

Panther Tales

August 7th- August 11th

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PANTHER TALES

A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER from RIDGEVIEW CHARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

Principal's Message

Dear Ridgeview United:

It's almost time. In just a few days, we will welcome our students to the best middle school in the world. We begin this year full of optimism and excitement as we prepare our students for life beyond school. The following instructional vision captures everything we're striving for this year: Ridgeview Charter Middle School instruction will empower ALL students to become productive, global citizens through differentiating, collaborating, and utilizing culturally responsive, high-leverage practices. This vision really speaks to ALL students and we intend to do just that as we look to become partners with you throughout your child's educational journey.

If you would like to contact me, you may do so at garrettt1@fultonschools.org.

Respectfully,

Thomas Garrett

Principal

Assistant Principals' Message

This academic year, all students will have the option to purchase a locker if they so want. In the first ten weeks of school, locker assignments will be made by homeroom instructors. Using OSP, which can be accessible on the school website, parents will pay for the locker online.

Starting on Monday, August 7th, students must follow the school's dress code by wearing uniforms. You may find the dress code at <https://www.fultonschools.org/domain/4402>.

Counselors' Corner

Counselors

8th Grade: James Hulett

7th Grade: Mina Harp

6th Grade:

Mr. Hulett

Counseling Caseload – Team 6C and Team 6D

504 Caseload – All current 504s (Annual Reviews)

Ms. Harp

Counseling Caseload – Team 6A and Team 6B

504 Caseload – Any new eligibility for 6th grade students.

Calendar

August 7th: First Day of School

August 15th: Governance Council Meeting, 7:30 a.m.

August 16th: Foundation Meeting, 7:30 a.m.

August 15th: 6th Grade Band Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

August 16th: Chorus Parent Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

August 17th: Orchestra Parent Meeting, 5:30 p.m.

August 24th: Virtual Title 1 Parent Meeting, 5:30 p.m.



Welcome Back!

Mr. Garrett welcomed students this week for Panther Peek!



Classroom Community

Teachers and students connected and found out more about the year ahead.



Join the Crowd!

The Ridgeview Foundation and the PTA both had tables at Panther Peek. See below for information on how to join our community.

Schedule Changes

Schedule changes will only occur for students who are requesting to join Fine Arts classes (Band, Chorus, or Orchestra). We cannot make scheduling changes for students requesting a new team or a specific teacher. We will make changes if an error in a requested course is made.



Parent University Class
Ridgeview Charter Middle School

Tools for School and Home for Academic Support & Monitoring

*All Parents & Families Invited
(Spanish Interpretation
Available)*



**Learn about iReady
assessments and tools
for use at home and
school to improve
students' performance**

- iReady reading and math diagnostic results
- iReady reading and math instructional tools

**Thursday,
August 24, 2023
at 5:30 p.m.**

*Virtual on
Teams:
[https://tinyurl.c
om/y4vyc4fz](https://tinyurl.com/y4vyc4fz)*

*Or dial 1-470-705-1712 and
enter 334 758 191#*

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Universidad de Clases Para los Padres
Ridgeview Charter Middle School

Herramientas para utilizar en casa para ayuda academicas

Todos los padres y familias estan invitados , sera ofrecido en Español

Obtenga informacion sobre el programa de iREADY para su uso en el hogar y la escuela para mejorar el rendimiento academico de los estudiantes

- Resultados de iReady, resultados de Matematica y Lectura
- Herramientas para entender iReady



Jueves , 24 de Agosto del 2023 a las 5:30 p.m.

Virtual
Microsoft
Teams
<https://tinyurl.com/y4vyc4fz>

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Transportation

As bus drivers become accustomed to their routes and students become acclimated to their routines/expectations, buses may run a bit late in the mornings and the afternoons. For afternoon dismissal, you can remain abreast of the departure times of your child's bus, by following these easy steps.

1. Visit herecomesthebus.com
2. Download the app.
3. Enter the code 87428

Arrival and Dismissal

For student safety as well as our staff supporting these processes, we ask for your support:

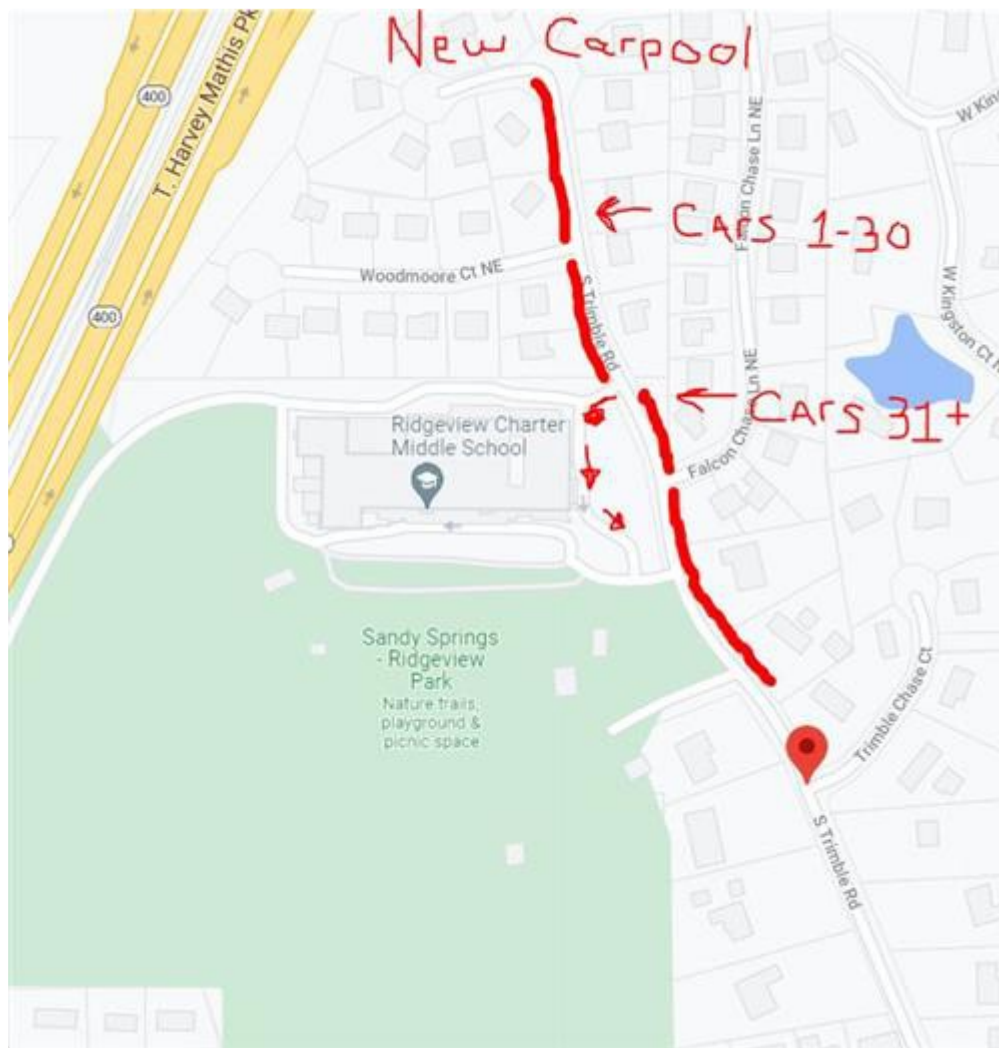
Arrival

- No drop-offs prior to 8:30 a.m. Students may not be left unattended prior to our opening.
- No drop-offs at the front doors. After 8:45, a parent should escort the student into the office for a tardy check-in. Bus riders are never tardy even if the bus is late.
- The carpool lane operates 8:30 - 8:45 a.m. Do not let students out prior to 8:30 a.m.
- Be ready as soon as you pull into carpool for your student to exit without assistance.
- Pull all the way forward in the carpool line.

Dismissal

- Walkers and bike riders need a permanent pass. Please contact the front office.
- Students only ride their assigned bus unless a bus change note is approved in the office.
- Carpoolers must be picked up in the lane. You may not meet your student in our parking lot, at the front doors, or elsewhere in the neighborhood.
- The bus is an available alternative if you find the carpool line to be too lengthy.
- In carpool, pull all the way forward, load quickly, and use the entire loading zone.

Carpool Location



Consider Joining PTA and Support RCMS Foundation

- **Parent Teacher Association:** Consider joining PTA with a range of donation levels to suit all families. These donations fund teacher grants, classroom supplies, staff gifts and recognitions, and student treats and incentives throughout the year. Please join at www.ptarcms.org.
- **RCMS Foundation:** Our amazing Foundation provides funding to our music and athletics programs. If your student participates in these hallmark programs, we need your support. Community partners are needed, too. Donate at www.rcmsfoundation.org.



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