

## RIVER DELL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

Greetings, Hawk Families! As the summer approaches, school communication will become more frequent with the amount of information that must be shared. Please reach out if there is a need for further clarification in the months ahead.

Although the Scholastic Book Fair being held in the middle school library comes to an end this week, families will still have a chance to shop through March 21<sup>st</sup>. Please use the following link, <a href="https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/riverdellmiddleschool1">https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/riverdellmiddleschool1</a>, to visit the RDMS Book Fair homepage to shop in the Online Fair!

As mentioned in a previous email, starting April 15<sup>th</sup>, middle school students will be required to use lockers as we eliminate the use of backpacks during the day. We rely on the support of our parents/guardians as we anticipate this becoming a requirement for the last few months of the school year and beyond. Students will be allowed to keep a small string bag during the school day, but these bags must be placed inside lockers during lunch. While in class, the string bag must be hung on the back of student chairs.

One of the other attachments in this email contains information about the 11<sup>th</sup> class of the River Dell Junior Police Academy. If you are interested in the program, please read through the attached document, and make note of the due dates and requirements. Any questions can be directed to the officers listed at the bottom of this document.

Monday morning during homeroom, students who are currently in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade will receive information and permission slips for our annual 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Pool Party. You will find both items attached in this email in case you wanted to take an early look, or your student misplaces the hard copies. Any questions regarding this event can be sent to Mr. Stingo, our 7<sup>th</sup> grade advisor.

## **Calendar of Events:**

March 21: 8th Grade Semi-Formal

March 22: French Trip

March 27: Drama Club Program (6:30 PM)

March 28: Last day to order yearbooks!

March 29 - April 7: No Classes

**April 15: Locker Day** 

April 15 – 19: Mental Health Awareness Week

May 9: Student Government "Glow in the Dark" Dance

\*State testing will begin April 30<sup>th</sup>. More information to follow regarding specific testing requirements.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Best Regards,

**Robert Urbanovich** 

Principal, River Dell Middle School

