



The Redtail Ridge Review Principals Update

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Redtail Ridge Elementary School

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Dear Families,

This newsletter is a bit delayed getting out, but I hope you had a great spring break and were able to relax and spend time with family and friends.

Spring means testing season in our schools. We are well into our MCA testing and our 3rd, 4th and 5th graders have been working hard on their tests. We will have Fastbridge testing coming up for all grades in May.

As one school year begins to wind down, we are already planning for next year. There is a lot of important information, including student placement forms, highlights from February, and details about upcoming events contained in this newsletter and I appreciate you all taking the time to read it.

Thank you for your continued support!
Mrs. Yetzer

Kindergarten Open House – May 13, 2025

You're invited to attend a Kindergarten Open House at your child's school on **Tuesday, May 13!** This is a great opportunity for incoming kindergarten students to **ride a school bus, tour their new school**, and begin getting excited for the year ahead.

Open House Schedule:

Five Hawks & Redtail Ridge: 3:30–4:30 p.m.

Glendale, Hamilton Ridge, Jeffers Pond, La ola del lago at Grainwood & WestWood: 4:30–5:30 p.m.

Kindergarten Enrollment:

If you haven't enrolled your child yet for kindergarten, now's the time!

[Enroll online here](#)

If your child will **not** be attending kindergarten for the 2025–26 school year, please let us know by contacting Rikki Lambert at rlambert@plsas.org.

Be sure to check out our [Preparing for Kindergarten](#) flyer—it's full of ideas to help prepare your child for kindergarten.

Coming Up...

Great Start to Kindergarten

July 28 – August 8, 2025

During this time, your child will meet with our teachers and other students. The session will take about 30 minutes and will help us place your child in the classroom that best supports their learning needs. Specific dates and information will come from your child's school.

From the Art Room

The art room is in need of cereal boxes and brown paper grocery bags with handles. Please send any donations you may have to school with your child or drop them off in the office at your convenience.

Thank you!!

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MILES OF STRENGTH

CHILDRENS LEUKEMIA 5K FUNDRAISER

In honor of Adalyn Shepard

RAFFLE
TICKETS

Enter to win: \$10



CHALLENGE
5K

Registration fee: \$15



10:00AM RACE TIME
April 26th

Ponds Park,
Prior Lake MN



Register Now!

Please wear your purple or orange



Order online today!

Dear parents,

We are happy to announce that we have chosen to sell prepackaged school supplies for the next school year through School Tool Box.

Want to avoid the back-to-school rush?

- Put your zip code in the box at SchoolToolBox.com
- Find the school, then choose your child's new grade

Each supply box matches your teacher's approved list. You can add extras or remove what you don't need. After you pay online, supplies are shipped directly to your home address.

It doesn't get easier than that!



SCHOOL TOOL BOX
schooltoolbox.com
800-952-1119

Your order supports



One Box, One Meal

School Name:

Redtail Ridge Elementary
Savage, MN 55378

Ordering Available:

Beginning May 15th

Allow 10 days for processing.



Notes



Scan here to view your school's boxes and place your order today!



Put Your Passion in Action – Become a Reading Tutor!

Students who read have the power to succeed. That's why Redtail Ridge is looking for JReading Corps tutors to make sure every student is a strong reader.

Tutors serve during school hours and spend their days helping students build their skills and confidence. With the support of an on-site coach, you'll be trained to deliver activities proven to help students improve as readers. No experience? No problem. Our tutors come from all walks of life. Whether you are a recent grad, career changer, stay-at-home parent, or retiree, you can make a great tutor!

Part-time and full-time positions for the 2025-26 school year are available beginning in August, October, and January. Tutors receive a paycheck every two weeks plus an education award to pay for qualifying college tuition or student loans. Tutors aged 55 or older may gift the education award to their child, grandchild, stepchild, step-grandchild, or foster child.

Ready to put your passion in action to help more students succeed? Learn more or apply at Join.ReadingandMath.org. Questions? Email join@ampact.us or call 866.859.2825.

Lunchroom Helpers

Do you have some free time/flexibility in your daily schedule from time to time? Would you like to be a Cafeteria Volunteer? We need helpers to assist the student's with everything from opening milk cartons to helping students get utensils and napkins, to wiping off tables after a class is dismissed. Please see the Sign Up Genius [here](#) to sign up for a day or two.

Thank you!!

From the Health Office

BOYS PANTS NEEDED

The Health Office is in need of boys pants, (elastic waist - no jeans or khaki pants). We are seeking sizes 4 through 12. Please drop any donations off or send them with your student.

If your child has come home in clothing from the health office, please wash and return it to the health office. Thank you!



Planning for the 2025-2026 School Year

We are already beginning to plan for the 2025-2026 school year. ***If you know your student will not be returning to Redtail Ridge***, we kindly ask that you notify Keri Kuboushek, our Lead Administrative Assistant either by email kkuboushek@plsas.org or phone (952)226-8004. This helps us with student numbers and sections of grade levels.

We work very hard to create classrooms that are balanced in a variety of ways. [Here](#) is a class placement form that you may fill out to share what type of teacher or environment that would be best for your child. We ask that you do not request a particular teacher by name. If your family had a teacher in the past that you think would be a great fit, you can name that teacher but there is no guarantee your request will be granted due to balancing each classroom. You can also request a copy from our school office to be sent home with your child if you are unable to access the form attached.

These forms are due by Friday, April 25th.

Caught Caring Winners

At Redtail Ridge we celebrate our CARES (Cooperation, Assertion, Responsibility, Empathy and Self-Control). Students can be "Caught Caring" if they show one of the CARES during school and staff may give them a Caught Caring Ticket. Each week we draw winners and those students can chose a reward from a list of Caught Caring Awards as a special thank you from the school staff for being a CARES student.

Our Caught Caring MVP's for the week of March 3rd are...

First Picture:

Kindergarten: Marty (Alpaugh) & Kaylee (Madson)

1st Grade: Lily (Suchanek) & Evan (McGinnis)

2nd Grade: Brooklyn (Hansen) & Wesley (Stufft)

3rd Grade: Fatima (Miller) & Nadine (Kodada)

4th Grade: Keagan (Roberts) & Yuliana (Groll)

5th Grade: MacKenie (Reetz) & Holden (Doerr)

Missing from picture: Brooklyn & Kaylee

Second Picture:

Bus: Jaxson (Losure) & Alex (Hatchett)

Parent Pick Up/Biker/Walker/Kids Co: Audrey (Hanson) & Elena (Hanstad)



Our caught caring MVP's for the week of 3/10 are....

First picture:

Kindergarten: Maisy (Scheffler) & Elliott (Alpaugh)

1st Grade: Brody (Schnackenberg) & Ashton (Hanson)

2nd Grade: Luis (Skjoiten) & Addison (Glass)

3rd Grade: Brook (Hatchett) & Nahomi (Gratz)

4th Grade: Lincoln (Losure) & Zachary (Hanstad)

5th Grade: Jake (West) & Rylee (Veldman)

Missing from photo: Luis

Second picture:

Bus: Hunter (Madson) & Scotty (Madson)

Walker/Biker/Parent Pick Up/Kids Co: Lennon (Alpaugh) & Brynlee (Stufft)



The Caught Caring MVP's for 3/17 are....

First Picture:

Kindergarten: JoJo (Alpaugh) & Luke (Scheffler)
 1st Grade: Cooper (Suchanek) & Landon (McGinnis)
 2nd Grade: Rose (Hanson) & Anna (Stufft)
 3rd Grade: Grace (Miller) & Madeline (Kodada)
 4th Grade: Ryan (Roberts) & Ryder (Groll)
 5th Grade: Amir (Reetz) & Harper (Doerr)

Second Picture:
 Bus: Mla (Hansen) & Waylon (Kodada)
 Parent Pick Up/Bikers/Walkers/Kids Co: Hadley (Stufft) & Jasper (Suchanek)
 Missing from photo: Hadley



Our Caught Caring MVP's for the week of 3/24 are....

First picture:
 Kindergarten: Calvin (Madson) & Jack M (Scheffler)
 1st Grade: Dylan (Schnackenberg) & Greyson (Hanson)
 2nd Grade: Emmett (Glass) & Nora D (Skjoiten)
 3rd Grade: Reagan H (Hatchett) & Makayla (Gratz)
 4th Grade: Kai (Losure) & Violet (Hanstad)
 5th Grade: Reese (West) & Rahel (Veldman)

Second picture:
 Bus: Cohen (Miller) & Madilyn M (Stufft)
 Parent Pick Up/Bikers/Walkers/Kids Co: Jordynn J. (McGinnis) & Levi (Doerr)



News from the Redtail Ridge Library

Legacy Book Club

Redtail Ridge is excited to offer the Legacy Book Club. This is a positive way for your child to give a unique gift to everyone at Redtail Ridge Elementary while celebrating a special day in their lives. The legacy book can be for a birthday, in honor of someone special, or for whatever you would like to celebrate.

If interested, you can purchase a book from this wish list: bit.ly/rrlegacy. Your child's name will be featured on a special bookplate in the front of the book, and your child will receive a bookmark as a thank you gift. They will then get to be the first person to check out the book from the Redtail Ridge Library.

If you have questions, please email Mrs. Iverson at kiverson@plsas.org.

HONOR A TEACHER OR STAFF MEMBER THIS SPRING!

WHAT'S THE ULTIMATE WAY TO SHOUT "THANK YOU" TO THAT AMAZING PERSON (OR PEOPLE) IN YOUR STUDENT'S LIFE? TREAT THEM TO A FANCY COFFEE OR A LUNCH|DINNER!

FOR EVERY \$30 TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATION TO THE LAKER EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION, YOUR FAVORITE STAFF MEMBER(S) WILL SCORE A PERSONALIZED SHOUT-OUT AND A \$25 GIFT CARD TO A LOCAL HOTSPOT!
FEELING EXTRA GENEROUS? HOW ABOUT BUMPING IT TO \$60? YOUR CHOSEN STAFF MEMBER WILL SNAG THAT PERSONALIZED GREETING AND A FABULOUS \$50 GIFT CARD!

TO DONATE....ACCESS OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.LAKEREDUCATIONALFOUNDATION.COM AND CLICK ON THE LINK LOCATED UNDER THE "DONATE" TAB ON THE HOME PAGE OR SCAN THIS QR CODE!



**DEADLINE IS MAY 28, 2025
AT MIDNIGHT!**

ALL PROCEEDS DIRECTLY SUPPORT THE LAKER EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION. FORMED IN 2005, THE FOUNDATION HAS AWARDED OVER 250 GRANTS IN EXCESS OF \$300,000 FOR INNOVATION AND CREATIVE EDUCATIONAL INITIATIVES THAT HAVE BENEFITTED STUDENTS OF ALL AGES IN PRIOR LAKE-SAVAGE AREA SCHOOLS!

FOR MORE INFORMATION , INCLUDING A LIST OF FUNDED GRANTS, ACCESS OUR WEBSITE:
WWW.LAKEREDUCATIONALFOUNDATION.COM

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Mark your calendars for these upcoming events at Redtail Ridge:

(Be sure to check this list each month, as changes or additions *MAY* occur)

Monday, April 21st: McHugh's Restaurant Fundraiser for Addy Shepard Foundation

Tuesday, May 6th: PTC Meeting 6:00-7:00 pm in the Media Center

Wednesday, May 7th: Early Release Day

Tuesday, May 20th: Culver's Restaurant Fundraiser

Thursday, May 22nd: Redtail Ridge Choir Concert 6:30 pm

Monday, May 26th: No School

Friday, May 30th: 5th grade Graduation 1:30 pm

Friday, May 30th: PTC End of the Year Family Fun Night

Monday, June 2nd: Kindergarten Graduation & Music Program 1:30 pm

Tuesday, June 3rd: PTC Meeting 6:00-7:00 pm in the Media Center

Wednesday, June 4th: Last Day of School- 3 hour early dismissal

Be sure to follow Redtail Ridge on Facebook!

