

# Riverton Raccoon Newsletter

September 2018

## Principal's Message

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Welcome back to school! What a great start to what will be a promising school year. Students and teachers have engaged in the school focus of "Kindness." Students are sharing the kind acts they do for others and talking about them in class. A calendar was sent out on Friday that identifies a kind act to perform for someone each day. Help your student remember to check his/her calendar every morning before school to see what kind act needs to be performed. When your student gets home, ask him/her about the kind act completed. Students put a happy face each day that they complete the kind deed specified. At the end of the month, parents need to sign the calendar and remind their student to return the calendar to his/her teacher.

Riverton Elementary presented the first annual Riverton Culture Week the first few days of school. Riverton's Culture Week is an important time to set Riverton's behavior expectations and to teach Riverton student leaders about how we move and act appropriately around the building. Rotations were arranged to provide help for students to learn about the High 5 expectations for all parts of the school. The High 5s are: Be Safe, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be a Leader, and Be Kind. Using these High 5s, students will make great decisions on how to behave in the building and how to interact with adults and other students.

In addition, we have adjusted some expectations both inside and outside the school. One of these expectations that will impact the community the most centers around our playground after school. When teachers and safety patrol start coming in from outside duty, students who have not been picked up will wait for their rides by the fence or by the front doors. Students are asked not to play on the playground after school. It is safe for students to walk with the masses as they go home. Safety in numbers is a responsible behavior to follow. It is safe for students to be off the playground equipment when unsupervised. It's safe for students to be picked up each day on time.

Thank you for your support as we strive to keep students safe.

"In a world  
where you can  
be anything...  
Be Kind."

### Growth Mindset

"Stop being afraid of what  
could go wrong and start  
being excited about what  
could go right".



## Calendar

- 9/3: Labor Day- No School
- 9/5: Fun Run T-shirt orders due
- 9/6: Orchestra Parent Meeting at 8:00 a.m.
- 9/10-14: Green Ribbon Week
- 9/20: Flu Clinic 3:30-6:30 p.m.
- 9/25: Picture Day
- 9/26: Fun Run & Birthday Bunch

## Celebrations!

- Riverton teachers were given \$10,000 to use for classrooms by Burlington and [adoptaclassroom.org](http://adoptaclassroom.org)!
- PTA was able to provide doc cameras in classrooms.
- The library was remodeled.
- New computers are now in the computer lab.
- 3rd-6th grades received devices for each student.