

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

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### Upcoming Dates:

- 9/3 Back to School Night
- 9/14 Neighborhood Watch Meeting—Cafeteria at 6:00
- 9/18 Grandparents Day
- 9/23 School Board Mtg.
- 9/25 Student Gov't Elections

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## SUCCESSFUL START

### ANOTHER GOOD START

I want to thank all parents, students, teachers and staff for another great start. It is always exciting to see all the returning students, as well as the new students, running around on the playground, and catching up on what happened over the summer. With over 250 students, Richfield enters the new year with record enrollment, and high expectations. We expect our students to come to school prepared, ready to learn, with a great attitude. We are fortunate to provide your students with the best in facilities, and the best in teaching and support staff. Let's continue to work together to make this the best year ever!!

### BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Thursday, September 3rd, we will be holding our annual Back to School Night. There will be two sessions, one at 7:00 and one at 7:30. It is a

great time to visit your child (ren) teachers, and learn about those high expectations that we have for all students. Be sure to sign the Parent-Student-School Compact; an agreement of responsibilities between all three partners.

### WEBSITE

It is up and running. There will be improvements as we move forward. The address is [www.resd.tehama.k12.ca.us](http://www.resd.tehama.k12.ca.us). Please be sure to check the site for information before calling the office.

### SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL

School Site Council is an advisory council to the governing board that is responsible for developing a school plan, and managing a small budget. This year, we have two to three spots available for parents. If you are interested in serving on the Site Council, please sign-up at Back to

School Night. We will have a table between the buildings.

### SERRF

The everyday After School Program is up and running. They will have a table down by the cafeteria during Back to School Night. Pay a visit, and if you like what you see, sign-up.

### PRESCHOOL

There continues to be spots available at our pre-school. If you know of any 3 or 4 year olds in our district that are not attending a pre-school, let them know about the Richfield Preschool, and have them give us a call.

### GATE MEETING

There will be a GATE Parent Meeting at 6:30, prior to Back to School Night in Mrs. Fralin's Room.

## BALLPARK UNDER CONSTRUCTION?

Through the generous donations to PTO from the Rolling Hills Casino, we will be adding to our softball/baseball field. Twenty trees, benches, drinking fountains, and a sitting area will be added this fall. If you are interested in helping plant trees, please give Dave

Tollison a call at the school. We hope to have the trees planted by the end of September. Speaking of PTO. There is a meeting scheduled for Wednesday, September 9th, at 7:45 AM in the Computer Lab, right next door to the Library. They will be address-

ing Grandparent's Day, and the very famous cake auction.



# SWINE FLU UPDATE....

## Preparing for the Flu Season

You will be receiving home a number of updates on the Swine Flu, including symptoms, what to do, how to prepare, and what the school will do in case of an outbreak. There will also be information posted on our website. In the meantime, here are some helpful tips:

-Keep yourself and your kids healthy by eating a healthy diet of whole foods, drinking lots of water, get plenty of rest, and of course, exercise. Developing a routine, and

holding each family member accountable is also a great way to keep each other healthy.

-Watch for symptoms: Sudden, often severe, onset; Fever over 100 degrees; Extreme exhaustion; non-productive cough; chest discomfort; sore throat.

-Keep your child home when these symptoms arise so germs are contained. Keep them home fever free for 24 hours before sending them to school. If symptoms persist, please call your doctor, and make an appointment

We will continue to properly sanitize our high germ areas, and students will be required to sanitize their hands throughout the day, including before lunch.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. More information will come.



## Parent Volunteers:

As always, we welcome parents who want to volunteer their time.

There is a lot you can do to help us. Whether it is in the classroom, or planting trees, please let us know. We can put you to work.

## OTHER NEWS....

### RTA Negotiations

The RTA and District will be setting meeting dates in September and October to continue contract negotiations. We will give updates from those meetings throughout the year.

### Custodian/Maintenance

The District is close to hiring a new Maintenance/Custodial person. We hope to have this person on board by Tuesday, September 8th. A big thanks goes to Jackie Talley and Felipe Sanchez for working extra to make sure we had a safe, clean start to the school

year.

### Neighborhood Watch Meeting

If you live in the Richfield Community and are interested in the Neighborhood Watch Program, attend our next meeting on Monday, September 14th at 6:00 in the cafeteria.

## FIELD TRIPS.....

### Local Educational Field Trips

There are few field trips throughout the year that are put on by local educational agencies and are of no cost to participate. For example, 8th grade career day, Farm day, etc. Richfield will participate in these trips. Other educational trips that cost to participate, for example, Turtle Bay, will not be funded by the dis-

trict. Parents, in coordination with Teachers, can raise money for these trips if they choose. Please talk to your teachers at Back to School Night.

### Final Thoughts

You may have heard that the Schools in town have gone to uniforms. It has been a successful transition for them,

and I congratulate them. It is also a good reminder of our own dress code. It is in the handbook that was provided for you, and is on the website. Please review, and keep in mind that we want our students to come prepared to learn, and not be a distraction to others through our dress, hair style, and general overall appearance. Thank you.

