



Ringgold Middle School

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Dear Ringgold Middle School Families,

I wanted to thank you for all of your efforts and understanding during this unprecedented time which has made our "normal" education so challenging. Our entire building staff have been working hard to provide the best possible learning opportunities for our students while we all navigate these uncharted waters together. This pandemic has shifted a lot of that educational burden to families at home and the response has been overwhelming. I cannot express my gratitude for each RMS family's willingness to maintain their child's learning.

This situation has also required us to make some changes to how we typically spend our last nine weeks of the year together. Usually, there are step-up days, award ceremonies, item collection, locker cleanouts, etc. Many questions have been raised about how we will accomplish these tasks in a safe way. Please see the information below with details for each.

Dr. Jamie Brownfield
School Counselor

Mrs. Sherry Black
School Counselor

Ms. Amy Lucas
School Counselor

Eighth Grade Awards Ceremony

Each year, we recognize our eighth grade students who have distinguished themselves among their peers. This year, since we cannot assemble the student body as usual, we will be live streaming the Eighth Grade Awards Ceremony on Friday, May 22 at 11:00am. Students and families may view this live stream event by going to the link below. It will also be recorded and shared for those folks who do not have a chance to view it live.

Link to the live stream*: <https://bit.ly/rmsawards8>

*Requires students to be logged into Ringgold Google accounts

Mrs. Julie Clarvit
School Nurse

Ms. Yvonne Lenhart
Administrative Assistant
For Attendance

Mrs. Donna Yonkers
Administrative Assistant
For Guidance

Ninth Grade Step-Up & Orientation

The traditional Step-Up Day for our current eighth graders going to ninth grade has been cancelled. When Ninth Grade Orientation is scheduled, it will include many of the Step-Up Day elements students have experienced in the past. Ringgold High School will notify all incoming ninth grade families when Orientation is scheduled.

Returning and Collecting Materials

In the next few weeks, we will be announcing the process by which families can collect all of their child's belongings from the building. During that time, we will distribute locker contents, yearbooks, instruments, and any other personal items from the building. We will also be collecting items that need to be returned to the school during the same event. Again, more information will be shared as soon as these times are scheduled.

Eighth Grade Formal Dance

The social distancing policies currently in place have required us to cancel the eighth grade formal for this year. While we know this is very unfortunate, student safety has to come first and foremost.

I hope this information, and that which follows, helps answer many of the questions you may have. As always, if you have any questions and/or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Thank you and stay safe,

James Klugh
Principal
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