



# RIB LAKE HIGH SCHOOL

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## Forensics

The Forensics team competed at Antigo on Monday, February 26th, and all 28 students advanced to District competition which will be held in Tomahawk on Saturday, March 10th. The students and coaches have been working very hard practicing their pieces for this competition. The students who competed are: Brandon Beckstrand, Olivia Blomberg, Emily Espinoza, Caitlyn Fitzl, Marcy Fuentez, Jayden Gustafson, John Hoffland, David Howard, Daniel Lennartz, Keesha Lucia, Zach Makovsky, Autumn Ochodnick, Kassie Quante, Maia Reissner, Audrey Rhyner, Sam Rodman, Cami Scheithauer, Taylor Schmidtfranz, Dilan Schneider, Andrea Schreiner, Julie Schubert, Lisa Schubert, Brittney Staab, Nick Starr, Katie Strobach, Ryan Strobach, Kylie Weise, and Madison Winter. State Forensics competition will be held in Madison on Friday, April 20th. This year's Forensics coaches are Pam Schultz and Karen Rusch.

- All 28 participants advanced to the District Forensics Level on March 10th. The level of performance and participation numbers are incredible for a small school.
- We are fortunate to have active student led organizations that create opportunities for RLHS students. Student Council held a winter formal and is looking at a possible trip to a fun destination late in the month. Culture of Champions held activities after a ball game, are co-sponsoring Tim Kight, and have a dodgeball tournament scheduled for mid-month. Their efforts have been greatly appreciated by students.
- Solo Ensemble is coming fast. Please join us as we host the event on March 23rd as there are many talented musicians in our school. I am very impressed with the amount of extra work our musicians are putting into their preparation for their solo or small group performances.
- The It Can Wait program on February 23rd was a good reminder to students that texting and driving is illegal and very dangerous. The message was that no text is important enough to risk your life for. Thanks to Cullin Peterson, Caitlyn Fitzl, and Mr. Iverson for being good sports on the texting and driving simulator. I also was once again reminded of how good of students RLHS has as the guest speakers commented several times how good our students are.
- Post Prom is scheduled for Saturday, April 28th. Volunteers are needed to help make this a successful night for all. If you are interested in donating your time for a great cause, please call Rick Cardey or Michelle Rhodes at 715-427-3220. Last year, post-prom was attended by more than 90 students and had 45 large prizes of \$100 or more.
- The Juniors took the ACT test on February 27th. We are excited to see the scores after pre-testing, holding improvement seminars, and practicing ACT classroom exercises in Math, Science, and English. Initial reports from members of the Junior class were that the lessons learned from the practice ACT exam given in November was very helpful on the February ACT exam.
- Congratulations to the Boy's and Girl's Basketball Teams on their conference championships. It is also quite special for RLHS to have both Mike Wudi and Bruce Peterson recognized as Coaches of the Year and Levi Ewan named the boys' and Katie Cardey girls' Player of the Year. March Madness around Rib Lake High School has made for a great atmosphere.

# ATTENDANCE AND TRUANCY

Studies show that developing good attendance patterns in school generally carries over into adult life. A student who misses 15 days of school a year for twelve years misses an equivalency of one full year of education. Parents are urged to schedule appointments after school whenever possible. Be sure your child gets enough sleep, eats properly, and participates in regular exercises to remain as healthy as possible. Keep in mind, the more days of school that your child misses, the more likely he or she will fall behind academically. The State of Wisconsin and Taylor County have laws and guidelines for unexcused absences. Every student is allowed to miss 10 school days. Additional absences require a note from a professional where the child may have had an appointment, excusing the child for the day.

**REMINDER: High school seniors must have attended school at least 93% of the school days/class periods in both the first and second semester to participate in graduation.**

**Please remember to call the high school office if your son or daughter is absent from school. If we have not received a call by 9:15 a.m., we will be calling parents to check on absences.**

We encourage parents to visit the school or call at any time to discuss attendance concerns. Parents, please do what you can at home to help your child avoid the consequences of missing too many days of school. **If your child was/will be absent, a phone call or note from you must accompany your child upon their return to school. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP ON THIS ISSUE!!**

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

March 16 Culture of Champions Dodgeball Tournament—6:00-9:00 p.m.

March 23 Solo/Ensemble at Rib Lake

March 26 Freshman Orientation—6:00-8:00 p.m.

March 28 End of the Third Quarter

March 29 12:30 p.m. Dismissal

March 30—April 2 Easter Vacation—NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

April 12 Large Group Band Festival at Athens

April 19 Large Group Choir Festival at Athens

April 20 State Forensics at Madison

April 24 Fine Arts Night

April 25 Blood Drive—1:00-6:00 p.m.)

April 27 Early Dismissal for Students—12:30 p.m.

April 28 Prom

May 5 State Solo/Ensemble

May 8 Spring Choir Concert

May 23 Senior Awards Night

May 25 Graduation—7:00 p.m.

May 28 Memorial Day—NO SCHOOL

June 1 Last Day of School—12:30 p.m. Dismissal

## ALL CONFERENCE PERFORMERS

### Boys Basketball

Marawood Conference North Coach of the Year—Bruce Peterson  
1st Team All Conference and  
Marawood Conference North Player of the Year—Levi Ewan  
2nd Team All Conference—Nick Gerstberger  
2nd Team All Conference—Cody Blomberg  
Honorable Mention All Conference—Zane Mencheski  
Honorable Mention All Conference—Sean Schreiner

### Girls Basketball

Marawood Conference North Coach of the Year (Second straight year)—Mike Wudi  
1st Team All Conference and Marawood Conference North Player of the Year (Second straight year)—Katie Cardey  
2nd Team All Conference—Gracie Weinke  
2nd Team All Conference—Raejana Wright  
All Conference Honorable Mention—Hailey Wudi  
All Conference Honorable Mention—Cameron Scheithauer

## FINE ARTS EVENTS

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, April 24th, Rib Lake Fine Arts Night. There will be a band concert and open house with student projects on display, Forensics presentations, and classroom activities and presentations.

The Spring Choir Concert will be on Tuesday, May 8th. Both the high school and middle school choirs will be performing. The concert begins at 7:00 p.m.

## RLHS HOSTING SOLO/ ENSEMBLE

RLHS will be hosting Athens and Marathon for Solo/Ensemble on Friday, March 23rd. There will not be classes for students on this day, but music students are required to attend.

## FRESHMAN SCHEDULING NIGHT

Incoming Freshmen (this years 8th graders) will be meeting on March 26th at 6:15 p.m. to learn more about RLHS and the high school course offerings. We will be beginning the scheduling process for the 2018-19 school year. Mike Wudi, high school athletic director, will be holding a mandatory high school sports parent meeting. More information will be mailed in the near future.

## CULTURE OF CHAMPIONS DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

On March 16th, the students will be sponsoring a team dodgeball tournament for school and community teams. We are sure that the 3rd annual event will be as big, if not bigger than last school year. If interested in entering a team, call Mark Krommenacker. Community members are invited to attend and watch the event also.