



MARCH 2022

RICHMOND MIDDLE

BLUE DEVILS

From the Principal...

Standardize testing is right around the corner. When we return from Spring Break we will begin our accountability testing. We use the test results to address curricular needs as well as analyzing the data to address gaps in our students learning progression.

Please have a conversation with your child about taking the test seriously and doing the best they can. The more accurate results we get from the testing allows us to improve what we do each day to provide the best educational experience for our students.

The testing schedule was emailed out to parents and will be posted on our webpage. Please have your child get a good nights sleep before testing.

Mr. Keith Bartels.

From the Dean of Students...

From the Desk of Mr. Birkmeier

Hello Parents. As you may or may not be aware, I have serving as the Interim Director of Student Support Services as the district has been looking for our new director. I miss my time in the Middle School, but have been bouncing back and forth to help out as needed. March has been a great month. It is one of my favorite times of the year since March is reading month. I hope you student enjoyed our March is reading theme and the activities that the middle school has had. Remember to encourage your student to read all year! Reading is important because it develops the mind. The mind is a muscle. It needs exercise!



Counseling Corner

March Counselor section:

March has been an exciting month for our students as they've had the opportunity to choose classes for next year! Ms. Lepak came to visit our 8th grade students to help them to submit their course requests for 9th grade and the High school hosted the Freshman orientation night for our 8th grade students. We also had course requests sheets out for our current 5th, 6th and 7th grade students to submit their requests for next year. These sheets were due March 11th and we use that information to make decisions about which classes will be offered next year. The next several scheduling steps happen behind the scenes as we decide which classes will run and create our building schedule for next year. Once we have created the building schedule, then we create the individual student schedules. Those schedules are made available to our students at the end of the summer. Students that want to change their schedule can request changes through the first week of school.

April brings the start of our testing season. Our school testing schedule is available on our PowerSchool Daily Bulletin and was also sent out by Mr. Bartels. We built our schedule to spread out the testing, so our students are taking one test at a time. April testing includes M-STEP for all grades and the PSAT for the 8th grade. Our spring NWEA testing will take place in May.



Club News

Yearbook:

Yearbook order link: <https://orders.kaiserstudio.com/default.aspx>

Web:

March 17th we attempted to make no sew blankets and dog toys for the Humane Society. More time is needed to complete the items. WEB Leaders did spend an extra recess outside with their fourth grade buddies continuing to build relationships.

Student Council:

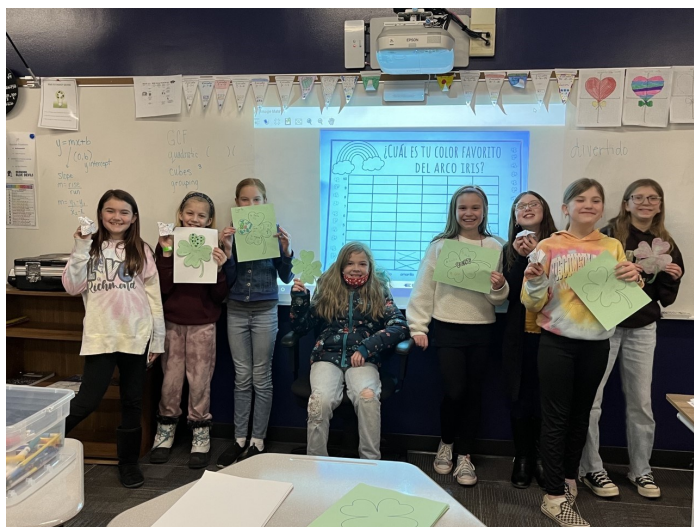
Student Council went virtual in March. Our monthly meeting was an online survey to gather feedback of our past year. It was great to gather the input from our wonderful Student Council Representatives.

Green Team:

Green Team continues to recycle paper daily. Students are working hard to be more green! Students created a school-wide broadcast commercial that was shown in their science classes.

Spanish Club:

Spanish Club had fun translating the colors of the rainbow into Spanish. They practiced asking each other their favorite color. The color with the most votes was morado (purple.) We also learned some St Patricio vocabulary and listed what we were thankful for in Spanish. ¡Suerte! As always we had fun listening to music while we worked on our crafts.





Club News

Builders Club:

RMS Builder's Club helped stuff hundreds of eggs for the Richmond Recreation Department's annual Easter Egg Scramble. The scramble will take place on Saturday, April at Beebe Street Park.



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NJHS:

The NJHS made home-made baked goods to sell at spring conferences for the Rainbow Connection. They ended up making \$332!



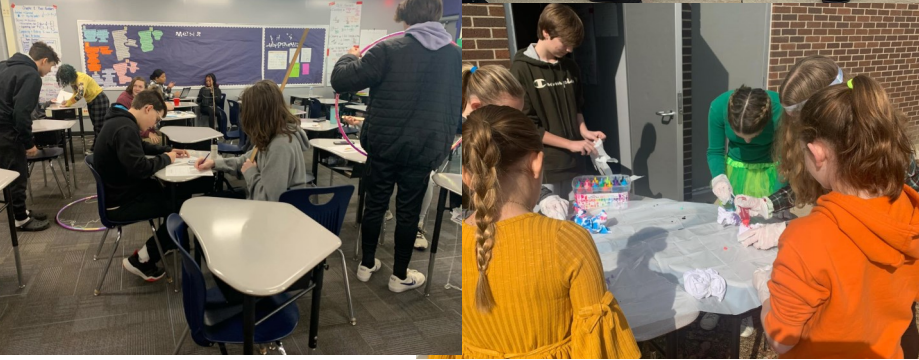


Classroom Activities



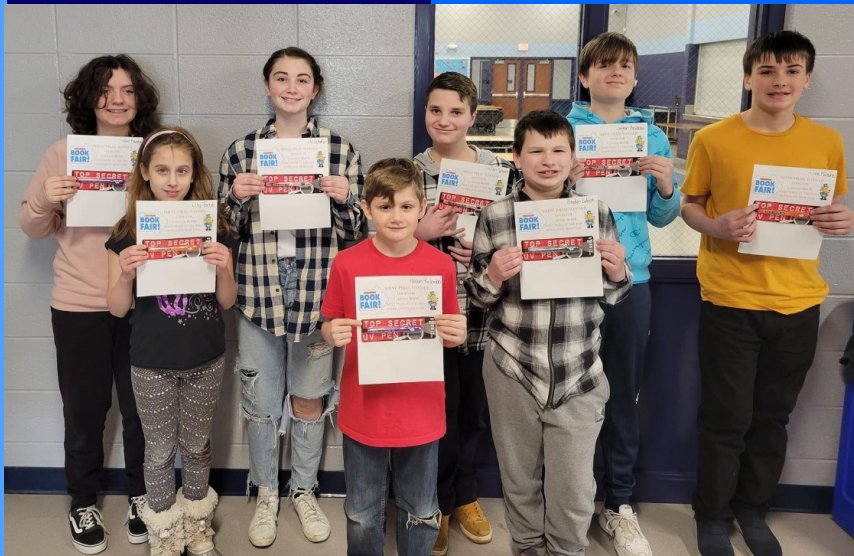


Classroom Activities





SHINE Winners





Student of the Month



4th Grade:

Beckett Cramton

Lily Dietrich

Cole Halaas

Madden Pierce

Ava Vanslederight

5th Grade:

Bradyn Labish

Grant Matyunas

Audrey Moore

Bella Papastergion

6th Grade:

Chloe Lotterman

Brock Maxinoski

7th Grade:

Mason Brickel

Katelin DeVoogd

8th Grade:

Austin Sanabria

Grace Trombley



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