

RIVER DELL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

Greetings, Hawk Families! Congratulations on a successful first week of school! The hallways are filled with energy as the students continue to adjust well to the start of the 2023-2024 school year. As mentioned in a previous email, *Back to School Night* will be held next Thursday evening, September 14th at 7:00. Our counselors will host a very brief and optional presentation in the auditorium at 6:30 with the objective of providing parents with helpful tips for students and problem-solving strategies for a wide array of potential issues.

The evening is designed to give you an overview of your student's daily middle school schedule as well as some basic information about each class. You will find a sample template attached to this email that your student should fill out to help you navigate the evening. Keep in mind, one will be filled out in homeroom next week and brought home and one will also be left with your student's period one teacher as a backup. Maps will be handed out Thursday night in the hallways as well.

For parking, please use the front entrance off Woodland Avenue or the street. Staff will be using the entire lot off Fifth Avenue, so please avoid pulling in off Surrey or Kenwood. Hopefully, the weather cooperates so nearby families have the option of walking.

During the school day, students will follow a one-session schedule that will <u>not</u> include lunch and ends at 12:05. Please make the necessary arrangements with your student to accommodate this alternate schedule:

Period	Start	End	Length
1	7:50	8:19	29
2	8:23	8:52	29
3	8:56	9:25	29
4	9:29	9:57	28
5/6,6/7	10:01	10:29	28
8	10:33	11:01	28
9	11:05	11:33	28
10	11:37	12:05	28

The River Dell Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO) will have a table September 14th to sell River Dell gear and to provide an opportunity to join this worthwhile organization! More information about the PTSO is expected to be emailed to all River Dell families early next week.

Unrelated to *Back to School Night*, on Saturday, September 30th, the River Dell Regional School District is proud to present the third *River Dell Health & Wellness Fair* in the stadium at River Dell High School. Join us for entertainment, mental health resources, activities for the family, games, food trucks, and much more! The rain date is October 1st. We hope to see everyone there! The event runs from 4:00 until 6:00 PM.

As a reminder, if you plan on visiting the building for any reason, please enter through the front door only and have some form of identification. Any visitor who gains access through the second door should report directly to the Main Office, which is to the left upon entry. Thank you for your anticipated cooperation with this process.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Best Regards,

Robert Urbanovich

Principal, River Dell Middle School

