

# RIVER VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Michael Leasure, Principal



Dear River Valley Families,

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I hope you have been enjoying your summer break. We are looking forward to the start of the 2023-2024 school year and hope you are as well. Our first day of school is just around the corner on **Thursday, August 24th**. We are excited to welcome our students back for a great year filled with exciting opportunities!

Below you will find information on changes to this year's schedule and other important details about the upcoming school year.

## School Calendar

You can find our 2023-2024 school calendar on the RVSD Website in the About Us section. Secondary students will be dismissed at 12:10 pm on the following dates: 9/13, 9/27, 10/11, 10/25, 12/6, 12/13, 1/10, 1/24, 2/14, 2/28, 3/13, 3/27, 4/10, and 5/8.

## Daily Schedule Changes

- 9 Period Day
- Student Arrival - 7:15 am/Report to homeroom - 7:20 am
- Student Drivers Report to Campus Prior to 7:08 A.M.
- RVHS Dismissal at 2:33 pm
- STEAM Dismissal will be at 2:25 (Students will be transported directly home or to RVHS for Athletics or Extra-Curricular Activities)
- Email Bethany Faulk at [Faulk.b@rvsdpa.org](mailto:Faulk.b@rvsdpa.org) with any questions regarding student schedules.

## Building/Parking

- Students will be assigned lockers, and combination locks will be issued to each student. Locks from home are not permitted. Backpacks and belongings must be placed in lockers at the beginning of the day.
- Limited Parking this school year. Please utilize District transportation as much as possible. The Student Lot will be located off of the Elementary Parking Lot. Students that are driving will be dismissed after the buses leave.
- Seniors will be permitted to drive this year. Also, select Juniors that have parental permission and participate in Athletics or work after school will be permitted.



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THE SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS ASSOCIATION  
**LIGHTHOUSE  
SYSTEM**

- Any Junior that would like to drive must submit a parent note and reason for transportation to the office by August 22, 2023.
- The District will not be responsible for any student that parks in an unauthorized spot on or off the campus. All spots will be assigned by the HS office.
- Students that Drive will not be allowed to exit the campus until District Transportation has exited the Campus. Student Drivers will be leaving the campus around 2:45.

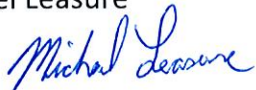
### Technology

- Parents can access information, including grades, attendance, schedules, and more, with the PowerSchool parent portal.
- The Career HUB will be open this school year. The HUB will be located in room 300. Students will have the opportunity to gain valuable career and workforce knowledge.
- The College HUB will be open this school year. Students will be able to take online dual enrollment courses at River Valley High School. The College HUB will be located in the Media Center Area.
- Chromebook Insurance: Families will have the opportunity to purchase affordable Chromebook insurance through the school. Details will be shared at the start of the school year.
- The school will be sharing important information with students and families this year using Remind. If you are not receiving these messages, please contact the school.

To learn more about the plans for this school year, please join us on **August 22nd from 5:00 pm to 6:30 for our Middle and High School Open House**. Students will be able to pick up their class schedules and meet their teachers during the event.

As always, feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns at 724-343-8410. We look forward to working with you and getting off to a great start to the school year.

Michael Leasure



RVHS Principal



**Dear River Valley School Families,**

Welcome to the 2023-2024 school year! We hope you had a restful and rejuvenating summer break. There have been some big changes in the Middle School and High School Counseling Department. Mrs. Faulk and Ms. Buffone will serve as the school counselors for grades 6th through 12th. We will not be splitting students by grade or alphabetical order. This enables the students to connect with either counselor or the first available counselor.

There are several ways to see a counselor. You can go to see Mrs. Faulk in the high school main office or Ms. Buffone at the middle school main office. If we are not available at that time you can send an email to [faulk.b@rvsdpa.org](mailto:faulk.b@rvsdpa.org) or [buffone.t@rvsdpa.org](mailto:buffone.t@rvsdpa.org). If it is an emergency please see Mr. Leasure in the high school main office.

Please be aware that Ms. Buffone will not be starting the school year at River Valley School District. She will join our school with a date yet to be determined. Until Ms. Buffone is present at our school please see or email Mrs. Faulk or Mr. Leasure.

Please be patient with us as we navigate through a school system that is new to both of us. As we move forward we will be updating our school counseling website with important information. Be sure to check the school counseling website for future updates.

We look forward to working with and supporting the students and families at River Valley.

Thank you,



Bethany Faulk



Tammy Buffone