

# Riverton Elementary Newsletter



## March

19<sup>th</sup> No School!!!!

22-25<sup>th</sup> Parent Teacher  
Conferences

26<sup>th</sup> No School!!!!

29-April 2<sup>nd</sup> Spring Break!!!!

Teacher Appreciation  
Coming April 12-16th

**PTA NOMINATIONS** - PTA needs YOU. We are currently seeking applicants for the following positions for next school year:

President

President Elect

Vice President(s)

There are many other positions to fill as well, but these must be filled first. If we are unable to fill these positions, the PTA may not be able to function next year. You can nominate yourself or someone else you think would be great! The nomination form can be found at:

<https://docs.google.com/.../16Px.../edit...>

Forms can be submitted to the office.

**Kindergarten Registration-** Registration is ongoing. Parents should register their kindergarten aged students as soon as possible. The school relies on an accurate count of incoming Kindergarten students for funding- including how many sessions and kindergarten teachers are available for our students- so an accurate count is extremely important!

**Kindergarten Orientation-** Orientation will be available online. Information coming to the school's website on Friday!

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents,

This year has been challenging to say the least. Almost exactly one year has passed since we went on dismissal for the global pandemic. Our resilience has been tested repeatedly. Each time our community, students and teachers rebounded quickly with resolve to be stronger than before. I am thrilled to be a part of this community.

A few weeks ago, I visited a kindergarten classroom. Each child was vigorously working on an assignment. Following the example of their teacher, each student diligently placed a finger space between each word of the sentence, "I have a snowman." The only evidence of a pandemic were the masks and some social distancing. How great to see that real learning was taking place after such a unique start to the school year.

Our teachers made this happen. Their efforts should be celebrated. They did this because they are dedicated to children's success. Please join me in expressing thanks to our great teachers this month by writing a thank you note to them. They truly are amazing.

You also deserve to be recognized. This year has been difficult for you and for your families. Many are still experiencing the financial, social, emotional and physical impacts of this pandemic. Please know that we are grateful for you. It is a pleasure to work with you.

Thank you.

Respectfully,

Mr. Pullan, Principal

## PTA President's Message

It has been my great pleasure to be a member of the Riverton Elementary School Parent Teacher Association for the last five years. This month I want to share a little bit about my experience, as the PTA is seeking nominees for leadership positions. It has taken me five years to really understand and appreciate all our PTA does for our school.

### Programs and activities-

Our PTA works hard to bring great programs to our school and our students. Although things have been a little different this year, some of the programs we have traditionally helped facilitate are reading programs, Speak Up Be Safe, Maturation, Book Fairs, Pastries with Parents, Math Night, Classic Skate nights, Teacher Appreciation, Field Day, Back to School Night, Fall Festival, Fun Run, and Outdoor Classroom.

### Funding-

Most years, we hold one fundraiser to help us fund the programs listed above, as well as other things, like helping with the cost of field trip transportation, assemblies, and other great things for our kids.

### Community Building-

One of my favorite things about PTA is how the connections we build help our school community. These connections include local businesses, teachers, parents, and staff, as well as other members of our local community! I am continually impressed by how generous our school community is with their time and resources.

If you haven't joined PTA yet this year, it's not too late! You can join at <https://riverton.memberhub.store/store>.

If you would like to volunteer with PTA in any capacity, please reach out to us at [rivertonelempta@gmail.com](mailto:rivertonelempta@gmail.com). We are still looking for help with this year's Field Day!

If you think you or someone you know would be an awesome PTA board member, fill out a nomination form. We NEED great leaders! You can find the form linked under PTA NOMINATIONS in this newsletter.

Best wishes to all of you as we move into Spring! We are excited about what the future holds for our PTA and our school!