

Ranch View Middle School

2019 - 2020

Welcome to the PACK

1731 Wildcat Reserve Parkway
Highlands Ranch, CO 80129
Main Office: 303-387-2300
Fax Number: 303-387-2301
Weather Hotline: 303-387-7669

RVMS website

<http://rvms.dcsdk12.org>

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Sandra Barrett – 7th Grade Assistant Principal

Shelley Hyland – 8th Grade Assistant Principal, Athletic Director

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Jill Shulsinger-Wall – Arctic Counselor

Megan Du Vall - Grey Counselor

School Hours: 7:25 a.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Delayed Start: 9:00 a.m.

Office Hours: 7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

*“The strength of the pack is the wolf
And the strength of the wolf is the pack.”*

Rudyard Kipling

Property of: _____

Address: _____

In case of emergency, please notify:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Important Contact Numbers

Main Office	303-387-2300
Attendance Line	303-387-2302
Library	303-387-2400
Security	303-387-2443
Transportation	303-387-6150
Weather Hotline	303-387-7669
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P-A-C-K

What does PACK mean? It means to be **Prepared, Actively engaged, Cooperative, Kind and Safe**. PACK behavior is expected at Ranch View in all situations. Additionally, they are embedded in lessons, at lunch, on the bus, in the hallways, and in all the various activities.

IB Learner Profiles

As a community of globally aware citizens, Ranch View promotes the following IB learner profiles: inquirers, knowledgeable, thinkers, communicators, principled, open minded, caring, risk-takers, balanced and reflective. These traits encourage our students to make positive contributions both on and off campus.

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

ATTENDANCE NUMBER

303-387-2302

Parents must call to excuse an absence, otherwise the absence will be marked unexcused on record.

When calling or emailing to excuse an absence, please give the following information:

1. Student's name and grade, please spell the last name
2. Date and reason for absence
3. Your name and a telephone number where you can be reached

Our school day begins at 7:25 a.m. Class attendance is an integral part of the educational process and students are expected to be in attendance every day school is in session as required by law (C.R.S. 22-33-104) and Board policy. All middle school age students are required to attend public school, with some exceptions as provided by law. According to state law, it is the obligation of every parent, guardian, and legal custodian to ensure that every such child under his/her care and supervision attends school. Poor attendance negatively impacts student achievement. We will handle continuous absences of students on a case by case basis; however, the district does have policies that we will follow that are aligned with state guidelines and the state law regarding school attendance.

Excused Absences are those resulting from: temporary or extended illness; injury; family emergencies; absences excused by the principal through prior requests of parents or guardians; absences occurring as a result of the denial of admission to the schools of the school district; absences which occur when a student is in custody of a court or law enforcement authority; and, any other absence approved by the principal. Excused absences are subject to state school attendance laws.

Unexcused Absences are those absences deemed unacceptable by the principal regardless of the prior approval or knowledge of the parents. A student is considered habitually truant if the student has at least "four or more unexcused absences from school or from class on four or more different days in a one month period or ten or more unexcused absences from school or from class on ten or more different days in a school year".

TARDY POLICY

Students are expected to be in class on time. Students tardy to school will sign in at the main office. Excessive tardies to school may result in disciplinary action.

NOTIFICATION OF ABSENCES TO PARENTS

In the event a student is truant from school or from assigned classes, school personnel shall make a reasonable effort to notify parents, guardians or legal custodians by phone as quickly as possible. If excessive absences interfere with a students' ability to be successful, reasonable effort shall be made to notify the parents, guardian or legal custodian so that remedial action can be taken.

ATTENDANCE CONTRACTS

Some students with unique attendance related problems may be placed on personalized "Attendance Contracts" to meet their individual needs. In these rare instances, those students will be held accountable to their contracts rather than the "General School Attendance Accountability Rules". Students with attendance that does not improve while on a contract will be referred to the Truancy Review Board (TRB) process.

ABSENCES AND AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Students must be in school 1/2 day (4 hours) to attend or participate in activities and/or athletics, unless the event resulting

in the absence is school sanctioned.

PARTIAL DAY and PREARRANGED ABSENCES

The purpose of a prearranged absence is to excuse, ahead of time, any student who may have a medical or other type of appointment during the school day. A pass will be issued by the attendance clerk after a note or phone call from a parent/guardian has been received indicating the specific request. Parents and students are encouraged to take care of prearranged absences first thing in the morning. The student will be issued an excused pass indicating the date and time he/she has permission to leave.

Students must check out at the attendance office before leaving and check in upon his/her return.

A parent/ guardian or authorized emergency contacts are the only persons allowed to sign students "out" of the attendance office unless written permission stating another individual is granted by parent/guardian.

When communicating a partial day absence, please send a note with the student before the school day begins. The note should include:

- a reason for the partial day absence
- the time of requested dismissal from school
- an approximate time of return from appointment or indication that the student will not return
- students leaving school for a partial day absence must sign out through the attendance office, receiving a timed permit to leave the building.

HOMEWORK

We believe homework is an integral part of the learning process. It requires the student to prepare for class in order to make more efficient use of instructional time. Homework is one determining factor in a student's work habit grade.

MAKE-UP WORK

A reasonable length of time for a student to prepare and hand in make-up work due to an absence will be allowed. Normally, one day to make up work for each excused day of absence is a good rule. It is a school expectation that all work is turned in. After two weeks, it is up to the teacher's discretion as to whether or not they will accept it because it may or may not be relevant to the current teaching and learning cycle at that time.

HOMEWORK REQUESTS

Homework may be requested by emailing the teacher. Parents may contact teachers for pre-planned absences so that the child may receive and complete assignments in advance. Please submit the form one week prior to your trip. If requesting work due to illness, please contact your student's counselor on the third consecutive day of absence. Homework can also be checked through the school website.

Please keep in mind that a significant portion of instruction happens in the classroom and cannot be recreated through a textbook. Therefore, some homework assignments will not be appropriate to issue to the student prior to an approved extended absence.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

Schedule changes will be limited and considered individually, based on student registration requests. Requests for team changes will not be honored unless there are extremely unique circumstances.

MEDICATION AT SCHOOL

Seventh and eighth graders may assume responsibility for bringing to school and administering their own prescription medication providing they carry only enough for one day and have the self-administration "Permission to Carry Medication" form on file in the school office. Any parent or guardian who chooses not to sign the "Permission to Carry Medication" form may request that a structured plan be devised for his or her student.

Middle School **does not supply/administer** acetaminophen (Tylenol) or any over-the-counter medication. Students may carry a one day's dose in the original bottle in their backpack.

STUDENT MESSAGES

It is important that instructional time be focused and uninterrupted by voicemails and text messages. Therefore, communication between students and parents needs to happen through the main office. Any messages left for students will be delivered during non-instructional time and during lunch periods. In case of an **emergency**, please contact the main office and we will deliver a message to your student immediately. Our goal is to support communication between you and

your child, but to also honor instructional time (See Cell Phone/Electronic Device Contract).

DELIVERIES

Students are not allowed to have food delivered to school by outside vendors. Deliveries of forgotten items, food, flowers, etc. will only be delivered during **non-instructional time**. Larger items, such as flowers/or balloons will remain in the main office until after school.

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS AND/OR DELAYED OPENINGS DUE TO WEATHER

If a delay or cancellation is to be implemented, families will receive a text message and email via SchoolMessenger no later than 6:00 a.m. and notifications are sent to local media agencies and posted on the district website and social media channels. To opt in for Emergency text notification: Send text to 68453 with the message "YES." To opt in for Standard/School text notification: Send text to 67587 with the message "YES."

In the event instructional days are lost because of snow or other emergency closings, it may be necessary that the school calendar be extended. Note: If necessary, up to three additional days are scheduled in June for storm make-up days. In addition, parents are urged to formulate emergency plans for their student in the event such an emergency should develop.

DELAYED BUS SCHEDULE

The School District has approved a delayed busing schedule for those days when the weather and roads are initially bad and then improve. ***On delayed schedules, secondary schools will begin 90 minutes later than normal.*** Students should arrive at bus stops 90 minutes later than normal pick up time.

CLOSED CAMPUS

Ranch View Middle School is a closed campus school. Students are not permitted to leave the school building or school grounds at any time without the permission of school personnel. Leaving school grounds without permission will result in disciplinary action. If a student misses any part of a class or classes, he/she will be considered truant and may be required to make up the missed time. Students are considered on school grounds after departing the school bus, a private car or walking onto school property.

LOCKERS (P.E. and/or Band)

Ranch View Middle School does not have lockers for general use. Lockers are available for students in P.E. and/or band.

Students who are currently enrolled in P.E. will have lockers assigned to them by the P.E. teachers. Since there are varying sizes of lockers in the locker room, it might be necessary to share the locker space with others. Please note: to ensure maximum use of lockers, periodic locker cleanouts will occur with students receiving ample notification. Students who fail to clean out their lockers will have items cleaned out and placed in lost and found.

Musical instrument storage is within the confines of the band room; students will be able to store and lock their musical instruments. There is no reason for students to carry instruments during the day, unless they choose to do so. They can bring them to the band room at the beginning of the day and lock them up at this time. The music teachers will be available after school for students to get their instrument to take home. Padlocks for music lockers will be sold by the music teachers. Orchestra students, can store their instruments in the orchestra classroom when they first report to school in the morning and can pick them up from there at the end of the school day.

Padlocks for P.E. and/or band are required. You must purchase a lock at the school as we keep the master to all locks.

VISITORS

Per State Law, all visitors to our building **MUST** check into at the security kiosk when entering the building and show proper identification. Our front doors are equipped with a buzzer and camera. Please press the button once and then open the second door to the buzzer. Students are discouraged from having visitors to school during instructional time.

ANIMALS IN SCHOOL

Students are not permitted to bring pets of any kind to school. With the increase in the number of students with moderate to severe allergies to animals, it is imperative that we protect these students from an allergic reaction.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETICS PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The seventh and eighth grade athletic programs emphasize student participation, as this is the Douglas County Middle School philosophy. Students can improve their skills with help, practice, encouragement and competition. Teams develop an attitude that reflects sportsmanship, spirit, cooperation and pride.

RANCH VIEW SANCTIONED ATHLETICS

FALL

8th Grade Football,
7th Grade Flag Football,
Girls Volleyball,
Unified Soccer,
Cross Country

WINTER

Boys Basketball,
Girls Basketball,
Unified Basketball,
Wrestling

SPRING

Boys & Girls & Unified Track

ATHLETIC PARTICIPATION REQUIREMENTS

Students wishing to participate in athletics must have the following on file in the main office before they will be allowed to practice.

1. Obtain a current Physical Form which is good for 365 days or one year from the date on the physical. Permission Forms can be downloaded from the RVMS website.
2. Athletic Registration/ Emergency Information form must be completed by a parent for **each** sport. This information is given to the coaches and taken to each athletic event.
3. There is an athletic registration fee. The fee for each sport is \$85.00 with the exception of 8th grade football which is \$115.00.
4. Students who have not paid fines for lost or damaged books/materials, or lost or damaged athletic equipment/uniforms may not be allowed to practice or participate in athletics or other school activities until fines are paid and equipment is returned.
5. Eligibility is checked weekly. If a student receives a "U" in work habits for the week, he/she will be allowed to practice; however, he/she will have to sit out one game. Students must be in school by 10:30 a.m. to participate in a scheduled event or practice. If student athletes check in to the sick room during the day, they may not be able to practice or compete in athletics that afternoon.

PRACTICES

Practices will take place after school from 2:55 to 4:45 p.m. Monday thru Friday. We request that parents pick up their child by 5:00 and it is the responsibility of students and parents to make arrangements for rides to leave campus no later than that time. Pick up times will vary on game days. Parents are responsible for making arrangements for students to be picked up from all home and away athletic competitions.

ATHLETIC LOCKER SPACE

Your child will be provided a locked storage area for athletic gear storage. Students may use their P.E. lockers.

STUDENT SPECTATORS

After-school athletic contests normally begin at 3:45 p.m. Parents and students are encouraged to attend these events. The following guidelines will be in effect for student spectators. Spectators are not allowed to roam the building. Before the contest begins, student spectators are to remain in the vicinity of the contest area where they may study or converse. All school and District policies and procedures are in effect for spectators at after-school contests. For athletic events, please use the gym hallway entrance on the north side of the building.

GYM USE

Food and drinks (except water) are not allowed in the gym. Shoes that may cause damage to the gym floor are not allowed.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Clubs and activities are offered according to student interest and faculty sponsorship. Meeting times and fees may vary according to the activity.

STUDENTS STAYING AFTER SCHOOL FOR ACTIVITIES

Students staying after school must be attending a school sponsored event or supervised by a staff member. **No students are to be in the building without supervision.**

TRANSPORTATION

Bicycles: Students are allowed to ride their bicycles to school. However, if a student chooses to ride his/her bike to school, the school assumes no liability for any damages or theft that could occur. Students are encouraged to lock the bicycle when parking it at the bicycle rack. You may not lock your bikes to trees, tree anchor sticks or other items on the school grounds.

Scooters, skateboards, etc.: As is the current policy, students may ride scooters and skateboards to school. Students **MUST** leave them in the storage area as you enter the building throughout the school day. We do not allow students to carry scooters or skateboards around the school during the school day. Scootering and skateboarding are **NOT** allowed on school property. Also, scooters and skateboards can be very dangerous. We encourage the use of helmets and extreme safety when coming to and going from school.

School Bus Rules: Students and parents should review the information regarding the school bus rules for DCSD. This can be found in the Student's Rights and Responsibilities Booklet. The booklet will be available during the Express Check-in. All students will be required to sign the Student Code of Conduct, which includes information outlining bus rules and procedures for transportation to and from school and/or field trips. **STUDENTS MUST PRESENT THEIR STUDENT ID TO RIDE THE BUS. STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A Z-PASS TO RIDE THE BUS.**

PERSONALLY OWNED ELECTRONIC DEVICES

Students, not the school, are responsible for their personal property. If students carry valuables, they should keep these items on their person at all times. Personally owned devices should be turned off and in a student's backpack at all times. Technology may be used for instructional purposes at the discretion of the teacher only. Unauthorized use of any portable electronic device may cause school personnel to confiscate the item.

Parents and students will be made aware of more specific policies that will be included in our Cell Phone Contract and Code of Conduct Agreement during the online check-in process.

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Cell Phone/Electronic Device Contract

Student Expectations:

1. I understand that having a cell phone is a privilege that I will not take advantage of.
2. Effective from 7:30am-2:45pm, my communication device is off or in airplane mode and in my backpack.
This applies to cell phones, smart watches, earbuds and headphones.
3. I will not lend my device to another student. I will report any lost or stolen personally owned devices.
4. I will not send inappropriate, hurtful or threatening text messages, or send or post any pictures or videos of anyone without my parents' and the person's permission.
5. I understand that I am responsible for the safekeeping of my communications device..
6. It is my responsibility to report any **harmful, threatening or bullying behavior** (written, picture or video) to Safe2Tell, Text A Tip, police, parents, or staff members immediately.
7. Failure to give your phone to school personnel is an act of defiance and may result in suspension.
8. I understand that if I need to contact a parent during the school day (7:30-2:45), I will go to the office or use a classroom phone with permission.

Parent Expectations:

1. I have read and will reinforce the student expectation, policy, and contract with my child.
2. I will monitor my child's use of his/her cell phone.
3. I will ensure my child understands the dangers of texting/interacting with people they are unfamiliar with, posting pictures and/or videos and posting to social media.

4. I will monitor my child's communication devices. It is my responsibility to report any harmful and threatening behavior (written, picture or video) to Safe2Tell, Text a Tip police, or staff members immediately.
5. I will not call my child's cell phone during school hours as students phones will be off or on airplane mode. This would result in a tech violation for my child for disrupting class.
6. For any communication, emergency or otherwise, during the school hours of 7:30 – 2:45, I will call the front office number at (303) 387-2300.
7. I understand if my child needs to contact me, there are phones in the classrooms and office my child may use with permission.

Policy Violation Enforcement

If a student is using a device that is not permitted or using any device inappropriately, the device will be confiscated and the student may be subject to discipline.

I understand and accept the school's policy on communication devices. I agree that if I violate any part of the expectations within this contract, the school consequences will be enforced and used as a guideline for school administrators. This cell phone policy starts with the first bell and ends with the dismissal bell. The consequence can be changed at the discretion of the administration based on the severity of the infraction.

- 1st offense - Cell phone confiscated, brought to the office until the end of the school day, parents notified.
- 2nd offense - Cell phone confiscated and parents pick up phone from office.
- 3rd offense - Cell phone not allowed at school for four weeks.
- 4th offense - Cell phone no longer allowed at school.

Child's Name _____ Child's Signature _____

Child's Team _____ Parent's/Guardian Signature: _____

I understand that until the signed part of this contract is returned to RVMS, my child will not be allowed to bring their communication device to school. If a child and parent do not have a signed contract on file, cell phones will be confiscated immediately and will have to be picked up by the student's parent at school.

LASER POINTERS

Due to the serious injuries that may result, laser pointers are **NOT allowed** on school property including school buses. If a student brings one to school, it will be confiscated and parents will be asked to pick it up from school.

STUDENT CODE OF CONDUCT FOR DISCIPLINE IN DOUGLAS COUNTY

All students will review a copy of the student code of conduct for discipline in Douglas County online. It will fully outline the Board of Education Policies regarding student behavior in the Douglas County Schools. All students will be asked to sign that they have reviewed a copy of this information.

LANGUAGE

We expect that foul language NOT be used in this building. Students who violate this can expect to be disciplined appropriately.

TREATMENT OF GUEST TEACHERS

Students are expected to treat guest teachers (substitutes) with the utmost respect. If students need some assistance, and the regular teacher is absent, they are encouraged to see a counselor or another teacher with whom they are familiar to assist them.

FOOD/DRINKS IN THE HALLWAYS

Food and/or drinks are not allowed in the hallways. Food and drink can be consumed in the commons area at a supervised break or lunch. Otherwise, students are not allowed to walk around the classroom or hallways with food/drinks. Students eating food in the hallways without supervision may be asked to throw food in the trash. Water is the only drink allowed

outside of the commons. **Teams have the discretion to set up a snack time for their teams.**

LUNCHROOM

1. Clean up after yourself
2. Be respectful of others
3. Must be sitting at a table when in the lunchroom
4. All food and drink should be consumed in tiled area of the commons
5. Use of good table manners is expected
6. Students must stay in assigned area
7. No eating in the bathrooms or library.

As all RVMS students are expected to demonstrate responsibility and citizenship on a regular basis, all students will be assigned one week (5 days) of "community service", following lunchtime. During this time, lunch hosts will assist staff in straightening up the commons following our lunch shifts. A reminder will be posted each week in the commons for our students and their participation will result in a work habits grade for Enrichment.

STUDENT DRESS STANDARDS

Students are encouraged to dress appropriately for all school activities and to maintain a high standard of dress. The following general standards will be in effect:

1. Hats and hoods are not allowed to be worn in school between the hours of 7:30 - 2:45.
2. Reasonable cleanliness of person and wearing apparel is expected as a matter of health and aesthetics. If a family has financial difficulties, please contact a counselor at the school.
3. Shoes, sandals or boots must be worn in the buildings. This is a state law. Slippers are not allowed.
4. Short shorts/skirts, bare midriffs, halter tops, spaghetti straps, sheer/see through shirts, swimsuits, etc., or excessively tight clothing are for a more casual time and **not** for school. Beach and sleepwear are inappropriate for school. No "sagging" pants.
5. Clothes will not be worn that cause or are likely to cause disruption to the educational process. Clothes making statements with sexual innuendos or advertising alcohol, drugs and/or cigarettes don't belong in school. Occasionally, there are T-shirts that are clearly offensive and students are asked to change. Backpacks displaying inappropriate messages will not be allowed at school.
6. Wearing apparel that interferes with or endangers self or others while he/she is participating in classroom activities will not be worn. The decision as to the safety or unsuitability of the clothing is a matter of the judgment of school personnel.
7. Students are allowed to wear shorts and skirts. **We ask that shorts and skirts completely cover the student's bottom.**
8. Any manner of grooming or apparel, including clothing, jewelry, chains, emblems and badges, bandanas, and baggy clothing that by virtue of color, arrangement, trademark or other attribute is associated with or denotes membership in, or affiliation with any gang will not be allowed.
9. Attire deemed as "costume" will not be allowed. This rule is in place all year, including Halloween, prior to breaks, and the last day of school.

Parents and students will be made aware of more specific policies that will be included in our Code of Conduct Agreement during the online check-in process.

UPPER RAILING

NOTHING shall be thrown from the upper railing to the lower floor. Students who engage in this activity will be held accountable.

Behavior Expectations for Assemblies

1. Sit in assigned areas.
2. Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself.
3. Respect the speaker or presenter.
4. Dismiss as directed by an administrator or an adult in charge.

5. During the assembly, if you need to leave for any reason, please talk with your teacher quietly and leave with minimal disturbance.
6. If you are called out of the crowd by an administrator or other adult, you are expected to leave without any undue attention brought to yourself.
7. After leaving the assembly, return to the class noted by the teachers.
8. Failure to be on your best behavior may lead to disciplinary action.

ZERO TOLERANCE POLICY

A copy of this policy is available during the Express Check-in process. It outlines the policies regarding student behavior that will not be tolerated and that may result in suspension or mandatory expulsion. Parents must sign that they reviewed this information during the online check-in process. Administrators will review this information with students during the first weeks of school. They will be required to sign a form that they too have reviewed the policies.

SEARCHES

To maintain order and discipline in the schools and to protect the safety and welfare of students and school personnel, school authorities may search a student, backpacks, desks or storage area under the circumstances outlined below and may immediately take possession of any illegal, unauthorized or contraband materials discovered in the search.

Personal Searches

A student's person and/or personal effects in his/her possession (e.g., purse, book bag, etc.) may be searched whenever a school authority has reasonable suspicion to believe that the student is in possession of illegal or unauthorized materials.

If the administrator feels that a more intrusive search is required, searches of the person of a student which require removal of clothing other than a coat, jacket, shoes and socks shall be referred to and conducted by a law enforcement officer, and school personnel will not participate in such searches.

WEAPONS IN SCHOOL

The Board of Education has determined that the possession and/or use of dangerous or deadly weapons by students at school are detrimental to the welfare and safety of those students and others in the school community. Carrying, bringing, using, or possessing any dangerous or deadly weapon in a school building, on school grounds, at any school sanctioned activity or event, or while being transported in a school approved vehicle, without the authorization of the school or the school district, is strictly prohibited. Such weapons include, but are not limited to any firearm, whether loaded or unloaded, including without limitation, any pistol, revolver, rifle, or shotgun; air gun or spring gun; slingshot; bludgeon; brass knuckle or artificial knuckles of any kind; knife having a blade of greater than three inches, any knife the blades of which can be opened by a flick of a button or pressure on the handle, or any pocketknife where the blade is carried in a partially-opened position. Expulsion is mandatory for all violations of this policy.

TOBACCO/DRUG-FREE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

SMOKING AND OTHER USES OF TOBACCO BY STUDENTS

In accordance with DCSD behavior policies, smoking is not allowed by anyone on campus, at school activities or on school buses.

Student use, possession, sale, or transfer of tobacco products and all smoking materials are prohibited in school buildings and on school grounds. Students, staff, and visitors are prohibited from using tobacco on school buses at any time and at all school sponsored activities conducted on school property.

Douglas County law makes it a Class 2 Petty Offense for anyone under the age of 18 to possess or use any type of tobacco product. Law enforcement will be contacted.

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT REGARDING DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

Student use, possession, distribution, gift, purchase, exchange, sale or being under the influence of alcohol or illegal drugs is prohibited in all District schools, on all school grounds and District property, at any school-sanctioned activities, when students are being transported in vehicles dispatched by the District, and at any time or in any place where the student's conduct interferes with or disrupts the educational program or operations of the district.

Compliance with the standards of conduct set forth in this policy is mandatory for all students. A violation shall subject a

student to appropriate disciplinary action, up to and including expulsion and referral for prosecution.

NON-DISCRIMINATION/NON-HARASSMENT OF STUDENTS AND STAFF – Policy JBA

Individuals or groups are in violation of this policy if, on school grounds, at school-sanctioned activities, or in vehicles dispatched by District, they:

1. Make demeaning remarks directly or indirectly, such as name-calling, racial slurs, or “jokes”, or physically threaten or harm an individual on the basis of disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, or ancestry.
2. Display visual or written material or deface school property or materials to demean the disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, or ancestry.
3. Damage, deface, or destroy private property of any person because of that person’s disability, race, creed, color, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, religion, or ancestry.

Students or staff members that believe they or any other student or staff member have been the subject of harassment and/or discriminatory behavior will report the incident immediately to the school administrator, appropriate supervisor, or their designees. Complaints about harassment or discriminatory behavior will be investigated immediately.

Any student who violates this policy by engaging in conduct defined above that directly or indirectly causes intimidation, harassment, or physical harm to another student or staff member will be subject to disciplinary action.

Consult the Student Code of Conduct and Discipline for in-depth information.

RVMS FINANCE POLICIES:

Forms of payment:

We are requesting and encouraging that all fees be paid online. By utilizing the online credit card processing center located on the RVMS website, not through Parent Portal, payments are reflected in Infinite Campus as soon as a transaction is complete. If necessary, payments can be made in cash or by check. For detailed Financial policies please check the RVMS website under Bookkeeping.

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Important Dates

2019-2020

August 7	First Day of School for 7th Graders Only 7th Grade Picture Day
August 8	First Day for all Students 8th Grade Picture Day
August 15	Back to School Night – 6:00 - 7:30pm
August 21	Picture Make-up Day – during lunches
September 17	Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30 – 7:30pm A-K
September 19	Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30 - 7:30pm L-Z
September 26	Picture Re-take Day – during lunches
October 14 – 18	Fall Break
November 25 – 29	Thanksgiving Break
December 23 – January 6	Winter Break
January 21	8th Grade Orientation TRHS
January 27 - 28	Hearing & Vision Testing
February 11	Parent Teacher Conferences 3:30 – 7:30pm

March 16 - 20
April 2020
May 4
May 6
May 8
May 22

Spring Break
CMAS Testing Window
Honor Roll Assembly 7th Grade
Honor Roll Assembly 8th Grade
8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony TRHS
Last Day of School

IB Mission Statement



The International Baccalaureate aims to develop inquiring, knowledgeable and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.

To this end the organization works with schools, governments and international organizations to develop challenging programmes of international education and rigorous assessment.

These programmes encourage students across the world to become active, compassionate and lifelong learners who understand that other people, with their differences, can also be right.

RVMS Vision Statement

Ranch View Middle School is a positive community of learners inspired to make the world a better place through authentic and challenging learning opportunities that foster strong global awareness.

RVMS Mission Statement

Ranch View Middle School exists to provide a high-quality International Baccalaureate education that develops inquiring, caring, open-minded, and thoughtful students who demonstrate intercultural understanding and respect for all people.