

# SERIOUS SUCCESS

RIVERVIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## **Serious Success – Riverview Homecoming Festivities! Community Celebration of Our Neighborhood Schools**

**Oakmont and Verona, Pennsylvania:** The communities of Oakmont and Verona, as well as staff and students from Verner and Tenth Street Elementary Schools, along with Riverview Junior-Senior High School, celebrated an amazing week of school spirit and community pride for this year's homecoming celebration! This was definitely Riverview's most successful homecoming event in recent years.

Riverview High School's Student Council planned and organized the events, which included a Spirit Week that encompassed all three schools and both communities. The club's sponsor, Michelle Walsh, said, "This year's homecoming events were the most well attended and best examples of school spirit that I have seen during my tenure as the Student Council Sponsor. Both students and community members have told me what an amazing homecoming event the Student Council officers and members organized this year."

The district, under the guidance of Patsy Kvortek and Michelle Walsh, planned a combined elementary school pep assembly unifying the communities of Oakmont and Verona. The assembly was emceed by junior high school teacher Ryan O'Malley and included high school cheerleaders, band members, fall sport captains, and the homecoming court and escorts. The student leaders emphasized the importance of school pride and student involvement in our neighbor schools. Each elementary student received a complimentary Raider Pride shirt at the end of the assembly. Students were invited to attend the boys' and girls' soccer games on Thursday night and the high school varsity football game on Friday night "Under the Lights" at the Riverside Park. Elementary students who wore their Raider Pride shirt were given free admission to all of the homecoming games. There was a sea of Riverview Black and Gold!

Kudos to the Verona and Oakmont Police and Fire Departments for their support and help with the homecoming parade that took place Friday evening. The Riverview Community, with the support of the Boroughs of Verona and Oakmont, and the Riverview School Board rallied together by lining the streets of Verona and Oakmont as the homecoming court, band, cheerleaders, and various community groups marched down the main streets. After the crowning of this year's queen, Kerrigan Sebastian, the Riverview Football Team ended the game with a mighty Raider win!

This year's homecoming festivities ended on a high note with a trip back in time to a "Fabulous Fifties" themed Homecoming dance on Saturday night at the high school.

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