

# Riverview Reporter

2017-2018

SERVING THE SCHOOL

COMMUNITIES OF OAKMONT AND VERONA, PA



## What's New at Riverview?

# Lots of SERIOUS SUCCESS...

### First Day of School for Students

Monday, August 21, 2017  
FULL DAY OF SCHOOL  
Lunch Will Be Served

### VERNER & TENTH STREET

#### Grades K-6

Classes Begin . . . . . 8:30AM  
Classes Dismissed . . . . . 3:05PM

### HIGH SCHOOL

#### Grades 7-12

First Period Begins. . . . . 7:40AM  
Dismissal. . . . . 2:22PM

### FORBES ROAD

Classes Begin  
August 24, 2017

- Current Teacher/Student Ratio of 10:1
- 100% Highly Qualified staff dedicated to giving our students individualized attention
- Pittsburgh Business Times Rankings: #1 Single A, #4 Single/Double AA, #28 Regional Overall
- 17 Athletic Teams & 25 Student Clubs
- 76 AP Scores of 3 and above (2017)Emphasis on K-12 Writing Curriculum
- Tenth Street SWPBIS Recognition
- Verner PennCan Award
- Pop UP Library
- Educational Foundation Teacher Grant Awards
- Model UN, National History Day and Key Club Awards
- International Model UN Trip
- Distinguished Athlete Awards
- Strong Band, Chorus, Orchestra, and Musical Program
- Over \$2 Million in Scholarship Monies Awarded to Class of 2017
- Active PTOs in all Buildings
- PAETC Outstanding Teacher of the Year and National School Board Association "20 to Watch"-Mrs. Poth
- PA Dance Teacher of the Year - Mr. Hart
- First Annual IMPACT Award Recipients: P. Palko, R. Vitti-Lyons, P. Myers
- Regional STEM Partnerships
- Governor's Institute, High5, BE THERE, Carnegie Science Center, Wellness Grants
- [www.rsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.rsd.k12.pa.us)

Academics. Arts. Athletics. Opportunities.

**SERIOUS SUCCESS**  
RIVERVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT

Check out the "State of the District" Report on the front page of our website.

Are you interested in learning more about Riverview's SERIOUS SUCCESS? Email us at [whatsnewatriverview@rsd.k12.pa.us](mailto:whatsnewatriverview@rsd.k12.pa.us). We will put you on our e-newsletter list and share our success with you throughout the year.

## Bully Prevention

Riverview is committed to providing a safe, positive learning environment for students. Bullying is prohibited. Please report any signs of bullying behavior to an administrator. You can also report bullying anonymously by clicking the "Report Bullying Here" links on the District Web Page ([www.rsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.rsd.k12.pa.us)) See Board Policy 249.

## Unlawful HARASSMENT

The district strives to provide a safe, positive climate for its students and staff. Therefore, it is the policy of the district to maintain an environment in which harassment in any form is not tolerated. See Board Policy 348.

## Volunteers

The District encourages and appreciates the many individuals who volunteer in our schools. Parental and community involvement helps to support student learning. State regulations require clearances for volunteers. Please visit the Volunteer section of our website and Board Policy 916.

## Two Important Days on the School Calendar

Parents and students reviewing the school calendar as they plan for a new school year, will notice two special days have been designated as Give Back Day and IMPACT Day.

### Give Back Day

The first annual GIVE BACK Day, a day providing our students with the opportunity to give back to the community, was a huge success! Students spent time feeding the hungry, sharing their talents, writing letters to the military, cleaning, visiting the elderly and involving themselves in a variety of other activities. On January 12, 2018, in honor of Martin Luther King Day, our students will create volunteer plans. These plans will then be implemented on Friday, May 4th, as students partake in volunteer activities around the community. If you or your organization is in need of assistance with something that our students may be able to help you with, kindly contact one of our school principals who will make arrangements for our students to assist you on May 4th, this year's Give Back Day.

### IMPACT DAY- Vitti-Lyons, Myers, and Palko Receive Riverview's First Annual IMPACT Awards!

During a celebration ceremony on June 2nd, 2017 - 21 citizens and educators were acknowledged for their support of Riverview School District children. Nominees for the First Annual IMPACT Award included: Ashely Duncan, Kevin Ewing, Pastor Donnie Marsh, John Hackworth, Patricia Palko, Steven Rowe, Mark Carlin, Dolly Provenza, Palma and Bobby Ostrowski, Kristy Lape, Kenneth Kubistek, Pierre Brun, Paul Myers, Dom Conte, Marti Nese, Roxanne Yorio, Shannon Kahne, Regina Vitti-Lyons, Katie Bigenho, and Karen Crowell. Information pertaining to how you can recognize and nominate an unsung hero for 2017-2018 school year, will be provided to all residents and families in the upcoming months. We look forward to celebrating the efforts of these wonderful people.

### TAKING OF PHOTOGRAPHS

During the school year, photographers may be taking pictures or video of students in various activities or for honors and awards. **If you do not want your child's picture to appear in any publicity forum, please fill out the form that your child receives on the first day of school and return it by September 15, 2017.**

# Student Transportation

## AM BUS PICK-UP TIMES AND LOCATIONS

### RV1

BUS STOPS	TIME
First & Center	7:15 am
First & South	7:18 am

### RV2

BUS STOPS	TIME
Second & South	7:15 am
Second & Center	7:18 am

### RV3

BUS STOPS	TIME
Grant & W. Railroad	7:15 am
All Stops around Hill on Center	7:20 am

All return trips will

leave High School	2:22 pm
Activity Bus (daily)	2:50 pm

### FORBES ROAD

BUS STOPS (AM CLASSES)	TIME
AR Blvd. at Wildwood	6:40 am
Second at South	6:42 am
Second at Center	6:43 am
First at Center	6:44 am
AR Blvd. at Center	6:45 am
AR Blvd. at California	6:46 am
AR Blvd. at Pennsylvania	6:47 am
Hulton at 5th Street	6:50 am
Tenth Street School	6:52 am

The Forbes Bus will leave from Tenth Street School at 6:55 am in the event a student is running late.

### NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION

ABC Transit and/or Non-Public school staff will contact parents of non-public school students with transportation arrangement details.

NOTE: Questions on bus transportation can be directed to Ms. Tammy Good at 412-828-1800, ext. 4020.

# Superintendent/Parent Workshops

Parents are invited and encouraged to join Superintendent, Dr. DiNinno, to learn more about District activities and programs through informal discussions. Workshops will take place on the following dates:

- Wednesday, September 13th - 10:00am-11:00am Central Office Conference Room
- Monday, November 6th - 5:30pm-6:30pm Verner Elementary School
- Wednesday, March 7th - 10:00am-11:00am Tenth Street Conference Room
- Monday, April 23rd - 6:00pm-6:45pm Jr-Sr High School Conference Room

## Swipe System

Those visiting our schools this year will find a swipe card and video communication system. This system permits access to visitors after a license screening is completed. The security system also tracks visitor entrance and exit times and dispenses a Visitor Badge. The system was purchased through the use of Safe School grant monies and has added another layer of security and safety for our students and staff.

## Special Education Services

*Dr. Christina Monroe*

In keeping with Riverview School District's mission, students with diverse learning needs are supported as they participate in the Riverview school experience. Riverview School District offers a range of services to meet the varying needs of students who may have learning difficulties, physical challenges, emotional difficulties and giftedness. Services are provided by special education teachers, highly qualified teachers, speech therapists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, school nurses, counselors, paraprofessionals and others with specialized training and expertise. RSD strives to provide every child with a free and appropriate education in the least restrictive environment. The administration and staff is dedicated to meeting the individual needs of all of their pupils, allowing them to reach their greatest potential. Please contact Dr. Christina Monroe, Special Education Coordinator at 412-828-1800 ext. 4070 or [cmonroe@rsd.k12.pa.us](mailto:cmonroe@rsd.k12.pa.us) for more information about Special Education services in the Riverview School District.

## Title I Services Summary for 2017-18 School Year

*Mr. David Zolkowski, Federal Programs Coordinator*

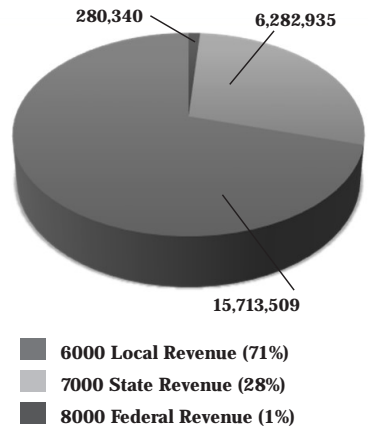
Title I is a federally funded program designed to ensure that all children have an opportunity to access a high quality education. The goal of this federal program is to close the achievement gap for all students. Schools are identified and authorized to implement the Title I Schoolwide program based on the percentage of students receiving free and/or reduced meals.

The Verner Elementary Title I Schoolwide program allows all students to be eligible for additional academic support. Federal funds are used to support and enhance the overall school program. Title I funds may be used to upgrade the entire school's educational program so that the overall education of ALL children who attend the school can be improved.

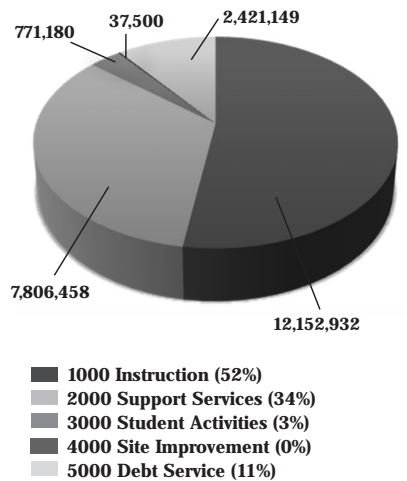
If you are interested in further information about Title I Schoolwide services in the Riverview School District, please contact Mr. David Zolkowski, Federal Programs Coordinator at 412-828-1800 ext 2021 or [dzolkowski@rsd.k12.pa.us](mailto:dzolkowski@rsd.k12.pa.us).

## 2017-2018

### Revenues



### Expenditures



## Millage Impact on Property Owners

Budget Market Value (23.0073 Mills)

\$25,000 . . . . .	\$575.18
\$50,000 . . . . .	\$1,150.36
\$100,000 . . . . .	\$2,300.73
\$200,000 . . . . .	\$4,601.46



# REVENUES

SERIES AND DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 2014-2015	BUDGET 2015-2016	BUDGET 2016-2017	BUDGET 2017-2018
<b>6000 – Revenue From Local Sources</b>				
6111-01 – Real Estate Taxes Oakmont	\$12,029,583	11,827,840	12,401,014	12,852,009
6111-02 – Real Estate Taxes Verona				
Homestead Exclusion (Deducted from Real Estate Taxes)	(355,506)			
<b>TOTAL Real Estate Taxes</b>	<b>\$11,674,077</b>	<b>\$11,827,840</b>	<b>\$12,401,014</b>	<b>\$12,852,009</b>
6113-00 – Public Utility Realty	14,000	14,000	15,000	15,500
6143-00 – Occupational Privilege Tax	14,500	14,500	22,000	23,000
6151-00 – Earned Income Tax	1,000,000	1,200,000	1,200,000	1,141,000
6153-00 – Real Estate Transfer Tax	170,000	200,000	175,000	160,000
6411-01 – Delinquent Taxes Oakmont Real Estate	525,000	525,000	1,117,664	1,210,000
6411-02 – Delinquent Taxes Verona Real Estate				
6510-00 – Interest Earned on Investments	10,000	10,000	8,000	21,000
6710-00 – Athletic Events	20,000	20,000	20,000	15,000
6831-00 – IDEIA Funds	200,000	200,000	188,000	181,000
6910-00 – Rental Fees (Buildings etc.)	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
6941-00 – Tuition Payments	0	0	0	0
6990-01 – Retiree Benefits (Fund Balance)	0	0	0	0
6990-02 – Misc. Revenue	65,000	65,000	65,000	85,000
<b>TOTAL Local Revenue</b>	<b>\$13,702,577</b>	<b>\$14,086,340</b>	<b>\$15,221,678</b>	<b>\$15,713,509</b>
<b>7000 – Revenue From State Sources</b>				
7110-00 – Basic Subsidy	\$3,010,159	\$3,001,531	2,908,277	2,999,808
7110-00 – Block Grants	0	0	0	0
7140-00 – Charter School Subsidy	0	0	0	0
7210-00 – Homebound	0	0	0	0
7271-00 – Special Education	633,420	772,946	675,000	677,266
7290-00 – Other Subsidies (Liquid Fuels Tax)	0	0	0	0
7310-00 – Transportation	158,000	158,000	169,000	153,000
7320-00 – Debt Service Reimbursement	389,500	389,500	341,000	288,120
7330-01 – Medical Services	23,500	23,500	23,500	22,000
7340-00 – Homestead Exclusion	355,506	355,458	356,148	356,590
7501-00 – Accountability Block Grants	49,349	78,689	118,673	126,151
7810-00 – Social Security	338,080	338,080	350,000	360,000
7820-00 – Retirement	943,000	800,000	1,250,000	1,300,000
<b>TOTAL State Revenue Sources</b>	<b>\$5,900,514</b>	<b>\$5,917,704</b>	<b>\$6,191,598</b>	<b>\$6,282,935</b>
<b>8000-00 – Revenue From Federal Sources</b>				
8514-01 – Title I	\$154,031	\$186,832	203,635	204,000
8560-00 – Title V	0	0	0	0
8670-00 – Drug Free Schools	0	0	0	0
8515-00 – Title II Class Size Reduction	53,663	53,724	53,724	0
8516-00 – Title III Language Instruction	0	0	0	340
8810-00 – Medical Assistance	100,000	100,000	0	0
8820-00 – Medical Claims Reimbursement	8,000	8,000	6,000	76,000
<b>TOTAL Federal Revenue Sources</b>	<b>\$348,495</b>	<b>\$365,359</b>	<b>\$263,359</b>	<b>\$280,340</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL – Revenue Sources</b>				
6000 – Local	\$13,702,577	\$14,086,340	\$15,221,678	\$15,713,509
7000 – State	5,900,514	5,917,704	6,191,598	6,282,935
8000 – Federal	348,495	365,359	263,359	280,340
<b>GRAND TOTAL – Revenue Sources</b>	<b>\$19,951,586</b>	<b>\$20,369,403</b>	<b>\$21,676,635</b>	<b>\$22,276,784</b>

# EXPENDITURES

SERIES AND DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 2014-2015	BUDGET 2015-2016	BUDGET 2016-2017	BUDGET 2017-2018
1000 – Instruction				
1100 – Regular Instruction . . . . .	\$8,420,102	\$8,590,615	\$8,723,964	\$9,273,080
1200 – Special Education/Gifted & Talented . . . . .	1,982,216	2,117,079	2,343,207	2,315,524
1300 – Vocational Education . . . . .	593,931	560,547	531,710	532,813
1400 – Other Instructional Programs . . . . .	2,464	2,415	11,000	31,515
<b>TOTAL 1000 – Instruction . . . . .</b>	<b>\$10,314,219</b>	<b>\$10,998,713</b>	<b>\$11,609,881</b>	<b>\$12,152,932</b>
<b>2000 – Support Services</b>				
2120 – Pupil Personnel - Guidance . . . . .	488,669	535,593	556,195	612,713
2220 – Technology Support . . . . .	561,109	611,447	640,791	639,336
2250 – Library Services . . . . .	276,845	285,960	304,380	326,760
2260/70 – Instruction & Curriculum Development . . . . .	202,966	268,952	313,664	309,112
2290 – Instruction Staff – Other . . . . .	610,390	658,350	746,204	810,040
2310 – Board Services . . . . .	7,800	23,800	27,700	35,000
2330 – Tax Collection . . . . .	29,600	25,500	87,500	146,200
2350 – Legal . . . . .	139,200	139,200	139,200	150,300
2360 – Superintendent’s Office . . . . .	436,248	394,041	474,498	498,499
2380 – Principal’s Office . . . . .	855,202	949,039	1,009,842	1,059,206
2400 – Pupil Health . . . . .	238,738	266,613	266,385	272,545
2500 – Business Office . . . . .	308,121	315,140	355,695	377,680
2600 – Operation & Maintenance of Plants . . . . .	1,563,008	1,590,531	1,654,051	1,646,067
2700 – Student Transportation . . . . .	762,399	782,280	793,153	903,000
2900 – Other Support Services . . . . .	17,800	16,000	18,000	20,000
<b>TOTAL 2000 – Support Services . . . . .</b>	<b>\$6,498,095</b>	<b>\$6,862,446</b>	<b>\$7,387,258</b>	<b>\$7,806,458</b>
<b>3000 – Other Support Services – Non-Instructional</b>				
3200 – Student Activities . . . . .	6678,619	566,680	637,150	704,130
3300 – Community Services . . . . .	76,036	77,350	82,050	67,050
<b>TOTAL 3000 – Other Support Svcs –Non-Instruct . . . . .</b>	<b>\$754,655</b>	<b>\$644,030</b>	<b>\$719,200</b>	<b>\$771,180</b>
<b>4000 – Site Improvement</b>				
4200 – Building Improvement . . . . .	50,000	500,000	1,128,800	7500
4300 – Architecture and Engineering Services . . . . .	0	0	0	30,000
4600 – Existing Building Improvement Services. . . . .	129,600	9,000	12,000	0
<b>TOTAL 4000 – Site Improvement . . . . .</b>	<b>\$179,600</b>	<b>\$509,000</b>	<b>\$1,140,800</b>	<b>\$37,500</b>
<b>5000 – Debt Service</b>				
5100 – Authority Obligations/Professional Services . . . . .	14,700	13,000	16,000	5,000
5110 – Debt Services . . . . .	1,235,461	1,214,941	1,247,872	1,284,787
5130 – Prior Years Real Estate Tax Refund . . . . .	100,000	100,000	150,000	90,000
5230 – Capita; Projects Fund Transfer . . . . .	0	0	0	874,662
5251 – Food Service Transfers . . . . .	25,000	42,000	70,000	40,000
5280 – Activity Fund Transfers . . . . .	6,700	6,700	6,700	6,700
<b>5900 – Budget Reserve . . . . .</b>	<b>138,662</b>	<b>183,033</b>	<b>120,000</b>	<b>120,000</b>
<b>TOTAL 5000 – Debt Service . . . . .</b>	<b>\$1,520,523</b>	<b>\$1,559,674</b>	<b>\$1,610,572</b>	<b>\$2,421,149</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET . . . . .</b>	<b>\$19,951,586</b>	<b>\$20,845,806</b>	<b>\$22,467,711</b>	<b>\$23,189,219</b>

# 2017 SENIOR CLASS AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND HONORS



Erin Joyce

## LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Dunlay Family Scholarship ..... Mackenzie Lauff
- Fred and Sarah A. Favo Scholarship ..... Lena Ison
- Regis Hughes Memorial Scholarship.....Madison Longmore
- Kiwanian Club of Verona-Rosedale. .... Levi Belch and Sophia DeBacco
- MORA Scholarship..... Nico Sero
- Oakmont Chamber of Commerce Scholarship .....Michael Medved
- Oakmont Community Foundation Scholarship ..... Sophia DeBacco
- Oakmont Garden Club Scholarship ..... Kerrigan Sebastian
- Oakmont Historical Scholarship ..... Mackenzie Lauff  
In Honor of Nelva Kruger-Peffer
- Tammy Preece Memorial Award .....Naimah Coleman
- Riverside Women’s Association Scholarship ..... Sophia DeBacco,  
Erin Joyce and Victoria Sebastian
- Riverview Athletic/Administration Award ..... Nico Sero  
and Isabella Scassera
- Riverview Athletic Association/David Anderson Sports Award  
Tyler Aber and Michael Medved
- Riverview Dance Club Award ..... Taylor Binz, Naimah Coleman,  
Sophia DeBacco, Cassandra DeTar, Gabriella DiPietro,  
Alexandra Gourley, Isabella Scassera and Kerrigan Sebastian
- Riverview Education Association Scholarship ..... Julia Burton,  
Naimah Coleman, Sophia DeBacco, Charlotte Dolan, Lavinia Falck,  
Erin Joyce, Madison Rogalsky, Kerrigan Sebastian, Nico Sero  
and Erin Smith
- Riverview Education Association Scholarship..... Danielle Hanlon  
Charles Erdeljac Award for Literature, Education & Humanitarianism
- Riverview Education Association Scholarship  
In Memory of Ruth Alcorn .....Levi Belch and Kevin McCracken
- Riverview Football Alumni Association Scholarship ..... Jake Hanus
- Jan and Robert H. Shoop, Jr. Scholarship..... Erin Joyce
- Sons of Italy Lodge 1484 Scholarship ..... Sophia DeBacco
- Donald F. Suhevich Memorial Scholarship
- Verona Volunteer Fire Department .....Colin McCorkle
- Verona Chamber of Commerce Scholarship  
In Honor of Charles McKinley .....Levi Belch, Julia Burton  
and Naimah Coleman
- John and Vasiliki Viores Memorial Award ..... Brian Rossi
- Bob Williams Memorial Scholarship, Rotary District 7300  
Mackenzie Lauff
- The Woman’s Club of Oakmont Scholarship  
Gabriella DiPietro and Benjamin Rushin
- Curtis J. Young Memorial Award .....Taylor Binz

## COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS

- Chatham University Merit Scholarship. ....
- Chatham University Scholarship.....
- Clarion University Scholarship.....
- Duquesne University Academic Scholarship
- Duquesne University Grant .....
- Duquesne University Merit Scholarship ...
- John Carroll University Honor Scholarship.
- John Carroll University Magis Scholarship .
- Kent State University Honors Scholarship.
- Kent State University Music Award .....
- Kent State University Presidential  
Scholarship..... Cass
- Kent State University Trustee Award. . Cass
- Kent State University Award ..... Cass
- La Salle University Founders Scholarship .
- La Salle University Grant .....
- Mercyhurst University Merit Scholarship ..
- Michigan State University Merit Scholarship
- Rhode Island University Merit Scholarship
- Robert Morris University Merit Scholarship
- Slippery Rock University Merit Scholarship
- Temple University Founders Scholarship ..
- Temple University Merit Scholarship .....
- University of Dayton Dean’s Scholarship ..
- University of Dayton Presidential Merit Sch
- University of Mount Union Academic Scho
- University of Mount Union Music/Theatre  
Scholarshi
- University of Mount Union Heritage Award
- University of Pittsburgh Chancellor’s Schol
- University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown Achieve
- University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown Real W  
Engineering
- University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown Univers
- Virginia Tech Merit Scholarship.....
- Wells College Presidential Scholarship ...
- Westminster College Jerb Miller Scholarship

(Award information used is that known at the time of publication)

**SALUTATORIAN**



**Gabriella DiPietro**

**RIVERVIEW SPECIAL HONORS**

- American Legion Award (Eighth Grade)..... Tyler Aber and Sophia DeBacco
- Challenge Program Awards .....Levi Belch, Sophia DeBacco, Charlotte Dolan, Harper Ercole and David Smith
- Curtis Young Memorial Award ..... Taylor Binz
- John Philip Sousa Award ..... Sophia DeBacco
- Louis Armstrong Jazz Award .....Lena Ison
- Murphy's Music Award .....Gabriella DiPietro
- Northern Athletic Directors Tri-Athlete Award Nominees .....Tyler Aber and Erin Joyce
- National School Orchestra Award ..... Lena Ison
- Patrick Gilmore Award ..... Erin Smith
- Principal's Leadership Award ... Michael Medved and Nellie Skemp
- Rachel Carson Book Award-Chatham University... Sophia DeBacco
- Rensselaer Medal of Honor .....Erin Joyce
- Skidmore College Book Award ..... Julia Burton
- SkillsUSA Award ..... David Smith
- United States Marine Corps Awards
  - Distinguished Athlete Award .... Mackenzie Lauff and Nico Sero
  - Scholastic Excellence Award .....Erin Smith
  - Semper Fidelis Award for Musical Excellence .....Lavinia Falck
- University of Rochester Awards
  - Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award .....Charlotte Dolan
  - Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony Award for Humanities and Social Studies ..... Lena Ison
  - Kodak Young Leadership Award .....Danielle Hanlon
  - Xerox Award for Innovation and Information Technology ..... Benjamin Rushin
  - Williams College Book Award .....Erin Joyce
  - WPIAL Scholar-Athlete Nominee ..... Erin Joyce

**SHIPS AND AWARDS**

- ..... Michaela Hopkins
- .....Michaela Hopkins
- ..... Mackenzie Lauff
- p..... Gabriella DiPietro
- ..... Isabella Scassera
- ..... Isabella Scassera
- ..... Sophia DeBacco
- ..... Sophia DeBacco
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- .....Madison Rogalsky
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- .....Amelia Miquez
- p..... Rose Spinola
- ..... Alexandra Gourley
- .....Jan Kobal
- ..... Brandon Davis
- ..... Emma Patterson
- ..... Danielle Hanlon
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- .....Erin Smith
- ..... Dana Grover
- ip..... Jake Anderson

**RIVERVIEW HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 2017 GRADUATE DATA**

Community College	12	17%
Private 2-year College/University	0	0%
State University	8	11%
State Related Commonwealth University	12	17%
Private 4-year College/University	6	8%
Post-Secondary School (degree)	0	0%
2-year College (non-degree)	7	10%
4-year College (outside Pennsylvania)	0	0%
4-year College/University (outside Pennsylvania)	13	18%
Military	2	3%
Entered Work Force	2	3%
Current 2017 Summer School Students	2	3%
Other	7	10%
<b>Total</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>100%</b>

- Post Secondary Education Summary**
- 82% of graduating class continuing education beyond high school.
  - 55% of graduating class attending 4-year college/university.
  - 27% of graduating class attending 2-year community college, technical or trade school.



## Emergency and Inclement Weather Information

Our Information System includes a Notification Service that enables us to send a telephone message to student homes providing important information about school events or emergencies. We use this system to notify parents of school delays or cancellations due to inclement weather. In the event of an emergency at school, parents can have peace of mind knowing that they will be informed, as appropriate, by phone.

Riverview has also made arrangements with local radio and television stations to notify our students on those days when school will be closed due to weather conditions.

The successful delivery of information is dependent upon accurate contact information for each student, so please make certain that the building secretary has your most current phone numbers. If this information changes during the year, please let us know immediately. In an emergency, it is important to keep the telephone lines open. Parents are requested NOT to call the schools and should refer to the School Emergency Guide and the district website for more information.

## New to the District?

Welcome! Thank you for choosing Riverview. We are honored to meet the educational needs of your child. If you are new to the District, please contact the secretary at the school where your child will attend for assistance with registration.

You may also visit our website at [www.rsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.rsd.k12.pa.us) to obtain information and important enrollment documents.

### Registration Requirements Include:

Photo ID    Birth Certificate and Immunization Records  
Proof of Residency:

Own your Home - Mortgage/Deed with 3 utility bills (or bill of sale)

Rent your Home - Lease Agreement with 3 utility bills (current address)

### GOLD CARDS ISSUED TO SENIOR CITIZENS

Riverview reminds senior citizens that complimentary "Gold Card Activities Passes" are available which entitle the holder to free admission to most school sponsored events. To qualify for a pass, residents must be 65 years of age or older, or be retired due to disabilities.

Passes are available at: Riverview School District Administrative Office, 701 Tenth Street, Oakmont, PA 15139.

Join us as we cheer on the Raiders during an athletic competition, enjoy some excellent music at one of our concerts, or relax while observing student artwork. We are proud of our students' talents and want to share them with you!

### Suicide Awareness, Prevention And Response

The Board is committed to protecting the health, safety and welfare of its students and school community. Parents are encouraged to review Board Policy 819, located on the District website.

### RECORDS MANAGEMENT POLICY

The Riverview Board of School Directors passed Policy No. 800 Records Management on June 18, 2012. The policy, in its entirety, is listed on the Riverview School District website.

### DISTRICT WEBSITE [www.rsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.rsd.k12.pa.us)

We continue to develop our school website. We encourage people to visit the website often and to use it as a communication tool.

### What's New at Riverview

If you would like to receive updates regarding things happening at our schools throughout the year, please email your contact information to [whatsnewatriverview@rsd.k12.pa.us](mailto:whatsnewatriverview@rsd.k12.pa.us).

### ON FACEBOOK?

So are we!!! Check us out at

<https://m.facebook.com/whatsnewatriverview/>

## Wellness Committees Need YOU!

The Riverview School District recognizes that student wellness and proper nutrition are related to students' physical well-being, growth and development. The district is committed to providing a school environment that promotes student wellness, proper nutrition, and regular physical activity as part of the education of the total student. We are proud that each of our schools has an established Wellness Committee. We need your ideas and suggestions in maintaining healthy school environments in each of our schools. If you interested in sharing ideas or being part of the Wellness Committee, please contact the principal in your child's school.



## Student Accident Insurance

During the 2017-2018 school term Student Accident Insurance will be handled by Dinnin and Parkins Insurance Agency (412-828-5122) through US Fire Insurance. Two individual school-approved plans are available to assist with fees associated with doctor, hospital and dental expenses incurred after an accident.

**Plan 1:** Insurance for full 24-hour a day protection—not limited to school connected accidents, but also at home or away—a continuous plan from the day of premium to the opening day of the following year. Excludes all interscholastic sports. (\$90.00 per year).

**Plan 2:** Insurance for the hours and on the days when school is in session—also included is participation in or attendance at all school sponsored activities. Excludes all interscholastic sports. (\$22.50 per year).

**Enrollment for student accident insurance can be found on the Riverview website under the Resources tab in the right column under Quick Links.**

## CHIP

The CHIP program reaches those families who are without health insurance because their income is too high for Medical Assistance or they do not have private insurance. **Many families are not aware of their potential eligibility for enrollment in CHIP. In addition to this state program, Highmark Blue Cross Blue Shield also offers Special Care, an income-based program for adults and children. People who do not qualify for income-based programs may benefit from an individual plan. More information about Highmark individual health insurance programs is available at [www.highmarkbcbs.com](http://www.highmarkbcbs.com). and also at Central Office.**

## Act 10 of 1991

Act 10 of 1991 requires superintendents to provide armed forces recruiters the same access to lists of senior students as they make available to institutions of higher education and trade schools. Information may include the prospective senior student's name, home address and telephone number. **Students not wishing to have their name included on this list should send a written request to the High School Guidance Department by September 15, 2017.** Directory information can be released by the school district. Information such as student's name, home address, telephone number, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in activities/sports, height, weight, attendance, honors and like information may be released to the US Armed Services Recruitment. If you wish to restrict releases of your child's directory information to any agency, including the Armed Services, submit your request in writing to the High School Guidance Department by **September 15, 2017.**

## Discrimination Policy

Title IX prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs or activities by recipients of federal financial assistance. Title IX regulations require recipients to designate a Title IX coordinator, adopt and disseminate a nondiscrimination policy, and put grievance procedures in place to address complaints of discrimination on the basis of sex in educational programs and activities. Questions related to Title IX should be directed to **Dr. Christina Monroe 412 828-1800 x4070.**

## Breakfast & Lunch Prices

Elem. Breakfast - \$1.25 Sec. Breakfast - \$1.50

Elem. Lunch - \$2.25 Sec. Lunch - \$2.50

Any questions, call the Food Services Dept. at 412-828-1800 ext. 1012.

## Important Information

Riverview School District real estate property tax notices were mailed to Verona and Oakmont property owners in July 2017. Property owners are encouraged to pay the tax by the end of August to take advantage of the 2% discount. The face or the total amount of the tax is due by the end of October 2017. These payments are due by August 31, October 31 and December 31, 2017. A 10% charge will be added to all late payments. For approved Homestead properties tax installment payments are an option.

Please remember that it is the responsibility of the property owner to pay school taxes on time. **If you have not received a tax bill or if you have paid off your mortgage in the previous year please contact the tax collector as soon as possible.**

Note that all Riverview real estate taxes are collected by PA Municipal Service. Thank you for supporting our local schools.

### TAX COLLECTORS

Verona/Oakmont  
PA Municipal Service  
336 Delaware Avenue,  
Oakmont, PA 15139  
412-828-5586



**NOTE: Information regarding the Family Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA and Student Privacy) is available at the Administrative Office 701 Tenth Street, Oakmont, PA 15139.**

# Annual Public Notice of Special Education Services and Programs, Services for Gifted Students and Services for Protected Handicapped Students

(Revised July 2014)

## Notice to Parents

According to state and federal special education regulations, annual public notice to parents of children who reside within a school district is required regarding child find responsibilities. School districts are required to conduct child find activities for children who may be eligible for services via Chapter 14/IDEA. For additional information related to Chapter 14/IDEA, the parent may refer to Chapter 14/IDEA or the website <http://www.pattan.net/>. School districts are also required to conduct child find activities for children who may be eligible for services via Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. For additional information related to Section 504/Chapter 15 services, the parent may refer to Section 504, Chapter 15, and the Basic Education Circular entitled implementation of Chapter 15. Also, school districts are required to conduct child find activities for children who may be eligible for gifted services via 22 PA Code Chapter 16. For additional information regarding gifted services, the parent may refer to 22 PA Code Chapter 16. If a student is both gifted and eligible for Special Education, the procedures in IDEA and Chapter 14 shall take precedence.

This notice shall inform parents throughout the Riverview School District of the child identification activities and of the procedures followed to ensure confidentiality of information pertaining to students with disabilities or eligible young children. In addition to this public notice additional information is published on the district web site. Children ages three through twenty one can be eligible for special education programs and services. If parents believe that their child may be eligible for special education, the parent should contact the principal of the local school (Verner Elementary 412-828-1800 x3010; Tenth Street Elementary 412-828-1800 x2010; or Riverview Junior/Senior High School 412-828-1800 x1010) or the Director of Special Education at the District Central Office 412-828-1800 x4010.

Children age three through the age of admission to first grade are also eligible if they have developmental delays and, as a result, need Special Education and related services. If children are less than the age of beginners and at least 3 years of age, they are considered to have a developmental delay when difficulties exist in the areas of cognitive, communicative, physical, social/emotional and self-help development. If you have questions regarding difficulties your child may be experiencing please contact the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, Project DART, 475 E. Waterfront Drive, Homestead, PA 15120, 412-394-5739.

## Evaluation Process

Identification activities are performed to find a child who is suspected as having a disability that would interfere with his or her learning unless special education programs and services are made available. These activities are sometimes called screening activities. The activities include: Review of group data, conducting hearing and vision screening, assessment of student's academic functioning, observation of the student displaying difficulty in behavior and determining the student's response to attempted remediation. Input from parents is also an information source for identification. These activities take place at the child's school throughout the school year. Parents of school age children may request an evaluation by contacting: Dr. Christina Monroe, Director of Special Education, Riverview Administration Office, 701 Tenth Street, Oakmont, Pa. 15139 or at 412-828-1800 extension 4010. Parents of preschool age children, age three through five, may request an evaluation in writing by addressing a letter to the Allegheny Intermediate Unit, Project DART, 475 E. Waterfront Drive, Homestead, PA. 15120.

## Consent

School entities cannot proceed with an evaluation or re-evaluation, or with the initial provision of special education and related services, without the written consent of the parents. For additional information related to consent, please refer to the Procedural Safeguards Notice which can be found at the PaTTAN website, [www.Pattan.net](http://www.Pattan.net) or your local school. Once written parental consent is obtained, the district will proceed with the evaluation process.

## Program Development

Once the evaluation process is completed, a team of qualified professionals and parents determine whether the child is eligible. If the child is eligible, the individualized education program team meets, develops the program, and determines the educational placement. Once the IEP team develops the program and determines the educational placement, school district staff, intermediate unit staff, or charter school staff will issue a notice of recommended educational placement/prior written notice. Your written consent is required before initial services can be provided. The parent has the right to revoke consent after initial placement.

Students identified as eligible for special education are entitled to a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE) available at no cost to parents. Services designed to meet the needs of eligible students include the annual development of an Individualized Education Program (IEP), a triennial re-evaluation, and special education services in or outside of the regular education classroom. In addition, some students will need services outside of a regular school. The decision about the type of services needed and the location is made by the IEP team, based on the student's identified needs, abilities, and chronological age. Some students will need related services such as transportation, physical therapy, occupational therapy, or speech and language services to benefit from the educational program. Before a student can begin to receive special education services, parents will be asked to sign a Notice of Recommended Educational Placement (NOREP). If parents agree with the services offered, their signature and agreement are recorded on this document. If parents disagree, they may seek to resolve differences by requesting a prehearing conference, mediation, and/or a due process hearing. Further information can be obtained by calling Dr. Christina Monroe at 412-828-1800 or by visiting <http://parent.pattan.net/>.

### **Services for Students in Nonpublic Schools**

Public school education may be accessible to resident students attending nonpublic schools on a dual enrollment basis in a special education program operated in a public school. A multidisciplinary evaluation which determines the child's eligibility for services must be conducted and, if eligible, an individualized education program (IEP) plan is developed. Parents of nonpublic school students who suspect that their child is disabled and in need of special education may request a multidisciplinary evaluation of their child through a written request to the building principal or director of special education.

### **Services for Protected Handicapped Students**

The Riverview School District will provide to each protected handicapped student without discrimination or cost to the student or family those aids, services, or accommodations which are needed to provide equal opportunity to participate in and obtain benefits of school programs and extracurricular activities to the extent appropriate to the student's abilities. To qualify as a protected handicapped student, the child must be of school age with a physical or mental handicap which substantially limits or prohibits participation in or access to an aspect of the school program. Services for protected handicapped students are distinct from those applicable to disabled students enrolled in special education programs. Protected handicapped students fall under Pennsylvania's Chapter 15, also known as Section 504 of the 1973 Rehabilitation Act. In contrast, students with disabilities who qualify for special education are covered by regulations contained in Pennsylvania's Chapter 14. While both Chapter 14 and 15 provide services to students, there are technical differences between the two. Additional information about evaluation procedures and provision of services to protected handicapped services is available by contacting the building principal.

### **Confidentiality of Information**

Riverview School District maintains records concerning all children enrolled in the school, including students with disabilities. All records are maintained in the strictest confidentiality. Your consent, or consent of an eligible child who has reached the age of majority under State law, must be obtained before personally identifiable information is released, except as permitted under the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA-C.F.R., Part 99), most recently amended December 2011. The age of majority in Pennsylvania is 21. Each participating agency must protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information at collection, storage, disclosure, and destruction stages. One official at each participating agency must assume responsibility for ensuring the confidentiality of any personally identifiable information. Each participating agency must maintain, for public inspection, a current listing of the names and positions of those employees within the agency who have access to personally identifiable information.

For additional information related to student records, the parent can refer to the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA): "FERPA General Guidance for Parents" on the Family Policy Compliance Office Web site: <http://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpco/ferpa/parents.html>. If you have questions or wish to report a potential FERPA violation, contact FPCO at: 1-800-USA-LEARN (1-800-872-5327). In order to access the final regulations on-line please visit: [www.federalregister.gov](http://www.federalregister.gov).

This notice is only a summary of the Special Education services, evaluation and screening activities, and rights and protections pertaining to children with disabilities, children thought to be disabled, and their parents. For more information or to request evaluation or screening of a public or private school child, contact Mrs. Judene Sykes in the Special Education Office, 701 Tenth Street, Oakmont, Pa. 15139 or 412-828-1800 extension 4010 or the Special Education page on the district website: [www.rsd.k12.pa.us](http://www.rsd.k12.pa.us).

The school entity or charter school will not discriminate in employment, educational programs, or activities based on race, color, national origin, age, sex, handicap, creed, marital status or because a person is a disabled veteran or a veteran of the Vietnam era. No preschool, elementary or secondary school pupil enrolled in a school district, Intermediate Unit, or charter school program shall be denied equal opportunity to participate in age and program appropriate instruction or activities due to race, color, handicap, creed, national origin, marital status or financial hardship.

# 2017-2018 School Calendar

**August 16 & 17**

PD Days 1 & 2

**August 18**

Clerical Day 1

**August 21**

First Students' Day

**September 4**

Labor Day (no school)

**October 9**

Columbus Day (no school)

**October 27**

Clerical Day 2 (no school)

**November 6**

Act 80/Parent Conferences K-12  
(no school)

**November 7**

PD Day 3 (no school)

**November 22**

First Day of Thanksgiving Break  
(no school)

**November 27**

Last Day of Thanksgiving Break  
(no school)

**December 25**

First Day of Holiday Break  
(no school)

**January 1**

Last Day of Holiday Break  
(no school)

**January 12**

Give Back Day Reflections

**January 15**

Clerical Day 3 (no school)

**January 16**

PD Day 4 (no school)

**February 19**

Presidents' Day (no school)

**February 20**

PD Day 5 (no school)

**March 28**

Clerical Day 4 (no school)

**March 29**

First Day of Spring Break  
(no school)

**April 2**

Last Day of Spring Break  
(no school)

**May 4**

K-12 Give Back Activity Day

**May 28**

Memorial Day (no school)

**June 1**

Last Day for Students

**June 4**

Clerical Day 5

**June 5**

IMPACT Day/PD Day 6

## REPORT CARDS:

Grades due Oct. 30 Report Cards issued Oct. 31

Grades due Jan. 16 Report Cards issued Jan. 17

Grades due Apr. 3 Report Cards issued Apr. 4

Grades due June 5 Report Cards issued June 7

## MAKE-UP SNOW DAYS:

November 22, March 29,

April 2

## TEST DATES:

PSSA Eng. Lang. Arts grades 3-8: Apr. 9-13

PSSA Math grades 3-8: Apr. 16-20

PSSA Science grades 4 and 8: Apr. 23-27

Keystones—Algebra, Biology, Literature

December 4-15, January 8-22, May 14-25

## Administrators & School Telephone Numbers

### CENTRAL OFFICE

#### *Superintendent*

Dr. Margaret DiNinno

(412) 828-1800 ext. 4050

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#### *Director of Special Education/ Customized Services*

Dr. Christina Monroe

(412) 828-1800 ext. 4070

#### *Technology Coordinator*

Mr. Robert Rizzo

(412) 828-1800 ext. 4400

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(Grades 7-12)

*Principal*, Mr. Eric Hewitt

(412) 828-1800 ext. 1022

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(412) 828-1800 ext. 1021

### TENTH STREET ELEMENTARY

(Grades K-6)

*Principal*, Mr. David Zolkowski

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### VERNER ELEMENTARY

(Grades K-6)

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#### *ESL Services Coordinator*

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Mrs. Mary Ann Plance

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