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# **ROLES PTO**

Providing Parent Support for Students and Teachers at Riveredge

# December 2021

# Happy Holidays!

## By: Principal Mike Mullen

#### Shout Outs

- For the teachers and the amazing Virtual Friday offerings. Not only are these lessons innovative, support families and provide children with choice in their learning
- MS Grant Writing Team for their continued work and support of this process. Erin, Allison, Walter, Shaun, Brenna, Brynn, Bridget, Brielle

#### School Cultural Exchange

 Mr Sams and Mr Kemps students are currently participating in a cultural exchange with Rachel Arngnammaktiq Elementary School which is located on the Boundary of the Arctic Circle in Baker Lake Canada. They completed some letter exchanges and after break hope to do a Zoom meeting. Temperatures at their school are often 30-51 below zero. They often talk about Caribou, Polar Bears, Wolverines, and Artic Hares. They wonder about our weather and what we eat each day.

#### **Riveredge Nature Center**

• Currently working with Riveredge Nature Center as they make plans for a new Education Center that will house the Elementary School and possible locations for a middle school.

#### Parent Middle School Letter of Support

• I will be sharing with parents a letter of support for the middle school grant to be used as one way to show support for middle school if the grant is successful. The letter will just require parent signatures and address.

#### Reminder

 Please send me any ideas that you have about how Indicators of success and how we measure them.

#### SRO

This summer and last week I've met with the Ozaukee Sheriff's department and NOSD concerning having an SRO officer available to the school on a regular basis. Currently Nick Holzer has assumed that position and provides a number of opportunities for our students around building this relationship and safety protocols for the school. We will budget for a SRO once we establish costs and availability. Nick currently is at the school or 3 times a month.

The Governance Council has approved the Middle School Grant process and we look forward to watching a middle school come to light at Riveredge. The Governance Council would like to wish everyone Happy Holidays and Happy New Year! Have a relaxing and fun winter break with family and friends. We hope everyone stays healthy and safe. Just a reminder, if your child develops any symptoms, please stay home and get tested upon returning to school. We want to make sure we can keep everyone in person in the New Year!

### **PTO Board**

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#### JOIN US! The PTO Executive Board has openings for Fall 2021:

Treasurer: Manage finances for PTO with the help of our officer team.

Please join us! We would love to have you! Email Sarah Neumann: roles.pto.secretary@gmail.com

# **Updates**



# **STAFF APPRECIATION**

Thank you to our amazing ROLES staff for keeping our students safe, happy, and engaged. We are so grateful for all the work you do!

We also want to welcome Jade Cashman to the ROLES family! We are excited for you to join us and hope you enjoy spending a couple of days each week with the 5th grade on the beautiful Riveredge Nature Center landscape.

A small token of appreciation will be delivered to the staff before Winter Break. We hope you enjoy your time off with your families, and take the time to do a few of your favorite things.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the Staff

Appreciation Committee, please do not hesitate to reach

out to Ami Rosengren (ami\_marie@msn.com) or Brittnie

Dohl (brittnie.mahnke@gmail.com)

#### Ski/Snowboard Club

Registration for the 2022 ROLES Ski/Snowboard Club is still open! Families have until 11:59pm on January 5th to sign up. The club dates are four Fridays in January from noon-4:00 at Sunburst Winter Sports Park in Kewaskum. The cost

for the package which includes ski/snowboard rental, lessons, and lift ticket is \$120. Families are welcome to sign up along with your student! Lessons take place from 1:00-2:30, outside of that time, children will not be supervised, therefore it's recommended that parents stay on Sunburst property if you have a young one participating. Please use

the following link to sign up, and use the group code ROLES2022 https://shop.skisunburst.com/groups . If you are interested in chaperoning (1 chaperone per 15 participants) or have any other questions, please contact Ami Rosengren at ami\_marie@msn.com or (920) 889-9046 .

# FUNDRAISING

- 1. Square 1 Art:
  - Thank you for all who ordered! Enjoy! Our earnings were \$400! So wonderful!
- 2. Pretzel Sale:
  - Orders forms sent home. Due back Tuesday, 1/4.
    Pretzels to be delivered week of 1/31.
- 2. Coffee Sale:
  - The fundraising team is discussing a future coffee fundraiser. More info to come!

## **COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT**

ROLES families know how to have fun all year long in all kinds of weather! So make sure to gear up and join us for Winter Fest on January 15th, 2022 from 2:00-5:00pm in the yard at Riveredge. Show off your cooking skills in our chili & cornbread cook off, do some ice fishing, sledding, crafting and hiking or make new friends around the bonfire. \*Signup will be posted after the holidays and participation is required for attendance\*. There will be many options to RSVP through volunteering or contributing with supplies. We looking forward to growing our Riveredge Community with you and having some fun in the snow!

Volunteers - We are also looking for more people to help with drop off on Monday's and Tuesday's Please let us know or just show up.

#### Ways to help drop-off!

1. Be ready! If not PLEASE pull into a parking spot get ready then get back in line.

2. Encourage kids to open the door and get out right away, when between orange cones. Then we can unload about 5 cars at a time.

3. Clear the way- Front seats can be moved forward, move books, toys, cords and garbage from the area for ease of getting out.

4. Be on-time 8:20- 8:30, Volunteers are here to help.

8:31 -8:35 Walk your child to class, and let teacher know your child is at school.

After 8:36 walk child to office Mrs. Weiss can let you know where class might be.



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# PLANS

Next PTO Meeting: January 10th at 6:00pm virtually. Please join!

https://meet.google.com/bdk-iuwx-

Thank your drop off volunteers for standing out in the cold to help keep our ROLES family safe!!! We great appreciate them for there time!