

RIDGE VIEW COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



DECEMBER 2025

Reminders

Holiday Break

There will be a half a day on December 19th followed by Holiday break. There will be no school from December 22nd until January 2nd. Classes will resume Monday January 5th.

School Board Meeting

The first Wednesday of each month in the RVCS Gym at 6:00pm



PTO

Meetings are at 3:00 on the first Tuesday of each month in RVCS library. Childcare provided for meeting.

A Note from the Office Staff

We ask that if there is going to be a change to a child's transportation for the day to please contact the office via phone or email before **1:15pm**. Doing so will avoid us having to disrupt classes to have students come down to the office to get their bus or walker slips before dismissal.

Need to contact us?

Text us with your phone, and it comes to our e-mail. Instead of a number, simply put in:

rvcsoffice@aos94.org

Type in your message and hit send—it comes directly to our e-mail. Use this for transportation changes, absent notes, any type of information you need us to know!

Positive Action Team

Trades for ME-
Twenty 8th grade girls went with Mrs. Webber to the Trades For Me Conference at TCTC on 11/20. This opportunity allows girls to see what trades are available to them in Maine and is sponsored by New Ventures Maine and the University of Maine Systems



Positive Action Team News-
PAT had a very busy and successful Red Ribbon Week this year which included a speaker sponsored by Northern Light, poster signing and a fun interactive activity with kids in grades 1-4. PAT kids also helped out with the 2nd grade Pumpkin Fun Time. A great time was had by ALL! During the week of 11/15 we sold rubber ducks to raise money for the holiday program and we plan to visit Dexter Health Care in December for a game of BINGO or other activity to celebrate the holidays. We will be assisting 1st and 2nd graders with gift wrapping and will be having our own holiday celebration on December 2nd. Students are asked to bring a gift for their secret Santa recipient and a food item to share. Emails were sent home to parents with specific information about this event.



7/8 Spring Dance-

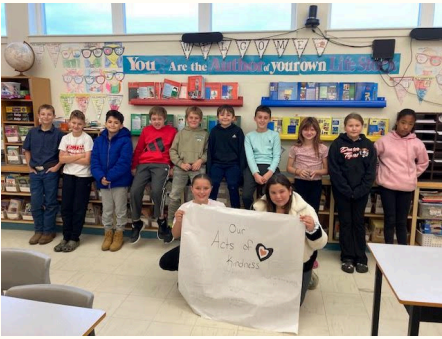
Planning for the 7th and 8th grade dance will start soon. All parents interested in helping out with this event are urged to reach out to Mrs. Webber at dwebber@aos94.org ASAP.

It takes a village to make this a fun and memorable event for the kids. We need volunteers to help with set up and clean up and lots of food donations because these kids like to eat!

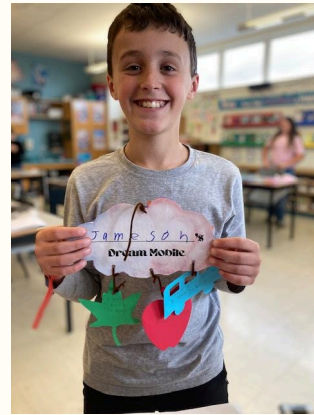
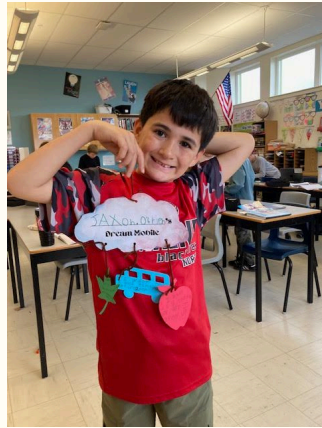
Mrs. Webber will reach out to interested parents for a meeting after the holidays. Please spread the word to any and all parents who may not see the newsletter or the Facebook posts.



B.A.R.R



Mrs. Leighton's 5th grade students created dream mobiles in their BARR U-Time lesson.



Builders Club

The Builders Club had a great time putting on fall tattoos at the Trunk or Treat. They visited STEM night to assist students and families with stations. Make sure to come to the town Christmas party and parade. The Builders Club will be doing Christmas tattoos at the town Christmas party and passing out candy at the parade. The coin drive and canned goods drive will continue until mid-December. Thank you for all of your support.





JMG CORE



LEADERSHIP TEAM

The leadership team was voted in. The students created job descriptions for the leadership roles they wanted and then voted based on that person's reputation as a leader and their speech/presentation. This was a chance for students to practice public speaking and job attainment expectations. Leadership Team: Adrian Gonzales, President; Willow Bubar, Vice President; Lia Soares, 7th VP; Gavin Wiggins, 7th VP (tied twice). All pictured to right. Also, Julian Benson, Money Manager; Hype Team: Kelsey Roy, Sophie Denty, Avery Lane; Scribes: Brookelyn Van Alstyne and Emma Spizuoco



FIELD TRIP

Students who showed work ethic, kindness, and exceptional leadership were invited to go to Spirit's Place in Saint Alban's to help with projects that have gone incomplete for months. Spirit's Place is a cat sanctuary that thrives on help from community members. They were so thankful to have us. The students worked hard on two specific projects - making clay ornaments that are sold to help pay for the cost of running the sanctuary and moving items to a downstairs storage unit. A huge thank you to the PTO for funding the transportation of our trip. Students will be submitting reflections on their experience to earn a Civic Engagement Skill Patch (exploring concepts of *community*, *civic responsibility*, *positive impact*, and *responsible citizen*). Student who attended: Adrian Gonzalez, Willow Bubar, Lia Soares, Gavin Wiggins, Evie Stanley, Bella Renaudette, Maci Moores, Lexi Simonds, Dillon Meacham, Emma Spizuoco. Anyone can visit the sanctuary to help them with projects or purchase some of their beautiful pottery this holiday season to help fund their mission.

ENTREPRENEURS

A big focus in Core is cultivating an entrepreneurial spirit. The businesses we run help the students organically learn many real world skills - quality control, perseverance, marketing, sales, talking to strangers, calculating budgets, income, costs and profit, collaboration, networking, goal-setting, and innovation. JMG runs the Snack Shack every Wednesday from 2-2:30 providing snacks and supplies. In conjunction with that they launch multiple businesses over the course of the year. The first is our Bread & Butter Business where we bake you breakfast for you on Thanksgiving Break. Included is a loaf of bread, honey butter, and a cup of coffee for \$15 delivered on Tuesday 11/25. More to come on the success or failure of this first business. *JMG uses the money they earn to donate locally, buy themselves apparel, throw a year-end ceremony, and leave behind in legacy to next year's JMG Core.*



JMG is considering potential business ideas for the holiday season such as affordable gifts in the Snack Shack for students to give their families or gift-wrapping services for teachers. Please let us know if you have a need that we can create a business out of.

For the month of November, the 5th through 8th grade teachers recognized the following students as their Students of the Month:

5th Grade - Gracie Bavelaar

6th Grade - Lia Mairhuber

7th Grade - Emma Cromwell

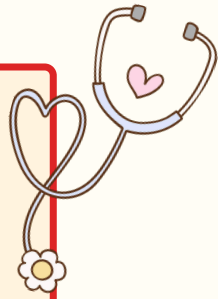
8th Grade - Adrian Gonzalez

Each of them was allowed to choose a friend and have Subway together. We are so proud of all of their hard work and positive influence on the Ridge View community!

Students of
The Month



Notes from Mrs. Greaves



Happy Holidays! While I don't love the cold weather, I do love to see the sparkling snow and the lights of the holiday season. We still have a good supply of winter gear (some new and some slightly used) for students in need. There is nothing worse than being cold, so feel free to reach out to me or have your child stop by the nurse's office and we will do our best to get them geared up for the cold weather.

We are seeing lots of sniffles and coughs consistent with the common cold. Students with a fever of 100.4 or higher combined with a cough, sore throat, headache, and body aches should stay home until their fever has resolved without the use of fever-reducing medicine for 24 hours. Anyone with vomiting or diarrhea should remain at home for 24 hours after the last bout of vomiting or diarrhea. Adhering to these guidelines help prevent the spread of illness in our school. Flu season has slowly started in Maine over the past couple of weeks. As I write this, I am not aware of any cases of influenza in our school. The last CDC report indicated only 5 cases in Penobscot county were reported during the week of Nov. 16th. I am including a flu symptom checklist for your reference.

December is a short month at Ridge View with students being home almost as much as they are in school. I hope that families get to enjoy the extra family time and make memories with their children. As a mom of all adult children, soak up the moments over this holiday break.

Does my child have the flu?

Yes	No
Yes	No
Yes	No

Does your child have a fever of 100 degrees or more?
Does your child have a cough?
Does your child have a sore throat?

Should I keep my child home?

If you checked yes to:

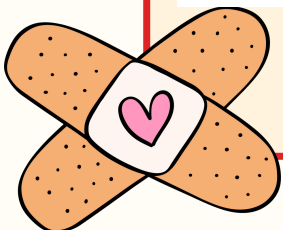
Fever of 100 degrees or more

And

A cough **or** a sore throat

Your child has an influenza-like illness. Keep your child home for 24 hours after the fever resolves without the use of medication.

If you checked yes to only one of the questions above, or if your child is ill with other symptoms, keep your child at home at least one day to observe for additional symptoms. If additional symptoms develop, use the checklist questions again to decide whether to continue to keep the child home.



DECEMBER 2025		MSAD #46 SCHOOL BREAKFAST MENU		
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Milk Choice 1% White 1% Chocolate				Fresh Fruit and Vegetable program offers fresh fruits and vegetables for students to try outside of breakfast and lunch times, 3 days per week.
1 BREAKFAST BREAD FRUIT//JUICE MILK	2 BREAKFAST PIZZA FRUIT//JUICE MILK	3 DONUT FRUIT//JUICE MILK	4 BREAKFAST SANDWICH FRUIT//JUICE MILK	5 OMELET CHEESE ITS FRUIT//JUICE MILK
8 BANANA BREAD FRUIT//JUICE MILK	9 FRENCH TOAST STICKS FRUIT//JUICE MILK	10 BREAKFAST PIZZA FRUIT//JUICE MILK	11 STRAWBERRY BAGEL FRUIT//JUICE MILK	12 SCRAMBLED EGGS WITH CHEESE & FRUIT//JUICE MILK
15 PUMPKIN BREAD FRUIT//JUICE MILK	16 BLUEBERRY MINI PANCAKES FRUIT//JUICE MILK	17 DONUT FRUIT//JUICE MILK	18 BREAKFAST PIZZA FRUIT//JUICE MILK	19 BREAKFAST SANDWICH FRUIT//JUICE MILK EARLY RELEASE BEGIN HOLIDAY RECESS

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Menu subject to change without notice

DECEMBER 2025		MSAD #46 SCHOOL LUNCH MENU		
MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Milk Choice 1% White 1% Chocolate SOMETIMES FF STRAWBERRY Breakfast and lunch available to all students at no charge.				Fresh Fruit and Vegetable program offers fresh fruits and vegetables for students to try outside of breakfast and lunch times, 3 days per week.
1 CHICKEN NUGGETS EMOJI FRIES ROLL FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR MILK	2 SPAGHETTI & MEATSAUCE ROLL & BUTTER FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR WITH BEANS MILK	3 CHICKEN & WAFFLES FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR WITH BEANS MILK	4 BBQ PORK & CHEESE ON TATER TOTS ROLL & BUTTER FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR MILK CRACKERS	5 PIZZA FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR MILK
8 MS. CRISS'S CLASS CHOICE CHICKEN BURGER TATER TOTS CORN FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR W/ WATERMELON CHOCOLATE OR WHITE MILK	9 TACO SOUP BOSCO STICK FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR WITH BEANS MILK DORITOS	10 TURKEY & CHEESE WRAP FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR WITH BEANS MILK CRACKERS	11 CHICKEN & GRAVY RICE PEAS ROLL AND BUTTER FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR MILK	12 PIZZA FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR MILK
15 CHEESEBURGER FRIES FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR MILK	16 CHICKEN PARMESAN WITH SPAGHETTI FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR WITH BEANS MILK	17 BAKED BEANS HOT DOG IN A BUN FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR WITH BEANS MILK	18 ROAST TURKEY & GRAVY RICE STEAMED CORN ROLL FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR MILK	19 CHICKEN BURGER FRUIT & VEGETABLE BAR MILK EARLY RELEASE BEGIN HOLIDAY RECESS

What's New in School lunch?

This year we will have two drawings a month for classrooms to win the opportunity to choose a lunch meal and choose a day of Fresh Fruit and Vegetable choices.

This month's winners are:


Ms. Flemke's 2nd grade class for lunch

And

Mrs. Picariello's 6th grade class for FFVP

Ms. Flemke's class will get to choose

1.The entrée of the day

- 2.1 fruit
- 3.2
- 4.Chocolate
- 
- choice
- vegetable choices
- or strawberry milk

This meal will be served in January.

Mrs. Picariello's class will get to choose 2 fruits and 1 vegetable to be offered through the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program for one day in November.



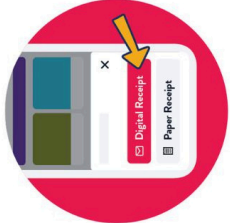

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Tri-County Technical Center's
Early Childhood Education program presents...

Diaper & Wipe Drive

November 20 - December 19

Diapers (any size) and wipes can be brought to

Tri-County Technical Center
14 Abbott Hill Road, Dexter, ME

OR

ECE Program
572 Bangor Road, Dover-Foxcroft, ME

All donations will go to families in need in
our local community

For any questions, reach out to
amgudroe@aos94.org



TCTC
Early Childhood
Education



RVCS PTO

Parents and teachers working together
to enhance the educational experience
for RVCS students



So, you think your sweater is the ugliest...



Time to get our ugly sweaters on!

Wednesday, Dec. 17th



1 student per grade and 1 staff member will win the coveted **UGLIEST SWEATER OF THEM ALL** prize!

Nominations will be made by grade level teachers.

In case of a snow day, Thursday, Dec. 18th will be the alternate day.

Please see the attached flyer for our Christmas Ornament Fundraiser?

(December 1st - 12th)

Please note that the next PTO meeting will be on Tuesday, January 6th at 3 p.m.. The meetings are the first Tuesday of each month at 3pm in the RVCS library.

The Ridge View Community School PTO would like to wish
everyone a safe and happy holiday season!



Thank you for all your continued support of PTO, your support helps pay for
the field trips at RVCS!

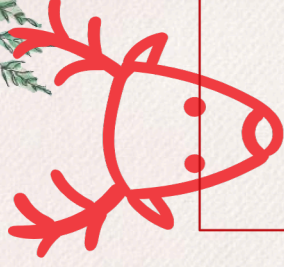
PTO Holiday Ornament Fundraiser!

December 1st - December 12th

\$6.00 each



- Order now through Dec 12th.
- All ornaments will be delivered before winter break.



Order Form

Student Name _____

Grade _____ Teacher _____

Parent Name _____

Quantity of Ornaments _____

Please include cash or check (made payable to RVCS PTO) with this order form.

**Thank you for your support &
Happy Holidays!**

RIDGE VIEW COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Holiday

Food Drive

Show how much
RVCS Cares & Shares

October - December

Join us in helping a community in need!

PRE-K - 4TH GRADE: COIN COLLECTION

GRADE 5: CANNED CORN

GRADE 6: CANNED GREEN BEANS

GRADE 7: CANNED PEAS

GRADE 8: CANNED CRANBERRY SAUCE



Ridge View Winter Concerts

Friday, December 12 2025

K-2 at 9 am

**3-5 with Beginner Band
at 1 pm**

Students should wear:

Dark bottoms and a
bright top.

If you wish, they may
wear holiday best, but it
is NOT required.

Students will NOT be allowed to wear hats or
accessories that will distract from the performance.
This includes antlers, Santa/elf hats, and anything
with flashing lights.

The DRHS and RVCS Music Departments
present a

Winter Concert

December 17th at 6:00 PM

Ridge View Community School Gym

Don't forget to purchase the

RIDGE VIEW COMMUNITY SCHOOL

yearbook before the deadline!

To purchase your yearbook go to Treering.com →

Deadline:

Apr 23

To purchase your yearbook, use the QR code or:

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older

- 1 . Go to: treering.com/validate
- 2 . Enter your school's passcode:

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