

RIVER DELL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

Greetings, Hawk Families! With Halloween approaching, I thought it important to reach out regarding costume expectations in addition to some other important information pertaining to the days and weeks ahead. Students are allowed to wear costumes to school Monday, but as I have reminded everyone, learning is the number one priority and disruptions to class should be minimal. Costumes that involve masks, face paint, fake scars, or anything that would conceal one's identity should be avoided. Costumes must be appropriate and should in no way be perceived as offensive to anyone or any group of people. Fake weapons or any items that can be used as weapons are not permitted in school. I encourage our students and staff to have fun while realizing that classes are still in session.

Students will have a chance to retake pictures on Wednesday, November 2nd. There is a second attachment to this email containing more information about pictures. Students will report to the auditorium during lunch if there is either a need for retakes or if pictures must be taken for the first time due to an absence on September 9th.

Election Day, November 8th, is a one-session day for students. Classes will begin at regular time and end at 12:05. There are no lunch periods on a one-session day. Classes will resume as regularly scheduled November 9th before being closed on the 10th and 11th for the NJEA Teachers' Convention.

Disconnected is an assembly program all River Dell students will view during the school day on November 16th. The same program will be presented that evening in the River Dell High School Auditorium at 7:00. Parents are encouraged to attend this program, presented by Tom Kersting, which covers the amount of time kids spend on electronic devices each day, the byproduct of this time spent, and tips to help live in the real world and less in the cyber world.

Please see below for important upcoming events on the school calendar. Have a wonderful weekend!

October 31: Halloween November 10-11: No Classes

November 2: Picture Retakes November 16: *Disconnected* - 7PM

November 8: One Session Day

November 23: One Session Day

November 9: End of Marking Period 1 November 24-25: No Classes

Best Regards,

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