

# *Rib Lake High School*

## **Student School Attendance**

One of the areas of concern that arises each year is student school attendance. The state attendance regulations that the school district is mandated to comply with are outlined in student handbooks and are discussed with students on the first day of school. We ask that parents or guardians contact the school when their student will be/has been absent. Parents are also encouraged to obtain verification for any appointments to professionals for their child. Just a reminder that state attendance procedures allow parents to post-excuse a maximum of 10 days. Please take the time to review this issue with your student since we are obligated by the state to enforce it.

The following graduation policy attendance rules apply to high school seniors:

- Students must have attended school at least 93% of the school days/periods in both first and second semester of their Senior year to participate in Graduation. This includes all pre-planned and parent excused absences. The Principal may waive this requirement for good and sufficient reason (extended illness, family emergency, extended vacation, etc.)
- Students must have paid all fines, fees and other financial obligations owed to the school district and make up any disciplinary time owed in order to participate in the Graduation ceremony.
- Student participation in the Graduation ceremony is a privilege. Any multiple-day school suspension or school related legal referral during senior year may result in revocation of the graduation ceremony privilege.

## **Athletic Season Passes**

Season passes for athletic events are available in the high school office.

The prices are as follows:

Family Pass	\$40.00
Adult Single Pass	\$20.00
Student Pass	\$15.00
Senior Citizen Pass (60 and over)	FREE

## **Thank You to Custodial Staff**

A big thank you to the custodial staff, who worked hard this summer to help upgrade and make the building look new. Some highlighted changes to the middle and high school buildings are:

- creation of a middle level technology lab to promote collaboration and deeper understanding. The room will house virtual learning equipment purchased by the CLC.
- completion of new carpeting and painting to upgrade select middle school classrooms.
- the addition of an innovation lab at the high school. The school district received a technology grant to help equip and furnish the area which has flexible work spaces to promote student collaboration.
- grant funding and donated equipment will allow RLHS to offer teachers from other schools and colleges to interact daily with our students in coursework previously not available.
- a much needed updating to the high school north bathrooms is almost complete. New sinks, trim, and painting have all been part of the work to update bathrooms original to the construction of the high school.
- the gym has been upgraded with new paint, floor finish, and bleachers. The new bleachers address the issues of the previous 1964 bleachers relating to access and safety. A big thank you to the Rib Lake Athletic Booster Club for their work in fundraising to help make the bleacher replacement a reality. The group raised approximately \$5000 from Drive 4UR School. They are currently writing grants and working on a Friends of Rib Lake Schools Donation Wall project.

Students will be given their Chromebooks starting the first day of school if the parent/student acknowledgement form is returned by noon on Friday, September 1st. No Chromebooks can be issued without the forms being returned. Summer training/early checkout was not offered this year due to all students having been through extensive training last year.

## Student Supply List

The high school requires students to have pens, pencils, note paper, student organizer or notebooks, and highlighters. Other needed materials are schedule specific and will be discussed on the first day of school.

Middle school supply lists are available by contacting the middle school office or by checking the school website. They are also available at WalMart in Medford.

## 6-12 Soft Skills for Success

The middle and high school staff worked to develop a comprehensive list of character traits that contribute to highly successful graduates who are prepared for post-secondary and career success. The overall goal of this initiative is to put a school wide focus on developing our RLHS graduates to:

- Be academically responsible by completing assignments to the best of their ability and to complete work on time.
- Be collaborative learners.
- Display the employability skills of regular attendance, promptness, and preparedness.
- Set high goals and work to achieve these goals in all areas of school.
- Strive to be positive leaders in both the classroom and school activities.
- Use technology and electronic communications devices responsibly.
- Be actively involved in school activities.
- Respect themselves, others, and the school property.
- Explore career options to make informed post-secondary choices.
- See the school as a community and take pride in school success.
- Use problem solving skills in and out of the classroom.

## Class Dues

Class dues are \$15.00 per year. Class dues should be paid in the High School Office. Class dues are used to cover class activities, Prom and Graduation expenses.

## 6-12 Lunch Prices

Lunch prices have increased 10 cents this year. Lunch at the middle school and high school will cost \$2.95 each and breakfast and milk prices will remain the same at \$1.70 and \$.30 respectively.

## Online Grading

Parents will have access to their student's grades, attendance, and lunch account information by going to: <https://riblake.onlinejmc.com/>

If you need assistance accessing your family account, please contact the office.

## On-Line School Information

We would like to remind you to view the high school web site frequently. This site allows for staff, parents, and community members to view the following items:

- \* High school calendar
- \* Daily announcements
- \* Staff e-mails
- \* School and guidance newsletters
- \* Periodically updated photos of school activities
- \* Forms and resources
- \* On-line grades
- \* High school assignments

## Welcome Connie Leonhard

We would like to welcome our new Choir teacher, Connie Leonhard. Connie taught Choir and Show Choir previously in the Flambeau District. We believe her experience and enthusiasm will create many opportunities for our students.

## First Day of School

High school students should enter the gymnasium upon arrival to school on the first day, Friday, September 1, 2017. The school day runs from 8:10 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. Breakfast will be available daily from 7:50 to 8:05 a.m.

The middle school and high school offices opened on Tuesday, August 15, 2017. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday through the end of August.

**Textbooks** are available to students at no charge. However, if it is determined that a student damages/loses any district owned book during the time it is entrusted to the student, the student/student's family is responsible for the cost of damages incurred or the replacement cost of the book.

## 1 to 1 Personalized Learning Initiative

Rib Lake High School is excited to announce the launch of its Personalized Digital Learning Program! Students in grades 9-12 will be provided with Chromebooks for in-school use. The Chromebooks will be theirs to use as long as they are registered students of the school district.

The goals of the initiative are to:

1. Enhance, expand, and accelerate learning.
2. Provide personalized instruction.
3. Improve student collaboration and engagement.
4. Increase collaboration, cooperation, critical thinking, and communication.

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## Use the Internet First Day Forms

We have had a goal of reducing the amount of required forms for parents to sign throughout the year. Parents should have received a two sided form in the mail which covers:

- student emergency information
- field trip permission
- Internet usage
- Chromebook user agreement

This form will need to be returned by the student before receiving a Chromebook, school network, or participating in a field trip. Please call the high school or middle school office if you have questions or concerns.

### Handbooks

The student handbooks are available for your review at [www.riblake.k12.wi.us](http://www.riblake.k12.wi.us). The district will not be printing handbooks unless specifically requested by parents. Please call the high school of-

## Rib Lake Fitness Center

Come join the Rib Lake Fitness Center! Clean, contemporary equipment, cardio/nautilus and free weights, knowledgeable staff, easy access, flexible hours, etc. The yearly fee schedule is as follows:

Resident Family	\$90
Resident Individual	\$50
Resident College Student	\$25
Senior Citizen—Individual	\$40
Senior Citizen—Family	\$75
Non-Resident—Individual	\$100
Non-Resident—Family	\$180

\* Senior citizen rates apply at age 60.

- Memberships make great gifts!
- Fitness room hours are Mondays through Fridays 5:30 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. If interested in membership, please contact Fitness Center Coordinator Jim Dobbs at (715) 965-0933 or [jimdobbs@riblake.k12.wi.us](mailto:jimdobbs@riblake.k12.wi.us).

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