at (801) 557-9383.



THANK YOU

The RHS PTSA would like to thank the following for their donations for the 2011 Graduation Party:

Scott Brown at Lawyers' Endowment for Accident Prevention; The Lodges at Glenwood and Raintree in Provo; Texas Roadhouse; Swire Coca-Cola; Little Caesars Pizza; Arctic Circle; Broomhead Funeral Home; In and Out Burger; Skull Candy, Costco, Petersons; Lagoon; Seven Peaks; Buckle; Forever Young; Kentucky Fried Chicken; 1-800-Contact; Zumiez; Melanie Lipscomb; Heather Jenkins; Neil and Jen Hymas; Anonymous; Barnes and Noble; Boondocks Fun Center

Thank you for making the party a great success!

Want to know how you can receive a gift card?!

Riverton High PTSA
Needs Student Entries For

2011-2012 REFLECTIONS

THEME: "DIVERSITY MEANS..."

Try your hand at Music Composition, 3-D Art, Photography, Film Production, Dance Choreography, Literature, Visual Arts or Theatre Production!

Ask your teacher if it can be used for extra credit!

Entries are due: Monday, October 24, 2011

Pick up your entry form at the Media Center

When you hand in your entry, you'll receive a gift card!

Questions? Kiku Oldroyd - kikuoldroyd@gmail.com

Tammy Musgrove - tammyjom@msn.com

Angela Chamberlain - chamberlain.angela@gmail.com



Driver Education Ranges

Please assume that a driver education range session is scheduled in the north student parking lot most weeks on Monday–Friday from

3–6 PM as well as most school holidays and Saturday (beginning at 7:00 or 8:00 AM). The range area is posted with signs and the parking stalls are painted a maroon color. If you park in a yellow parking stall you are safe. **We really do not like to ticket or tow vehicles.** Please ASSUME that there will be a range and move your vehicle from the maroon stalls. Thank you for your cooperation.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences are on Tuesday, October 4, from 4–8:00PM or Wednesday, October 5, from 4–7:30 PM. Teachers will be in the gymnasium in alphabetical order for your convenience.

Tips for Parents

By Anita Nielsen—School Psychologist

Dealing with Anger

You can handle your angry feelings:

1. Cool off, stay calm
 - Count to ten
 - Walk away
 - Take a deep breath
 - Use calming self-talk
2. Give yourself some time to sort things out.
 - Write the problem down on paper.
 - Think it through
 - Talk it over with a friend or adult you trust.
3. Turn your angry energy into a change for the better.
 - Tell how you feel to the person making you angry.
 - Channel your angry energy into a physical activity.
 - Try to solve the problem.
 - Try to accept situations you can't change.





HEALTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Jordan School District
2827 W 13400 S
Riverton, UT 84065

Phone: (801) 567-8515
Fax: (801) 567-8521
<http://departments.jordandistrict.org/healthservices/>

What We Do for Families

Assist families in applying for and retaining health coverage through state programs including:

- Medicaid: Various programs such as Emergency Medicaid (for noncitizens), Prenatal, Medically Needy (Spendedown), Family Medicaid, Specified Relative (Grandparents caring for grandchildren)
- Disability Medicaid. Assist families with the application process and collection of documents required for the Medical Review Board. We know this is can be a long process but we will work side by side with families.
- **CHIP-** Children's Health Insurance Program
- **PCN-** Primary Care Network
- **UPP-** Utah Premium Partnership

Provide vouchers for clothing and household items at Deseret Industries

Advice and guidance through important transition steps for disabled children turning 18, such as:

- Guardianship process
- Disability Medicaid for adults
- SSI application for disabled adults

Connect families with other resources such as:

- HEAT: Applications taken November-April
- SSI
- WIC
- UTAP
- Food Stamps
- Free/Reduced Lunch Program
- Prescription Discounts
- Sub for Santa
- DSPD
- HIP Utah and HIP Federal
- Food Banks
- Jordan Education Foundation
- Free or Reduced Medical Clinics
- Alternative Health Programs such as IHC's SelectHealth Kids
- Head Start
- Baby Your Baby
- Shriners

High School 1 YEARS

Working together for lifelong success

Short Stops

Happy beginnings

Help your teen leave the house in the morning on a positive note. Giving a high five or saying, "Have a great day!" can set the tone for the whole day. If you leave before your child does, try putting a note on the table or sticking one to her backpack.

On the map

Which ocean borders Europe? Is Hawaii north or south of the equator? To increase your high schooler's knowledge of geography, suggest that he print out blank maps (try www.eduplace.com/ss/maps). You can challenge him to fill in details like countries and their capitals, lakes, and mountain ranges. Where would he like to travel someday?

Scavenger fun

Turn off the TV, power down the computers, and enjoy a flashlight scavenger hunt tonight. Hide items (red socks, tube of toothpaste) around the house, and give everyone a list of the "treasures." Then, shut off the lights, and use flashlights to search. The person who finds the most items sets up the next round.

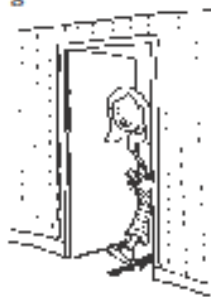
Worth quoting

"That is what learning is. You suddenly understand something you've understood all your life, but in a new way." *Doris Lessing*

Just for fun

Q: What lets you walk through walls?

A: A door!



Building responsibility

The ultimate goal of parenting is to work yourself out of a job. After all, you want your teenager to be capable of handling daily duties so she can stand strong when she's on her own. Start preparing your adolescent for adulthood by teaching her to be responsible. Try these steps:

1. Tell her up front that she is in charge of a certain job (say, monitoring her bank account or setting the table for dinner). Let her know it's up to her to get it done from now on.
2. Work with your high schooler side by side so she can see how to do it. For instance, you might show her how to enter what she spends in her checkbook and then calculate the balance.
3. Remind your teen that privileges come with responsibility. *Example:* She may be able to drive your car, but in

return, she's expected to do errands for you while she's out.

4. Don't rescue your teenager if she doesn't take care of a responsibility. If she overdraws her bank account, she will have to pay bank fees.

5. Give her new tasks one at a time. That way, she can get used to doing them without being overwhelmed. Once she seems comfortable and a job has become a habit, you can move on to the next responsibility. 👍



Savvy searches

When your child looks for information on the Internet, he may end up with thousands of results. Share these techniques to help him narrow his searches.

Quotation marks. If you're searching for exact words, put them in quotation marks ("astronomy careers") to get results that include both words together. *Note:* It's generally not necessary to use articles or prepositions.

"Advanced" searches. Use the "Advanced" feature to specify words you do—and don't—want. For example, when writing an essay about an author's nonfiction works, *include* the author's name and "nonfiction" and *exclude* "fiction." You can also choose a domain type to search for more accurate information (.edu for educational sites or .gov for government sites, for example, rather than .com, which can be created by anyone). 👍



High School YEARS

Colaborar para el éxito durante toda la vida

Notas Breves

Comienzos alegres

Ayude a su hija a que salga contenta de casa por la mañana. Chocar las palmas de las manos o decirle "¡Que pases buen día!" puede sentar el tono para el resto de la jornada. Si usted se marcha antes que su hija, procure dejarle una nota en la mesa o mézcala en la mochila.

En el mapa

¿Qué océano limita Europa? ¿Hawaí está al norte o al sur del ecuador? Para aumentar los conocimientos de geografía de su hijo, sugiérole que imprima mapas en blanco (consígalos en www.eduplace.com/ss/maps). Puede desafiarlo a que rellene detalles como los países con sus capitales, lagos y cordilleras. ¿Adónde le gustaría viajar algún día?

Busca entretenida

Apaguen la TV, desconecten las computadoras y disfruten de una busca del tesoro esta noche a la luz de una linterna. Esconda objetos (calcetines rojos, tubo de pasta de dientes) por la casa y deles a todos una lista con los "tesoros". A continuación, apaguen las luces y usen linternas para iluminarse. La persona que encuentra más objetos se encarga de preparar la búsqueda siguiente.

Valo la pena citar

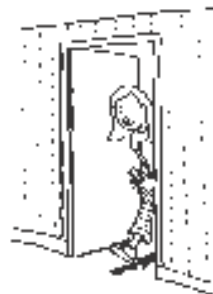
"En eso consiste aprender. De repente entiendes algo que habías entendido toda tu vida, pero de otra forma".

Doris Lessing

Simplemente cómico

P: ¿Qué te deja pasar por las paredes?

R: ¡Una puerta!



Fomentar la responsabilidad

La tarea fundamental de los padres es librarse de un trabajo. Ustedes quieren ante todo que su hija sea capaz de enfrentarse a tareas diarias para que pueda resolverlas con decisión cuando sea independiente. Prepare a su hija adolescente para la vida adulta enseñándole a ser responsable. Pruebe con estos pasos:



1. Dígale directamente que ella está al cargo de cierta tarea (por ejemplo, controlar su cuenta corriente o poner la mesa para la cena). Explíquele que tiene que hacer eso de ahora en adelante.

2. Trabaje al lado de su hija para que ella vea cómo se hace algo. Podría enseñarle a anotar lo que gasta en su chequera y luego calcular el saldo.

3. Recuérdele a su hija que los privilegios conllevan responsabilidades. Quizá le permita manejar su auto, pero a cambio

usted espera que le haga recados cuando salga con él.

4. No rescate a su hija si descuida una de sus responsabilidades. Si su cuenta corriente se queda al descubierto tendrá que pagar la multa del banco.

5. Encárguele sus nuevas tareas de una en una. Así se acostumbrará a hacerlas sin sentirse abrumada. Una vez que se sienta cómoda y el trabajo se haya convertido en un hábito usted puede proceder a la siguiente responsabilidad. 👍

Buscar con sagacidad

Cuando su hijo busca información en Internet es probable que termine con miles de resultados. Comparta estas técnicas con él para ayudarle a precisar sus búsquedas.

Comillas. Si buscas palabras exactas, ponlas entre comillas ("carreras en astronomía") para conseguir resultados que incluyen las dos palabras juntas. *Nota:* En general, no es necesario usar artículos o preposiciones.

Búsquedas "avanzadas". Usa el rasgo "Avanzado" para especificar palabras que quieres y no quieres. Por ejemplo, si escribes un trabajo sobre las obras de no ficción de un determinado autor, incluye el nombre del autor y "no ficción" y excluye "ficción". También puedes realzar una búsqueda por tipo de dominio a fin de obtener información más precisa (.edu para sitios educativos o .gov para los del gobierno, por ejemplo, en lugar de .com que puede ser creado por cualquiera). 👍

