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Riverton High School

September 2013

Principal's Corner

Carolyn Gough



Dear Parents & Students,

By the intensity of the cheers and roar of the crowd in the gym this last Tuesday night you would have thought it was the state championship volleyball match, and in a way it was. The ball volleyed skillfully back and forth across the gym until one of our front line popped it up in a set and another sent it smashing to our opponents' side of the floor for a well-earned point. During the fifth and tie breaking match the intensity increased again as one by one points accumulated in our favor and the match ended on an incredible spike! In 5 matches, our Riverton Silverwolves defeated last year's 5A state volleyball champions! As the cheers died out and players made their way to family and fans, I smiled and realized how good it is to be a part of a high school. But it's not just any high school. This is Riverton and it is home to students, teachers, and staff who find joy in learning, serving, improving, and continually striving to achieve new goals.

Our girls volleyball win the other night is just one of so many daily and weekly victories that happen at Riverton. Some of these victories are public like Grand Champion and Showmanship awards for five FFA students at the county fair in August, an intense overtime win for girl's soccer, a dramatic defeat dished out by football in the Rocky Mountain Rumble, or several well-executed marching band performances this summer. Sometimes these victories are less well-known like one whole class obtaining all 5's on their AP Art exam, the new personal best set by a Silverwolf cross-country runner, or a peer tutor helping another student accomplish a task for the first time.

Although these victories may be public or completely private, they are happening because the opportunities have been provided and students, teachers, and staff are eager to succeed and to support each other throughout the learning process.

I've often had a conversation with friends who are also the parents of middle school and high school aged children who ask what they can do to help their students be successful in school. While there may be many different answers to this question, one suggestion that I make is to encourage their student to get involved in one of the many activity groups at the high school. There are clubs for so many varied interests, team sports, writing and publishing opportunities, technology experiences, and classes that provide college credit, hands on learning, and club affiliation.

I encourage all of our students to get connected to a school activity, team, or club because it will connect them to other students and adults who can provide additional support even outside of their primary area of interest. In the end, personal and public victories are really the effect of taking opportunities, sticking to something, and working hard to meet a goal.

As we begin this new school year I encourage students and parents alike to take an active role in high school. Get involved in a club, sport, or performance group. Take the opportunity to join PTA, the School Community Council, or attend parent teacher conferences. I am excited for the coming school year and hope that each student has a moment sometime this year when they can look around and think to themselves how good it is to be a part of Riverton High School.

SILVER WOLF PRIDE DAY



Saturday September 14th

9am -12pm

- Counts as 4 hours of attendance school
- Counts towards Silverwolf Medallion
- Community service hours
- FREE DOUGHNUTS AND CHOCOLATE MILK

Come support RHS by cleaning up the school!
MEET IN THE COMMONS

Choir Department

Ice Cream!!! The RHS Madrigal Singers will be holding their annual "Ice Cream Sing Thing" on September 23, at 6:00 pm. Come enjoy some light music, company, and great dessert!

Concert Rescheduled: The first RHS Choirs combined concert of the year is moving from its originally scheduled date of October 22nd to October 23rd (Wednesday). Please make note of that change, and come enjoy their debut concert. For more information please see www.rhschoirs.org.



Attendance School Times

Tuesday 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Thursday 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Friday 7:00 am to 8:30 am
Saturday 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

Subject to Change!

Riverton Marching Band

Friends and Family night is Friday, September 13th at RHS football stadium. Join us at 6:00 pm for a "tailgate" with families and alumni of the band program. Concessions, Riverton Band Swag, and Memorabilia will be on sale in addition to several drawings and prizes. The band will take the field at approximately 7:30pm.

From the Drama Department



RHS Theatre Dept. is thrilled to kick off another exciting year. RHS Theatre alumni and students were involved in several productions across the state of Utah this past Summer including: *Annie Get Your Gun* (Sundance), *Ragtime* (Hale Center Theatre WVC- with Mr. Eaton), *Tarzan* (Hale WVC), *In the Heights* (Hale Orem), *Peter Pan* (Herriman City), *Legally Blonde* (Midvale), and many, many more. Great job former students!

The RHS Shakespeare Team will be competing in Cedar City, Utah at the Utah Shakespeare Festival. We will be competing in Acting Ensemble (*The Comedy of Errors*), 2 Scenes (*Theatre 3 and 4 students*), 2 Monologues (*Theatre 3 and 4 students*), Dance Ensemble (*Much Ado About Nothing*), Dance Duo (*Coriolanus*) and, last but not least, Technical Olympics (8 students defending our 1st Place Trophy from the past 2 years!!) Students will also be viewing *Richard II* and *Peter and the Starcatcher* being performed at the Utah Shakespeare Festival.

The competition will be Oct. 3-5th, 2013 and there is a mandatory parent meeting in the Drama Room on **Thursday, Sept. 26th at 5:30pm**. We will provide a notary so please bring insurance info. All students going to the competition must have a parent present at the meeting.

Auditions for the school musical are **Sept. 9 and 10th** for *Hello Dolly!* This musical will be big, fun and perform Nov. 14, 15, 16, and 18th at 7:00pm in the RHS Auditorium. Over 100 student technicians, musicians, and actors will be participating in this fun event.

Tickets are on sale now for theatre students to see *Something's Afoot* at Pioneer Theatre Company for \$6.00. See Mr. Eaton or Ms. McGuire for more information. Tickets will go on sale in October for our second show, *Other Desert Cities* for \$6.00 as well. Our Drama Club Opening Social will be **Friday, Sept. 20th** at 4:30pm before the Homecoming Game. Come to the Drama Room for food, fun and games-- and then go cheer on the Silverwolves together for the game! Stay tuned for our Halloween Social for October.

Last, but not least, pick up information for our New York City Trip from Mr. Eaton in the Drama Room. A deposit needs to be turned in by Halloween to Thomas Travel. We will be going June 17-23rd, 2014. It will be a fun trip with 6 shows and lots of activities. See Mr. Eaton for more details. Friends and family are welcome to go!
---Clin Eaton



DECA OPENING SOCIAL

Wednesday, September 17th
In the Tech Atrium 2:30 pm

DECA prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in marketing/business, finance, hospitality and management in high schools around the globe www.deca.org.

The Riverton High DECA Opening Social is coming up! Meet in the Tech Atrium after school on Wednesday, September 17th to learn how DECA prepares you in marketing and business, learn what DECA is and have lots of fun with food, music, and friends.



RIVERTON HIGH PRESENTS DECA INVITATIONAL

On October 3rd, we will be hosting the Riverton Invitational Premier (RIP), the first DECA competition of the year! This will be an incredible opportunity to understand DECA and have tons of fun with hundreds of students across the state. Pay \$10 to the main office and take the receipt to Mr. Wood (room 1065) to register. The cost covers dinner and awards. Parent volunteers are needed as judges for competition.

If you are interested or have any questions, contact Olivia Fischer (President) at oliviasfischer@live.com or Tom Wood (Advisor) at tom.wood@jordandistrict.org.

FFA News

Riverton FFA participated in the Salt Lake County Fair. They competed by showing pigs, steers, lambs and goats. Many students will also be presenting their animals at the Utah State Fair on September 13. Listed below are the Salt Lake County Fair Winners.

Tanner Maxfield

Grand Champion Market Pig
Reserve Champion Market Steer
Reserve Champion Market Goat
3rd place Goat Showmanship
Grand Champion Record Book

Cheyenne Carter

Grand Champion Lamb Showman
3rd place Market Steer

Kimberly McClellan

Reserve Champion Market Lamb

Weston Hogan

Grand Champion Hog Showman
Reserve Champion Breeding Goat
Round Robin Showman Grand Champion

Alex Hansen- (Graduated)

Grand Champion Market Goat
3rd Place Junior Livestock Judging

Faculty Recognition



Carolyn Gough was appointed the principal of Riverton High in June 2013 and is excited to be the first female principal the school has had! Before coming to Riverton, she was the principal of South Hills Middle School and an assistant principal at Bingham High. She also worked in the Jordan School District Office as an administrator over Language Arts and World Languages working on curriculum, professional development, and dual immersion programs throughout the district. Ms. Gough received her administrative degree from the University of Maryland and her Bachelor degree from Brigham Young University. Before going into administration, Ms. Gough was a teacher and a coach. She taught English to students in grades 9-12, including AP Literature and Language as well as General and AP Psychology at Jordan and Provo High Schools. She also coached girls soccer and softball at Provo High.

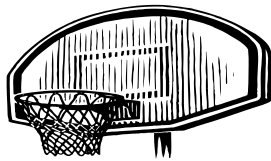
Ms. Gough loves to watch sports and attend plays and concerts. Although she took piano lessons as a child, she regrets not knowing how to play now, but is a great appreciator of music. She loves staying active in the outdoors and enjoys exploring new cultures and foods. A self-described "word nerd," she loves to read and enjoys watching documentaries and other educational T.V. programs (when she has time to watch at all). Since the time she taught a unit to 9th grade students that featured wolves, she has always loved them and is thrilled to be Silverwolf since purple and silver are two of her favorite colors!



Mathew W. Ulmer is starting as the Choral Conductor at Riverton High in the Fall of 2013. He is honored to be following two amazing choral conductors at Riverton: Tricia Martindale and LeAnna Willmore. Mr. Ulmer graduated from the University of Utah and earned a Masters of Music in Teaching from the University of Utah in 2003. Before taking the position at Riverton High School, he taught the subjects of Choral Music, English and History at Evergreen Jr High in Granite School District. He has loved his experience singing in choirs throughout his life from the Skyline High Madrigals, University of Utah Acapella Choir, to his current participation in the Utah Voices community choir. And as of September 6th, Mr. Ulmer moved to Riverton with his wife Kim, and four children Madison, Isaac, Brooklyn, and McKinley.

Need ACT Help?

Online prep classes available--stop by the Counseling Center TODAY to get your username, password, and other important information.



Boys Fall BASKETBALL CAMP

October 2, 3, 15, 16

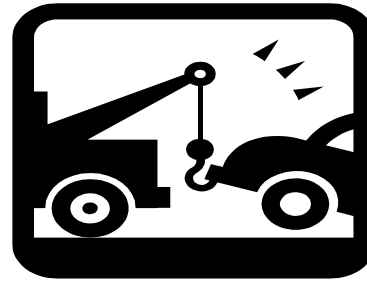
Grades 7-9 6:00-7:30 p.m. \$30

Grades 10-12 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$35

Registration available through Salt Lake County Recreation or pick up a flyer from Coach Galley in Room 2626.

HAS BEEN CLASSIC

Riverton HS will hold its first ever men's alumni basketball tournament on Friday/Saturday, October 25th & 26th.
(steven.galley@jordandistrict.org)



DRIVER EDUCATION RANGES

Please assume that a driver education range session is scheduled in the north student parking lot each school day (Mon-Fri 3-7 p.m.) as well as most school holidays and Saturdays (7 or 8 a.m. through 12 or 1 p.m.). The range area is posted with no parking signs and the parking stalls within the range are painted in maroon. If you park in a yellow stall outside of the range, you are safe from ticketing or towing. We dislike ticketing or towing, but will do so when necessary. Please ASSUME there is a range! Thank you for your cooperation.

PTA 5K

The PTA, with assistance from the RHS cross-country team, hosted the first "Run with the Pack" 5K and one-mile fun run. We had over 100 runners. The overall 5K winner was RHS' own coach/teacher Chase Englestead followed by two RHS alumni, Parker Howell and Isaac Robertson. The women were led by RHS swim coach/teacher Samantha Weed and by Angela Acord. The RHS swim team had the highest participation rate and earned a pizza party. Notable runners included RHS Principal Carolyn Gough and RHS Assistant Principal Kevin Barton. For full results, go to <http://www.runnercard.com/> 2013 results for road races. Thanks to great sponsors, every runner received a goodie bag with a toothbrush and toothpaste, water, granola bar, candy, free cookie, and much more! A big thank you to the sponsors, participants, and especially to the cross-country team! It was a fun event.



Thank You!

The RHS PTA would like to send a huge Thank You to all of our community sponsors and to all of those who ran in our race. We love our community!

Arctic Circle
Texas Road House
Little Caesar's
Stone Creek Dental
Talbot Orthodontics
McDonald's
Great Harvest Bread
Walmart
Sam's Club
Smith's
Sun Kissed
Costco
Sizzler
Applebee's
Buffalo Wild Wings
Rocky Mountain Chocolate
Chili's
Great Clips (Riverton Center)
Sports Clips
Twisted Loxx
Village Inn
Silverwolf Dental
Qticles Nails
IHC Riverton Hospital
RUNGR8

**FALL REGIONAL FINANCIAL AID
NIGHT**

ATTENTION SENIORS, PARENTS (and open to underclassmen as well): Please plan to attend an informative presentation on Tuesday, October 22, from 6 to 8 pm. It will be held at West Jordan High School (8136 S. 2700 West, West Jordan). 6:40 pm to 8:00 pm – College Representatives from Utah’s Colleges and Universities will be available to give information and answer questions.

Senior College Tour 2013-14

ATTENTION SENIORS:

College Tour will be held Friday, October 25, during periods 1 & 2 (and ends a few minutes into period 3). Please report to your 1st period class and you will be called down to the Auditorium at 8:45. You will obtain information regarding college planning and will have the opportunity to visit with 3 Utah college representatives of your choice.



We would love to have parents, students and teachers join the RHS PTA. If you didn't join when you registered it is not too late. Just contact Kellene Adams at kadams@stampinup.com or Sheila McDonald at sheilamcd@msn.com or any other board member whom you know. Local membership fees go to great programs such as Teacher Appreciation Week, Student of the Month and Battle of the Bands. Even if you don't want to join PTA we would love to have you as a volunteer for as little or as much time as you would like to give.

Reflections

"Believe, Dream, Inspire"

Come be a part of PTA Reflections! We had many great entries last year from some talented students and would love to see more this year. Your entry will be displayed in the lobby of our Reflections sponsor, First Utah Bank in Riverton.

Some teachers even give extra credit for entering. Ask them about it!

7 Categories: Visual Arts, Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Musical Composition, Photography and 3-D

Entry deadline: Friday, October 25, 2013, drop off your entry at the school library. Pick up your entry form at the school library and read the complete rules on-line (utahpta.org/reflections). Questions: contact Kiku Oldroyd - kikuoldroyd@gmail.com or counseling office on A days.

Come share your imagination.... enter Reflections!

**Riverton High School PTSA Proposed Budget
Fiscal Year 2013-2014**

	<u>Budget Amount</u>
<u>Anticipated Income:</u>	
Membership	\$ 650.00
Lifetouch Commission	\$ 1,100.00
Battle of the Bands	\$ 800.00
Riverton Hospital Sponsorship	\$ 500.00
Fundraiser	\$ 1,300.00
PTA Day at Harmons	\$ 800.00
First Utah Bank Sponsorship	<u>\$ 250.00</u>
Total anticipated income:	\$ 5,400.00
Carry forward - beginning of year	\$ 5,058.00
Total cash available:	\$10,458.00
<u>Anticipated Expenditures:</u>	
Operating Expenses	\$ 670.00
Hospitality	\$ 1,550.00
Programs and Awards	<u>\$ 7,750.00</u>
Total Anticipated Expenses	\$ 9,970.00
Estimated Carry forward	\$ 488.00

We need YOU!

Riverton High School Community Council

Serving on the School Community Council

Serving on our School Community Council is a wonderful way to contribute and help improve academic performance at Riverton High School. The school receives an annual dividend from the school land trust Program. Our council decides how these funds will be used. Last year our school received \$198,000 from the School Land Trust Program. The council also reviews and prepares other academic plans for our students each year. All plans are reviewed for final approval by our school board. Councils also act in an advisory capacity to school and school district administrations.

Qualifications/Requirements

Every public school in Utah has a School Community Council. The councils are made up of parents and school employees. Membership terms are for two years. Riverton High School accepts all parents who would like to serve on the School Community Council. Parent members must have a student attending the school during one of the first two years of their service. For more information please visit www.schoollandtrust.org.

Members should be willing to attend the council meetings which are held four times during the year on Wednesdays at 5:00PM. Our meetings this year are scheduled October 2, January 15, March 5, April 2, (and May 7 if needed). Members of the council will need to agree to have their email and/or phone number published and sent out to all patrons of Riverton High School.

Please fill out the form below and return to the main office no later than: Friday, Sept 27, 2013. Your membership will be established by your attendance at our first council meeting on October 2, 2013.

RIVERTON HIGH SCHOOL

12476 So. 2700 West Riverton, Utah 84065 • ph. 801-256-5800 fax 801-256-5880

YES! I would like to serve on the School Community Council.

Parent/Guardian Information:

Parent/Guardian Printed Name: _____ Date _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>
I am the parent/guardian of these students:	_____	_____
	_____	_____
	_____	_____

I am a licensed employee of Jordan School District. Yes No

PHONE _____ EVE PHONE _____



September 4, 2013

Riverton High School Students and Parents,

On Wednesday, September 18th, all Riverton High School 10th grade students will be taking the PLAN test. The PLAN test is a national test sponsored by the ACT College testing organization which assesses student college readiness. This test is especially valuable for 10th grade students as it prepares them to take the ACT test during the 11th grade. On Wednesday, September 18th, there will be a "delayed" start of school for all 11th and 12th grade students. The class schedule for that day is as follows:

- 7:30 a.m. All 10th grade students report to the assigned testing room. 10th grade students will previously be given room assignments by teachers. Testing Room Lists will be posted in the main hall, main office and attendance office. Students will be immediately seated in classrooms with assigned seats and testing materials.
- 11:00 a.m. 11th and 12th Grade students arrive at school
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Common lunch for 10th, 11th, and 12th Grade students
- 11:50 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 1st Period (40 minutes – includes 5 minutes for school announcements)
- 12:35 p.m. – 1:10 p.m. 2nd Period (35 minutes)
- 1:15 p.m. – 1:50 p.m. 3rd Period (35 minutes)
- 1:55 p.m. – 2:25 p.m. 4th Period (30 minutes)
- 2:25 p.m. School dismissed for the day

Even though this test is being administered at Riverton High School by school personnel, all required PLAN/ACT rules and regulations must be followed. Students should bring two "number two" pencils. Some calculators are allowed depending on PLAN/ACT guidelines. Those guidelines are listed on the PLAN/ACT website. **Students are not allowed to bring cell phones, any electronic devices, backpacks, purses, food, drinks, or other personal gear, schoolwork, or any reading materials into the testing classrooms.** Any infraction of these requirements will invalidate PLAN test scores and students will be excluded from the testing opportunity.

11th and 12th grade students arriving to school at 11:00 a.m. must go directly to the school cafeteria. Arriving students will not be allowed in other school hallways or in classrooms during the morning testing experience. There will be no tolerance for any school disruption or classroom intrusion during the testing time. The main office and attendance office will be open for regular school business during the morning hours; however, the registrar office, counseling office, all teachers, counselors, and administrators will be directly involved in the PLAN testing and will not be available for school business between 7:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on that day.

There will be two morning transportation bus runs to school on that day: the first bus run will be at the regular time and the second bus run will begin at approximately 10:30 a.m. The regular bus routes will be followed for the two morning bus runs. Buses transporting students home at the end of the school day will arrive at the same time and follow the same routes.

In these final days prior to taking the PLAN test, 10th grade students should familiarize themselves with the PLAN test information available at www.act.org/plan. On this site there is information available about the test, tips for doing your best, what the score report means, and planning for the future. During the week before the test, students need to get plenty of rest, maintain a healthy diet, and structure their schedules and activities to focus on testing success.

This is a preparatory test to taking the ACT test in the 11th grade. These testing experiences are great opportunities for students to measure their college readiness and to evaluate the academic opportunities and curriculum content available to students at Riverton High School. Be prepared. Do your best. Best wishes for a great PLAN and future ACT testing experience of which all of our students will be proud.

H.R. Connections

Monthly Updates for
School Principals & Secretaries

Jordan School District
Human Resources 

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Welcome Back To School!!!



This issue

- Welcome back
- Secretary Meeting
- Employee Injury Reporting

The Annual Training for School/Department Administrative Assistants

The annual training for school and department administrative assistants will be held Wednesday, September 4, 2013, from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the auditorium at the Auxiliary Services Building. All school and department administrative assistants are encouraged to attend this informative meeting.

On the Agenda:

- Student Injury Reporting
- Employee Injury Reporting
- New Hire/Change Form Online Process
- Online Part-time Applications
- Guidelines for 0050 Substitute Requests
- Recording and Verification of Substitute Hours Worked

Employee Injury Reporting

What form do employees need to complete if they have a work injury?

Employees who sustain injuries at work must complete the District First Report of Injury form. The First Report of Injury form is available online on the Secretary Connections web page under the "Return to Work Procedures" link. This form should be filled out for all work related injuries and submitted to Human Resources regardless of whether or not the employee seeks medical treatment.

When do I need to call Pinnacle Risk Management to report a work injury?

You only need to contact Pinnacle to report a work injury if the employee seeks medical treatment. First Aid or Event Only claims do not need to be called in to Pinnacle but you will need to make sure the employee fills out the First Report of Injury form and submit to Human Resources. If an employee files a First Aid or Event Only claim and later decides to seek medical treatment, you will then contact Pinnacle Risk Management to report the injury.

