



Dear Riverview Parents,

We hope you had a relaxing and enjoyable break! We have a few more weeks until another significant break, so let's finished December strong! We wanted to reach out on a few important items prior to the students returning to school tomorrow:

- **Vaccination (Flu and Covid) Clinic Partnership with Plum** - The infection counts in the County are spiking significantly and just this week many of us have had loved ones either pass away or get seriously ill (hospitalizations, etc.) from the virus. The Health Department and medical community are watching this new variant (Omicron) very carefully and continue to advocate for vaccinations and masks to be worn indoors. Please know that the primary reason we continue to push vaccinations is because we genuinely care about you, your family, and your children. None of us want anyone we care about (you) to experience serious illness because of the virus. The secondary reason, as previously discussed, is because the vaccination helps us to avoid contact tracing protocols and keep students in school where they belong. The most susceptible to the virus are the unvaccinated. If you haven't done so, the Health Department is asking that all of us schedule the booster shot and the Flu shot as well. Both are quick and easy, and most of us have not experienced any side effects whatsoever. We will continue to do our best to make it easier for those to become vaccinated if they so choose. In line with that, we are once again partnering with the Plum School District for an additional vaccination clinic. This clinic is for anyone five (5) years of age or older and is being held from 6-9pm in the Plum Senior High School cafeteria on Tuesday, November 30th and Tuesday, December 21st. The details and sign up information are included in the link below. Also included below is the link to schedule vaccines and booster shots at alternate locations (if that is easier for your family).
 - [11.30 and 12.21 Flu and Covid Vaccination Clinic Information](https://www.vaccines.gov/)
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- **Inclement Weather Update** - Winter weather is upon us. For those that don't know, we are in communication all night with the bus company, the local police departments, and surrounding school personnel to properly assess conditions

and make a safe decision for our families. These decisions are collaborative in nature and we DO NOT take them lightly. Even though we are a walking District K-6, many of our parents drive their children to school daily. For walkers, sidewalks and road conditions need to be safe for passing. We will always err on the side of caution, but do try our best to keep students in school if we can. That being said, weather is unpredictable, so please be patient, try to support and trust our decision-making, and allow us to make the decisions we feel are the best. Please note, for days that require a full closure, we will be utilizing virtual instruction that will run on a **two-hour delay** schedule so that teachers and students can prepare and transition accordingly. More details will come from your building principal and teachers when these events become necessary.

- **Student Accolade(s)** - Please check the [District Facebook page](#) often, as we do our best to highlight all of the great things that we do. If you have looked recently, you will see that our 2020 valedictorian, Gillian Gaynor, was accepted into the prestigious tutorial program at the University of Oxford in England next year! As I was quoted in the article, Gillian not only represents the very best of Riverview, but is proof of what I have been saying for years, and that is this: Riverview offers a *world-class education*; one that allows our students to not only compete, but *out-compete* with those from across our Commonwealth and beyond (and in Gillian's case, worldwide). Gillian's acceptance into one of the most elite programs in the world is not only an attestation to *her* drive and ability, but is an accomplishment that we can all celebrate, as our schools and communities consistently produce extraordinary young people. The link to the article is below and can also be found on our District website:

[**Riverview 202 Valedictorian Awarded Prestigious Oxford Scholarship**](#)

That's it for this week. Please enjoy the remainder of the day today. We will see all students in the classroom at our regularly scheduled time tomorrow morning. Thank you for your continued support of the District, and please continue to stay happy, peaceful, and safe.

Go Raiders!

Sincerely,

The Riverview Administration