Unit A

We are looking forward to visiting with each family during conferences. Please plan to bring your student to the conference. Our 15 minutes time slot will go very quickly. Please plan to arrive early. Please understand that teachers will need to end conferences on time as conferences are scheduled back to back. If we need more time to visit, we will schedule a time for a later date.

Principal’s Pen...

Teachers are busy preparing for Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences next week. Conference time passes quickly, so there are a few things parents can do to prepare as well:

• Be prompt or early for your assigned conference time.
• Bring your child to the conference.
• Write down any questions you have in advance.
• Help the teacher limit your conversation to 15 minutes.

In addition to meeting with classroom teachers, please stop in and see any other teachers that work with your child. Specialist teachers are available according to the following schedule:

Wednesday, November 14 (3:30-6:00), Thursday, November 15 (3:30-6:00), and Friday, November 16 (8:00-10:00)
Candice Malveaux - Learning Specialist
Beth Ryberg – School Counselor
Taylor Buckner – Home School Coordinator
Linda Bozoian – Instructional Coach
Rebecca Munsterman – Media Specialist
Paige Cowdrey – Physical Education
Greg Colman – Unit C Science (Nov. 15, 3:30 -6:00)
Celestine Hayes – Music (Nov. 14, 4:30 – 6:00; Nov. 16, 8:00 -10:00)
Fran Lakatos – Art (Nov. 14, 3:30 – 6:00, Nov. 16, 8:00 -10:00)

If you child works with Geoffrey Powell (learning specialist) or Carrie Weaver (speech/language), the teacher will either see you at your child’s conference or contact you by phone.

Thank you for attending conferences and partnering with teachers to support your child’s learning!
Looking ahead to School Events ~ please mark your calendars!

November 13
Unit B Field Trip to Missouri Theatre
Letter coming home TODAY

November 13
Parent Advisory Council 6:00 PM
PTSA Meeting 6:30 PM

November 14
Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences 3:30-6:00 PM

November 15
Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences 3:30-6:00 PM

November 16
NO SCHOOL—Conferences
Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences 8:00-10:00 AM

ABCD Day Calendar

Monday, November 12... A Day
Tuesday, November 13 ... B Day
Wednesday, November 14 ... C Day
Thursday, November 15 ... D Day
Friday, November 16 ... NO SCHOOL

Please have your child wear tennis shoes to school the day they have PE.

From Mrs. Ryberg, School Counselor:

Greetings and welcome to the cold and snowy weather coming our way. As we enter the winter season, consider doing the following to support your student:

1. Take time for self-care: Slow down for nutrition, sleep, exercise and limit screen time.
2. Take time for togetherness: Talk, listen, play and enjoy family time.
3. Do something creative: Focus on strengths, learn a new activity or hobby. Spend time in nature, read, art, music, etc.

Reach out for support. Your teachers and staff are here to work together with you to support your student for success. We love our Ridgeway kids!

Attached are some great resources for system support:

- The Search Institute has researched many ways to support internal and external assets in children, which can help your student grow up healthy and strong and avoid risk-taking behaviors. To see 40 positive supports and strengths that help young people succeed go to: https://www.search-institute.org/our-research/development-assets/developmental-assets-framework/

- Protective Factors by Dr. David Schramm: These are great parenting resources to help your child develop protective factors, which can help them to thrive. Scroll down for the parenting videos: https://ctf4kids.org/about-prevention/protective-factors-training/

It is an honor to be a part of our Ridgeway Family and to work with your fabulous students. Please reach out at any time. The counseling program is here to support the whole student, including social/emotional, academic, and career growth.

The Book Fair is coming to Ridgeway!

Wednesday, November 14, 3:00-6:00
Thursday, November 15, 3:00-6:00
Friday, November 16, 8:00-10:30

Students can preview the selection ahead of time, but sales will only be conducted Wednesday and Thursday after school and Friday morning. The book fair coincides with parent-teacher conferences, so we hope to see you all there! If you would like to volunteer to help with the book fair, please visit this website to sign up: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090944ADAF2EAAF58-november