

Principal's Report

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Students:

492 Students

Students will be engaging in a few end of the year assessments.

- German A2 exams (language proficiency exam), April
- mClass / Dibels (foundational literacy), end of April

We are waiting on the results of student assessments and the climate survey in order to share them during the May meeting.

Lottery Report - In total 163 students applied for the kindergarten lottery which is the highest number during my time as principal. We anticipate a full kindergarten class of 72 students and will hold Kindergarten Round Up at the beginning of May to welcome the new students to Rilke Schule.

The Rilke Track Team has had a successful launch and the first track meet was a great event with many students competing.

A middle school dance was held on Friday, 4/10/26, at Rilke Schule.

Sporttag will be held on Wednesday, 5/20.

8th Grade Graduation will be held on Thursday, 5/21, at 10:00, and the 8th grade BBQ will be held afterwards on campus.

Staff:

40 Staff Members.

The leadership team has been reviewing the drafted Rilke Schule Community Handbook and focussing on the dress code. Once the draft handbook has been

finalized by the leadership team, it will be shared with the APC for approval, likely in March.

[Draft: Rilke Schule Community and Family Handbook](#)

Curriculum and Instruction:

Rilke Schule has begun the process to review and explore math curriculums in light of the current math curriculum, Ready Mathematics, coming to an end of its contract at the conclusion of the 26-27 school year. This vetting process is outlined in the document below.

[Rilke Math Curriculum Exploration Process](#)

Rilke admin has completed its tech assessment and has drafted the following multi-year tech plan to address funding for student technology and classroom technology. However, further stakeholder input is needed for this guiding document.

[Draft: Rilke Schule Technology Upgrades Multi-Year Plan 2026-2031](#)

Facility:

Rilke Administration is waiting on guidance from the APC to finalize the timeline and plans to relocate to Lake Otis.

Budget:

Refer to Herr Truog's treasury report.

Rilke has collected \$107,000 in activity / supply fees this school year. The account currently stands at \$29,000 on 4/9/26. We are in good shape to financially support the many field trips and events in the month of May and to begin making school purchases in preparation for next school year.

Community:

Herr VL will work to organize a Moving Committee if the APC votes to move this summer.

School Calendar:

Rilke Administration is proposing an adjusted school calendar for the start of the 26-27 school that differs from ASD. Please click on the link to read more about the proposal.

[Rilke Calendar Adjustment Proposal for the 26-27 School Year.](#)

We also plan to maintain the current calendar adjustments that we previously have had such as early release on Fridays and full day Parent - Teacher Conferences.