

Riverton Raccoon Newsletter

October 2018



Principal's Message

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What a great September it has been! Students, parents, and teachers have adjusted nicely to the new year. It is amazing that October is here and fall is in the air. I love this time of year!!

The SCC and the PTA are up and going and working diligently to support the educational goals of Riverton Elementary. If you are interested in becoming a member of either the School Community Council (SCC) or the Parent Teacher Association (PTA), please call the office for more information. SCC is an organization that meets a minimum of 4 times a year. The group of parents and teachers discuss the wants and needs at Riverton Elementary. This community group was able to support the funding of additional Chromebooks. Our students are working on up-to-date devices that help run current programs efficiently and give children consistent access to digital devices. Third thru sixth grades will have carts of Chromebooks in the classroom for easy access as it applies to their learning goals and objectives. We hope to have these items in place by the end of October. Kindergarten thru second grades will be the focus to provide a 1:1 device ratio in the future.

Recently, the PTA has granted the school money to provide updated document cameras in all classrooms. They also supported funding for iPads and Chromebooks last spring. In addition to electronics, PTA provides funding for field trips for each grade. Field trips help to reinforce information taught at school and help to expand student personal experiences such as attending musicals or plays. PTA also supports birthday bunch, room moms, dads and donuts, moms and minutes, as well as many more activities and programs. The most recent activity was the Fun Run. This is the big fundraiser that allows PTA to support programs and activities at Riverton Elementary. The Fun Run was held on September 26. Groups of students were running on a set course. The music was great! The smiles and laughter were awesome to see and hear. Parents came out in mass to volunteer and support the event. Thank you to our community for the ongoing support of school events to support your students' education.

Halloween is just around the corner. The Halloween parade will be held on October 31 @ 9:00. As a reminder, masks, weapons and facsimiles of weapons are not permitted. Vision must not be impaired, so anything that covers a student's head is considered a safety hazard and is not permitted. Face paint is allowed in moderate amounts. Faculty and staff need to be able to identify students as much as possible during the day. Safety is always the number one concern at the school. Please help us keep your students safe by following these simple expectations during the events for Halloween at the school.

And, as always, thank you for supporting Riverton Elementary as we provide the best education we possibly can.

Happy October!

Calendar

- 10/2- Early Bird Fun Run Packet pick-up
- 10/4- Fun Run Packet pick-up and PTA Mtg.
- 10/10- Vision Screening
- 10/17- Early Out
- 10/18-19- Fall Break - No School
- 10/23- Chick-fil-A Spirit Night
- 10/24- Birthday Bunch
- 10/25- Early Out
- 10/26- No School/ Grade Transmittal Day
- 10/29- Reflections Due
- 10/30- Reflections Assembly
- 10/31-Halloween Parade 9:00 AM

Kindness is a language the deaf can hear and the blind can see.

Growth Mindset

Don't wait until you reach your goal to be proud of yourself. Be proud of every step you take.