



# Richland School District 88A NEWS & NOTES June 2, 2017



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## SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents,

This marks the last News & Notes for 2016-2017. I would like to take a moment to congratulate the 2017 graduates and their families and wish them the very best as they start the next chapter in their education.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the following teachers who will be retiring this year; Mrs. Mary Claybaugh, Mrs. Cori Nielsen and Mrs. Laura Pesavento for their years of dedicated service to the children of Richland School District 88A. We wish them the very best as they enter into retirement.

As you may have noticed, the SRTS (Safe Routes to School) pathway construction has begun. In the next week, the pathways will be completed and available for use.

Lastly, summer break is not a break from learning. Use these next couple of months to continue learning through reading and/or use vacation traveling as an opportunity to learn more about our history, geography, nature and art.

Have a great summer break!

Dr. Early



## *From the Desk of Dr. Whyte*

**CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATING CLASS OF 2017!  
WE WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK!!!**

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade – 7<sup>th</sup> Grade**

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL** is Monday, June 5, 2017

- Junior High Students dismiss at 12:55 p.m.
- Elementary Students release at 1:25 p.m.

*Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2017!* We wish you the best of luck in high school! Please let us know about your achievements so we can celebrate with you.

*Enjoy Your Summer!* I hope all of our families have a great summer with time together to relax and connect. Take time to read when you can. 15 minutes a day can help to prevent the Summer Slide. Parents can also set up accounts for math practice on Kahn Academy, MobyMax, or Xtra Math. A little practice goes a long way in keeping math skills sharp.

*Spanish Class* - Any 7<sup>th</sup> grade student that has been accepted into the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade Spanish class received a letter with their last report card stating he/she has been accepted. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Conklin at 815-744-6166 ext. 2601. Please remember to purchase any needed supplies for this class.

*Easy CBM Report* – Easy CBM Reports were sent home with this year's last report card. These reports show your child's progress throughout the year in Language Arts and Math.

*New Curriculum* – Richland will be permanently adopting a new Math curriculum in all grades next year. This past year, a new Science curriculum was piloted and will be permanently adopted as well. Lastly, we are adopting new Spanish curriculum to stay in alignment with LTHS. Some of the curriculum is web based, while some are book and kit based. The links for all curriculum can be found on Richland's web page or the books and kits are available in the Media Center for perusal. If you are interested, please take time to review these materials.

*Summer Packet* – As in previous years, summer packets will be sent home with all students at the end of the school year. Parents, these packets are to be completed



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## ***From the Desk of Dr. Whyte (continued)***

and returned to homeroom teachers at the start of the 2017-2018 school year. **REMEMBER: It will count as the first grade of the new school**

**Locker Set-Up** – Locker set-up for Junior High is set for Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, from 5pm to 8pm. A connect-ed will go out later this summer as a reminder.

**EPI School Supplies** – School supplies for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year may be purchased online through EPI School Supplies. Simply log into [www.epipacks.com](http://www.epipacks.com) using code RIC135 to place your order. Deadline for orders are June 25, 2017.

**Meal Time Acct.** – Principal’s office has been getting calls asking about balances on sibling accounts. Wanted to make you aware that you can request your child’s accounts be linked so it’s more of a family account. When linked you will be able use all monies on account for any child. Please email Krys Sands at [ksands@d88a.org](mailto:ksands@d88a.org) or call her at 815-744-6166 ext. 105 if you wish to link accounts.

### ***Elementary Office Hours:***

June 2 - June 16 hours of operation are 8:00am to 4:00pm

June 19 - June 30 Offices are closed on Fridays

Closed month of July

**\*\*Deadline for left items (report cards, supplies, etc.) to be picked up is June 23<sup>rd</sup>\*\***

## **FROM THE JR. HIGH ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/ATHLETIC DIRECTOR**

Our PBIS end of year celebrations were very successful as all students in K-8 selected as Best of the Nest were able to enjoy a good time at Family Fun Zone last week and all Jr. High students with 4 quarters of Exemplary Behavior enjoyed a good time at Crest Hill Lanes this week! I know our elementary students also had a good time at the King and Queen's Ball and Masquerade Balls last week as well. We look to continue our partnerships with both Family Fun Zone and Crest Hill Lanes next year.

## **FROM THE JR. HIGH ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/ATHLETIC DIRECTOR** (continued)

Summer Camp due dates have passed, but we will still allow students to come to camp. We just had to get our coaches and alumni lined up and get the T-shirts and snacks ordered. Golf Camp is up next week. All students playing sports next year are encouraged to attend Summer camps to improve their skills and learn to enjoy the sport more. Call the school if you have any questions.

Our Athletic Motto was selected for next year: "Practice with Purpose, Play with Passion." We look forward to students getting involved in extra-curricular activities next year. It's never too late to try something new!

Fall Sports Schedules are being passed out to all students who signed up for Golf, Baseball, Softball, Boys Soccer, and Cross Country. If you have a student who wants to play one of these sports, they will need to have sports physical, concussion, and commitment forms on file prior to the first day of practice. These will be given to the kids who signed up and are also available on the Athletics page of our website and in each office.

On behalf of the Jr. High Staff and Coaches, have a great summer!

**THE 2017-2018 CALENDAR IS ATTACHED THIS WEEK FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE.**





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## District Office Summer Hours

June 2 - June 16 hours are 8:00am to 4:00pm  
June 19 - June 30 Office closed on Fridays

LATE NIGHT REGISTRATIONS:

**Tuesday, July 25, 2017**  
**Noon until 8 pm**

**Thursday, August 3, 2017**  
**Noon until 8 pm**

**AFTER AUGUST 3, REGISTRATION IS  
BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.**



**DON'T FORGET TO  
WORK ON YOUR  
SUMMER PACKETS!**



**HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR 2017-20108  
REGISTRATION PACKET?**

Please send your packet in and beat the  
rush!

Remember EVERY year:

- residency documents **MUST** be provided,
- parent initials **MUST** be on Fee Bill, and
- **BOTH** sides of the Emergency sheet **MUST** be complete!!

Call 815-744-7288 ext. 2212 with any questions.



**YOU CAN STILL BRING  
YOUR COMPLETED RETURNING  
REGISTRATION PAPERS  
TO THE DISTRICT OFFICE  
UNTIL THE END OF JULY.**



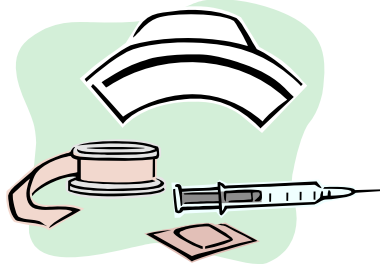
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### MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

All medication in the nurse's office must be picked up by June 29th or it will be disposed of. All medication in pill form, liquids, and injectable medication must be picked up by a parent. Inhalers will only be sent home on the last day with students if the parent sends a note requesting the inhaler be sent home with the student. Letters detailing medication pick-up and forms for next school year, were sent home with those students who currently have medication in the office. Additional forms are available from the office or can be printed from our website at the link below or are also available in the district and school offices.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B--NIhFT-JrdNkh3bUd0U3I1Yjg?usp=sharing>

Please note- **For inhalers only a prescription box or label may be submitted to the nurse for authorization**, provided it includes all necessary information. Students with Asthma are asked to have their Dr complete an Asthma Action Plan also to submit with their inhaler authorization

### Grade 6 PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

**Letters notifying parents of the 6th grade requirements were sent home with 5<sup>th</sup> grade students, in February.** All students entering Grade 6 will need to turn in completed physicals and provide proof of receiving 1 dose of the Tdap vaccine, 1 dose of the Meningococcal vaccine, and 3 doses of the Hepatitis B vaccine. In addition students must have 2 Varicella Vaccines or documentation from their health care provider of a history of Chickenpox (the disease). Students will be excluded from school if all requirements are not in compliance. All documentation must be dated and signed by your Doctor's office with a phone number listed.

**Physicals and Proof of Immunization from your physician's office must be turned in to the nurses office by August 12<sup>th</sup>, in order for students to attend the 1<sup>st</sup> day of school.** Completed physicals may be brought to me until the end of the school year. Over the summer completed physicals may be dropped off in the district office in June and July, or the nurses' office starting August 1st.

Questions can be emailed to me at [dsakalas@d88a.org](mailto:dsakalas@d88a.org) regarding your child's requirements.

Have a great summer!

Mrs. Sakalas

## Textbook Adoption 2017-2018

### Junior High Math Adoption

Eureka Math

Engage NY

Pilot Grade 5 2016-2017

Adoption Grades 5-8 2017-2018

On-Line Curriculum Links:

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/grade-5-mathematics>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/grade-6-mathematics>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/grade-7-mathematics>

<https://www.engageny.org/resource/grade-8-mathematics>

### Junior High Science Adoption

STEM Scopes

Accelerate Learning

Pilot Grades 6-8 2016-2017

Adoption Grades 6-8 2017-2018

On-Line Curriculum Links: \*\*Log-in with your student's google ID and password.

<https://www.acceleratelearning.com/>

### Junior High Spanish Adoption (per LTHS)

EntreCulturas 1

Wayside Publishing

Adoption Grades 7-8 2017-2018

Books on display in Media Center

On-Line Curriculum Links:<http://www.waysidepublishing.com/titles/spanish/entreculturas-1>

### Elementary Science Adoption

FOSS-NGSS Addition

FOSS Publishing

Pilot Grades K-5 2016-2017

Adoption Grades K-5 2017-2018

Kits on display in the Library

Hands-on Kits and On-Line Curriculum Link:<https://www.fossweb.com/>

### Elementary Math Adoption

GO Math

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

Adoption 2017-2018

Books on display in the Media Center

On-Line Curriculum Links:

<http://www.hmhco.com/shop/education-curriculum/math/elementary-mathematics/go-math-k-8>

# ANNUAL COMMUNITY SHRED DAY



Crest Hill City Clerk, Vicki Hackney, will be hosting a free shred day for Crest Hill residents. Saturday, June 17, 2017 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

The shred day will be held at the City Hall parking lot located at 1610 Plainfield Road. Limit is three (3) boxes. Questions? please call (815) 741-5100.

**RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT 88A  
2017-2018 CALENDAR**

**Revised 05/02/2017**

<b>Month/Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Notes</b>
August 14	Monday	Teacher Institute Day	No Classes
August 15	Tuesday	Teacher Institute Day	No Classes
August 16	Wednesday	Grades 1-8 First Student Attendance Day (SIP Day)	Half Day (JH 11:00- EL 11:25)
August 21	Monday	First Day of Kindergarten	
September 1	Friday	Early Dismissal (AM & PM Kindergarten Attendance 8:25 – 11:25)	JHS 12:55 PM ES 1:25 PM
September 4	Monday	Labor Day	No Classes
October 6	Friday	Early Dismissal (AM & PM Kindergarten Attendance 8:25 – 11:25)	JHS 12:55 PM ES 1:25 PM
October 9	Monday	Columbus Day	No Classes
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Ends – October 20</b>			
October 30	Monday	Teacher Institute Parent Teacher Conferences 5-8:30 pm	No Classes
October 31	Tuesday	Parent Teacher Conferences – 8–11:40 am	No Classes
November 1	Wednesday	Parent Teacher Conferences 1-8:10 pm	No Classes
November 10	Friday	Veteran’s Day – Classes in session	
November 21	Tuesday	Early Dismissal (AM & PM Kindergarten Attendance 8:25 – 11:25)	JHS 12:55 PM ES 1:25 PM
November 22	Wednesday	Thanksgiving Break	No Classes
November 23	Thursday	Thanksgiving Day	No Classes
November 24	Friday	Thanksgiving Break	No Classes
December 21	Thursday	Early Dismissal (AM & PM Kindergarten Attendance 8:25 – 11:25)	JHS 12:55 PM ES 1:25 PM
December 22nd - January 5th		Winter Break	No Classes
January 8	Monday	Teacher Institute Day	No Classes
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Ends – January 12</b>			
January 15	Monday	Martin Luther King Day	No Classes
February 16	Friday	School Improvement Day (AM & PM Kindergarten Attendance 8:25 – 11:25)	Half Day (JH 11:00- EL 11:25)
February 19	Monday	President’s Day	No Classes
March 5	Monday	Casimir Pulaski Day	No Classes
March 29	Thursday	Early Dismissal (AM & PM Kindergarten Attendance 8:25 – 11:25)	JHS 12:55 PM ES 1:25 PM
March 30	Friday	Good Friday	No Classes
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Ends – March 16</b>			
April 2nd – April 6 <sup>th</sup>		Spring Break	No Classes
May 18	Friday	School Improvement Day (AM & PM Kindergarten Attendance 8:25 – 11:25)	Half Day (JH 11:00- EL 11:25)
May 25	Friday	Early Dismissal (AM & PM Kindergarten Attendance 8:25 – 11:25)	JHS 12:55 PM ES 1:25 PM
May 25	Friday	<b>Last Day Student Attendance – 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Ends</b>	
May 28	Monday	Memorial Day	No Classes
Proposed Emergency Days May 29, 30, 31 and June 1, 4			Emergency Days

Regular school days will be extended one day for each emergency day used during the school year. If no emergency days are used, the last official day of school will be May 25, 2018.

# LTHS Class of 2021

## Important Dates

### Parent/Guardian/Student

~~Jan. 28, 2017~~ ~~**Freshman Registration:** Provide Residency documents & meet with counselor...more information given at Step Up Night~~

June 12-29, 2017 **Fresh Start**

July 1, 2017 **Deadline:** 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Physical Due

August, 2017 **Freshman Orientation:** Receive Class Schedule

### Important Information

**9<sup>th</sup> Grade Physicals:** ALL INCOMING FRESHMEN must have a 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Physical and Shot Record. You will receive the DHS Physical Form in your January Registration Packet; it is also available online at [www.lths.org](http://www.lths.org). Note: Freshmen Physicals also count as Sports Physicals, and are valid for one year from the date of the physical. **Completed physical must be on file before the start of the school year.**

**Enrollment/Residency Requirements:** The person with legal custody of the student, with whom the student lives in LTHS School District 205, must provide required enrollment documentation. Your student's enrollment is not complete until all required documents are approved and on file. Students not completely enrolled prior to August 2017 will not receive their Freshman Schedule. A list of the required enrollment documents is available online at [www.lths.org](http://www.lths.org).