



November 22, 2021

Dear Riverside Families,

“Through the eyes of gratitude, everything is a miracle.”~Mary Davis

Here at Riverside we are grateful for all the miracles we see.

Celebrations:

- We will officially arrive at our 50th day of school!!! We cannot believe the year is flying by.
- We will continue to celebrate and learn more about the contributions of Native Americans during Native American History Month, as the students in Ms. Nichols’ class lead us in our morning announcements and share information with us about the various cultures and traditions of Native Americans.
- We successfully completed our second weekly COVID-19 screening. You may still enroll your child to participate in the screening. Please go to the district website to enroll [Princeton Public Schools District News](#).
- We celebrated National Kindness Day in classrooms around the building.
- Princeton University Tigers read us amazing stories about gratitude.

- **On Tuesday, November 23 at 2:15 p.m. please join us for our Celebration of Gratitude**
- **Students will participate in a fun-run activity at 2 p.m.**
- **Please have students wear sneakers and appropriate activewear.**

- **Parade and the Welcoming of our NEW Riverbear to Riverside. Please join us!**
- Each student may have two guests.
- Everyone must be masked
- Guests may observe the parade in the front of the school in the fire lane (the same area used for the Fall Harvest/Halloween parade).

Updates:

- On Tuesday, November 23 items in the Lost and Found will be on display in the front courtyard during morning arrival and afternoon dismissal for the last time before Winter Break. Please come check for any items your Upstander may be missing.
- PPS is offering free vaccination clinics and it is not too late to sign up. Please use this link <https://princetonschedule.as.me/schedule.php?calendarID=6226723>

Reminders:

- **Wednesday, November 24, is an Early Dismissal day.**
- **Morning Arrival:**
- Please abide by the Riverside car line rules for the safety:
- Please do not allow students out of the car prior to the drop-off point
- Please drop students off on the sidewalk side. Do not allow students to exit the car into the traffic lane.
- Please do not park your car in the car line and leave it unattended.
- ***All families have hopes and dreams for their children. Being in school every day will enable children to do well in school. ~attendanceworks.org***
- Riverside's school goal is for each student to have an attendance rate of 80% or better.
- Please note that beginning Wednesday, December 1, eating inside (and following all appropriate safety protocols) will be the default option. However, for families who prefer to have their students eat outside regardless of the weather, there is the option to **Opt Out of Eating In**. If you would prefer your student eat outside during the winter, please sign up [Princeton Public Schools District News](#)
- If your student is enrolled in Instrumental Music classes with Mr. Kramer and Ms. Banks, please encourage them to practice daily.
- CrisisGo daily health screening should be completed before 7:50 a.m. daily.
- With the cooler weather upon us, please make sure your child has appropriate attire for our daily outdoor experiences i.e. snack, lunch, recess, mask breaks, etc.
- If you are interested in being a Parent Volunteer at Riverside:
 - Please be available for a consistent schedule (once a week is fine, if it is the same time and day of the week)
 - Please complete the Parent Volunteer application: [Parent Volunteer Application](#)

We wish you all a healthy, safe and grateful holiday with your families.

Sincerely,

Ebony Lattimer, Principal