

Ridge Road Reporter



April 2018



Dear Parents,

During the month of May, I will be meeting with the staff members from each grade level, K-3, to begin making classroom placements for the 2018-2019 school year. Our goal is to provide the best possible educational environment for all students. To reach this goal, each grade level team works to create balanced classroom sections with a mix of students by ability, gender, personality and individual special needs.

We are unable to honor specific requests for individual teachers but we do value your input from a parent's perspective. If you have specific information, about your child that you would like us to take into consideration when creating the class lists, please put this information in writing and send it to me at the Ridge Road School Office **by Monday, April 16th**. Information about your child's learning style, strengths, growth areas and personality would be most valuable to us during the placement process.

Please note that all parent input received by the deadline of **April 16th**, will be reviewed during the classroom placement process. However, we cannot guarantee that special requests will be honored. **Once class lists have been distributed, no requests to change classroom placement will be accepted.**

Sincerely,

Mrs. Bailey

Mrs. Anne-Marie Manikowski-Bailey
Ridge Road Elementary Principal

The Horseheads Central School District offers educational programs without regard to gender, race, color, national origin or disability. Inquiries regarding this policy may be made to Megan Collins, Title IX Coordinator, or Kim Williams, Section 504 Coordinator, Horseheads Central School District, One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845 (607) 739-5601

The Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) for Ridge Road is Anne-Marie Bailey. Complaints regarding discrimination, harassment, or bullying of any Ridge Road student should be referred to Mrs. Bailey at 607-739-6351. The Dignity Act Coordinator for the Horseheads Central School District is Mrs. Collins. Mrs. Collins may be reached at One Raider Lane, Horseheads, NY 14845, 607-739-5601, x4211

2nd Grade Concert
6:30 pm Friday, April 6th

Come one, Come all!! Please join us for the 2nd grade concert on Friday, April 6th at 6:30 in the Ridge Road Café. The students have been working closely with Mrs. Proulx to prepare for this concert and it is sure to be a wonderful experience for all who attend!

Character Education Community Service Project

A big thank you to our Second Grade students and teachers for organizing the Community Service Drive for the Animal Shelters this past month. On April 9th, our second grade students will be loading the school busses and delivering a wonderful supply of food, blankets, leashes and many other items to the shelters.

Thanks so much to everyone that donated!

Our Focus for the Month of April will be on **Responsibility**. We will focus on being responsible by taking care of our school and school grounds.

Grandparents'/Special Friends' Day

Friday, April 20th is Grandparents'/Special Friends' Day at Ridge Road. This is always a very popular and fun day for our students and guests. Please make sure you have filled out the information form and returned it to your child's teacher so we can plan appropriately for all of our guests.

Kindergarten Orientation

Kindergarten Orientation for all students starting Kindergarten at Ridge Road in the fall will be held May 9th from 9:00-11:00.

Also, if you know of families with young children that may have just moved to the area, please have them contact us at the Ridge Road Office at 739-6351.

Screening for incoming Kindergarten students will be by appointment the week of May 14th thru the 17th.

Notes from the School Nurse

School Physicals- Beginning 7/1/18 all New York State public school students must have a health exam when they enter school as a new entrant and in Pre-K or Kindergarten and grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9.

Head Lice- All year long but especially during the winter months children are wearing and sharing hats and brushes and that leads to head lice being spread around. Although we love children to be kind and share with each other, please remind your child that hats and hair brushes, combs and accessories should not be shared. If you see your child itching their head- do a head check or call and ask the school nurse to do one. If lice is found- please alert the school nurse so she can provide information on how to eliminate them in your home.

Morning Drop-Off

If you are just dropping your child off in the morning, please drive up the right lane next to the school and let your child out from the passenger side of the vehicle next to the sidewalk.

To help with the morning congestion and allow all parents to get to work on time, the first three cars in line should all be letting the students out at the same time. Students are okay walking up the sidewalk to enter the school. Please don't wait until you are the first car in line and near the steps to let your child out of the car on the passenger side.

Please note that we have only one lane for drop-off. Please only drop your child off from the right lane next to sidewalk. We do not want to have any children walking through traffic.

Birthday Invitations

We respectfully request that birthday invitations **not be handed out in school**. When only some of the students in the classroom are invited to a birthday party, we often end up with hurt feelings and tears. The teacher ends up spending class time comforting upset students instead of instructing. Therefore, unless your child is inviting the entire class to his/her birthday party, please do not give the invitations out in the school setting. Thanks so much for your cooperation in this matter.

Spring Break

School will not be in session on Monday, April 23rd–Friday, April 27th. We will see everyone back on Monday, April 30th. Enjoy your time with family and friends.

Budget Vote

The School District's Budget Vote will be Tuesday May 15, 2018, from 7:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed for the following shifts: 7-11 a.m.; 11 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. and 4:00 – 9:00 p.m. If interested please contact the Business Office at 739-5601 ext. 4260.

RIDGE ROAD “ROCK STARS”

Congratulations to the students that have been selected as the Ridge Road “Rock Stars” for the month of March. These students exhibit all of our Character Education Traits on a regular basis.

Mrs. Fazzary
Casper Wetherbee

Mrs. Stoltzfus
Evelyn Mattoon
Scott Pike, Jr.

Mrs. Nelson
Morgan Gale
Eric McGrain

Mari Palmer
Devin Connell
Samara McDowell

Mrs. Beeman
Addie Baker
Khloie Card
Jacob Signor

Ms. Whitney
Ashton Quick
Cally Corsi

Mrs. Conklin
Emma Jones
Sophia Wetherbee

Mrs. Pronti
Noah Thompson
Phoenix Skinner

Mrs. Romanski
Ella Scibek
Riley Abernathy

Mrs. Alexander
Dakota Martin
Landon Wulff

Mrs. Bower
Tyler Sherry
Braden Sternquist

Mrs. Cady

Baylee Lohrke
Zachary Rowling

Mrs. Benton
Lauren Signor
Derek Fullmer

Mrs. Murray
Sharaela Breedlove
Kingston Inthanongsak
Zachary Sands

Ms. Stickler
McKayla Waters
Zander Bates

Mrs. Wolf
Mackenzie Connell
Gary Decker

Ms. DiPetta
Zoraya Harper
Aliciana Villegas

Mrs. Ford
Cameron Woodward
Carver Robbins

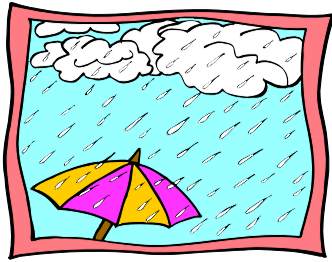
Mrs. Fullmer
Lily Felix
Jaeden Baldwin
Genevieve Carro

Mrs. Janeski
Tyra Blue
Sophia Huslander
Hunter Matkosky

Ms. Wood
Mattisen Johnston
Jacob Swarthout


SPECIAL AREA TEACHERS

Riley Abernathy
Aiden Andrews
Jaeden Baldwin
Riley Baldwin
Madison Bancroft
Mira Barnum
Brandilyn Beach
Sharaela Breedlove
Gavin Brown
Kadence Burchard
Grace Byerly
Aaliyah Cady
Anthony Caporiccio
Brooke Conklin
Xavier Cook
John Cooper
Hailey Earl
Madelyn Ellis
Peighton Ellison
Joshua Farrell
Jacob Gross
Madison Hartsock
Lucas Kemp
Jake Lambert
Josh Lewis
Essanna Marks
Samara McDowell
Aisha Morse
Jackson Palumbo
Allyson Perry
Kaitlyn Procopio
Roland Richardson
Sydney Ryan
Perry Rumsey
Jacob Russell
Ava Sempler
Parker Sempler
Kennidi Sternquist
William Stevens
Olivia Stratton
Michael Strong
Payton Turner
Sophia Weatherbee
Lane Williams



Ridge Road Students' Six Day Calendar April 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	2 NO SCHOOL	3 Day 3 Special Grades Due	4 Day 4 Spring Picture Day!	5 Day 5 8:50-11:30 Bus Drills BOE Budget Mtg. CIM 12-3	6 Day 6 8:50—11:30 Bus Drills Report Cards Go Home 2nd Gr. Concert 6:30 pm in RR Café	7
8	9 Day 1 CSE's SITE TEAM 2:30 2nd Gr. Field Trip to Animal Shelters 9-11	10 Day 2 PTO Planning 6:00 PTO General Mtg 6:30 in the RR Library	11 Day 3 NO SWIMMING Faculty Mtg. 2:35 ELA State Tests Grades 3 & 4	12 Day 4 NO SWIMMING ELA State Tests Grades 3 & 4	13 Day 5	14
15	16 Day 6 CSE Meetings	17 Day 1	18 Day 2	19 Day 3	20 Day 4 Grandparents/ Special Friends Day!	21
22 <i>Swim Classes Days 2&5 Ford & McGrain Days 3 & 6 Fullmer & Janeski</i>	23 Day SPRING RECESS NO SCHOOL	24 SPRING RECESS NO SCHOOL	25 SPRING RECESS NO SCHOOL	26 SPRING RECESS NO SCHOOL	27 SPRING RECESS NO SCHOOL	28
29	30 Day 5					