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Dear Parents/Guardians and Students:

Greetings, Hawk Families! As the start of the final marking period of the school year draws near, I wanted to take this opportunity to reach out and share some important information. Anyone who has not ordered the River Dell Middle School yearbook, *Black and Gold*, has until March 31st to do so. Order forms can be found on the school website at <https://rdms.riverdell.org/>. Waiting until the end of the school year does not guarantee there will be enough extra copies sent to the school for purchase. Pre-ordering before April guarantees you a copy.

Recently, many of our students have discovered some items of interest at one of the local dollar stores. These items do not have a place in a school, as they have become a disruption to the learning environment. Please speak to your student about what is and what is not appropriate during school hours.

Next week, all students will take part in an infrastructure test related to the upcoming New Jersey Student Learning Assessments. Mr. Jasinski will be in touch soon with the testing schedule for May that will include the RDMS schedule for the Science, Mathematics, and Literacy Arts sections.

Also, next week, students in grade 7 will receive an email with a link to an important survey pertaining to next year's scheduling. More information on that will be shared in the RD101 classes this week. In addition, grade 8 students will begin meeting with high school counselors Tuesday to select classes for next fall.

In community news, a presentation of *Holocaust Remembrance* will take place on April 6th courtesy of the River Edge Public Library, The River Edge Cultural Center, and The Friends of the Library of River Edge. Topics covered will include Jewish Refugees from Nazism, World War II Military Intelligence (as seen on 60 Minutes), and today's Ukraine Conflict and how it all fits together. The program will be presented by Dr. David Frey, Wednesday, April 6th at 7 PM via Zoom. Dr. David Frey is Professor of History and Founding Director of the Center for Holocaust & Genocide Studies (CHGS) at the US Military Academy at West Point. If interested, please pre-register at www.riveredgepubliclibrary.org.

Best Regards,

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