RINGGOLD HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Guest Speaker Shares Story, Important Message











On Friday October 30th, RHS freshmen and juniors attended an assembly featuring guest speaker Dr. Cuccia. The assembly, presented by the Demi Brae Cuccia Awareness Organization, told the story of Dr. Cuccia's daughter, who lost her life as a result of domestic violence. Dr. Cuccia believes that by sharing Demi's story and educating youth about the signs of domestic violence, he can prevent others from meeting the same fate. A representative from Domestic Violence Services of Southwest Pennsylvania was also available during student lunches to share preventative information and resources.

UPCOMING EVENTS

November 3: Senior Picture Day Make-Up
November 6: Veterans Day Assembly
November 10: Parent/Teacher Conferences
November 11: Veterans Day-No School
November 17: Winter ASVAB Administration
November 18 and 19: Mon Valley CTC Tours







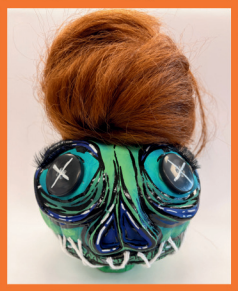












RHS Art Club Holds Pumpkin Decorating Contest

To celebrate Halloween, the RHS Art Club held a pumpkin decorating contest. Students demonstrated their creativity by painting various cartoon characters and abstract designs on their pumpkins–some even added sculptural elements! Once the pumpkins were completed, staff and students got to vote for the winners. First place honors were given to Artic Blackburn, second place honors were given to Carolyn Beatty, and third place honors were given to Kaidence Thompson (not pictured).






Senior Delights Diners

Recently, RHS culinary senior Lillian Shvarts held her senior student restaurant at Mon Valley Career and Technology Center. Her menu consisted of a charcuterie starter, lamb chops with garlic roasted mashed potatoes and Brussel sprouts, and a fancy Lil' Delights cheesecake dessert. Way to go, Lillian!



Students Attend TFIM Event

Last week, members of The Future is Mine Club attended the Future Ready Leaders event at the Charlie Batch Foundation. While there, they brainstormed new ideas for the upcoming year.



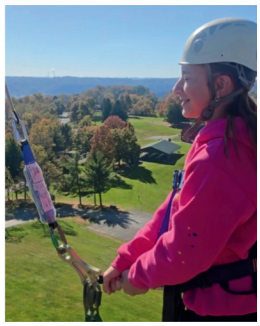
RHS Holds October Club Day

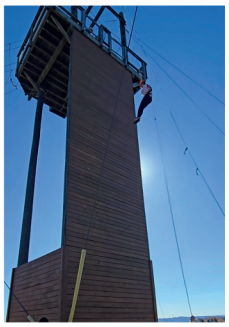
On Wednesday, October 28th, RHS held its October Club Day. Throughout the day, students in various clubs met to participate in fun activities like making skeletons out of Q-tips and creating puzzle pieces to support kindness and plan for future events.









Students Learn the Ropes on Field Trip

On Sunday, October 25th, the RHS Outdoor Adventure Club visited Grand Vue Adventure Park in Moundsville, West Virginia. While there, students participated in several activities including a ropes course and ziplining!




Competitive Cheer Continues to Earn Awards

Over the weekend, the RHS Competitive Cheer team traveled to Bethel Park High School for the South Hills Showdown Competition. They won second place in the small game day division and third place out of six teams in the small intermediate division! Next up is their regional competition on November 15th at the David L. Lawrence convention center in Pittsburgh; be sure to come out and support them!

Important Reminder: Bell-to-Bell Cell Phone Ban

The Pennsylvania bell-to-bell cell phone ban has been signed into law. In accordance with the Ringgold School District's electronic device policy, students must have their cell phones turned off for the entire school day, and their phones should not be out or in their pockets. Cell phones may not be used at any time during the school day, including lunch and study hall. We ask parents and guardians to please speak with their children and encourage them either to leave their phones at home or to follow the Board's policy. Thank you for your continued collaboration and support in helping us maintain a focused learning environment for all students!

Important Reminder: Parent/Guardian and Medical Excuses

When a student is absent, a parent/guardian may only write up to ten (10) parent/guardian excuses for approved reasons such as an illness, death in the family, family emergency, etc. Excuses such as missing the bus, oversleeping, recreational activities, etc. are not approved reasons and those notes will not be accepted.

Please be advised that Ringgold High School (RHS) will strictly adhere to the 3-day acceptance of parent/guardian excuses once the student returns to school after an absence as per the student handbook. If the student or parent/guardian turns in the excuse after the 3-day return, RHS Attendance will take the excuse, make a note in Focus that it was late along with the parent note, but the absence will remain unexcused or unlawful pending the number of unexcused absences that the student has accrued. Students are required to have medical excuses exceeding the ten (10) parent/guardian excuses. Medical excuses are unlimited and should be turned in as soon as possible.

Lastly, be sure to note that "Senior Skip Day" is not a school approved absence nor is it on the school calendar or supported by Ringgold High School. It is a made-up day by students and will not be accepted as an excuse.

It is important that students are present to receive a quality education to be successful. However, we understand that there are necessary times when students must be absent. It is important that excuses are turned in as soon as the student returns to school as Ringgold High School is trying to support families to avoid truancy issues, unnecessary School Attendance Improvement Plan (SAIP) meetings, CYS referrals, etc.

We appreciate the family-school collaboration in supporting the success of our students!



PAYMENT FOR AP EXAMS IS DUE TO MRS. RYGIEL-DEBOR IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE BY THE END OF THE DAY MONDAY, NOVEMBER 9TH, AS STUDENTS DO NOT HAVE SCHOOL TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, REACH OUT TO MRS. RYGIEL-DEBOR AT KRYGIEL@RINGGOLD.ORG.

Ringgold School District

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November 3, 2026

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Mon Valley Career and Technical Center (MVCTC) offers our students the opportunity to develop and strengthen skills in a trade prior to entering the workforce following graduation. Career training programs that are offered at MVCTC include Agriculture, Automotive Technology, Carpentry, Computer Engineering, Construction, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Electrical, Emergency Medical Services, Health Occupations, HVAC-R, Multimedia Design, Sports Medicine, Veterinary Science, and Welding.

MVCTC is an excellent opportunity that is available to your child during their 10th, 11th, and 12th grade years. It provides the possibility for your child to earn a certification and/or industry-based credentials prior to graduation.

All 9th grade students are given the opportunity to tour the MVCTC. This year, students in Mrs. Strain's and Mrs. Lake's classes will tour CTC on Wednesday, November 18th and students in Mrs. Roesner's classes will tour CTC on Thursday, November 19th. Students will depart from RHS at approximately 9:15 AM and return around 11:45 AM.

If you DO NOT want your child to tour the MVCTC, please complete this form. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's school counselor.

Respectfully,

The RHS School Counseling Department

Mrs. Rygiel-DeBor (A-G)
Mrs. Staffen (H-N)
Dr. Brownfield (O-Z)

LET'S STUFF a Bag

FOSTER LOVE PROJECT

LINKING LOVE TO FOSTER CHILDREN AND THE FAMILIES THAT CARE FOR THEM.

BAG DRIVE

RHS will be collecting bags and items for teens and children in foster care from OCTOBER 27 to NOVEMBER 20.

Students who donate/volunteer will be entered into a raffle for a gift card!

Each first period class will receive a bookbag and a list of items that are to be included. The class will work together to collect all items to fill the bag. The first classroom to complete a bag will win a PIZZA PARTY!

Teen Bag:

- Adult XS - XXXL
- T-Shirt
- Sweatpants or Leggings
- Socks
- Soft Blanket
- Stuffed Animal or Fidget
- Journal
- Body Wash (in Plastic Bag)
- Toothbrush/Toothpaste
- Bath Pouf
- Deodorant

Foster Love Project bags are given to the foster agencies that share our vision in ensuring that kids are able to take a bag of new belongings with them when they change homes.

*All items collected at RHS should be taken to Dr. Brownfield's office.

*All items collected at RMS should be taken to the school counseling office.

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- **Is your school a TCP participating school?**
- **Are you in 10th to 12th grade?**

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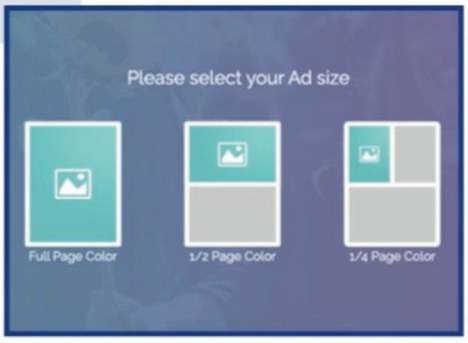
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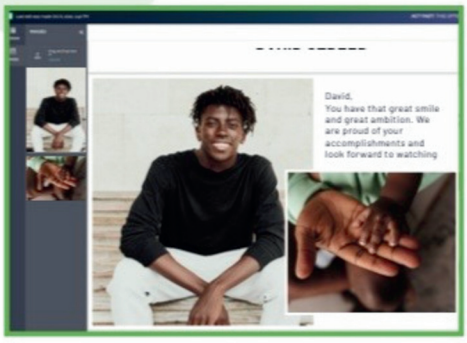
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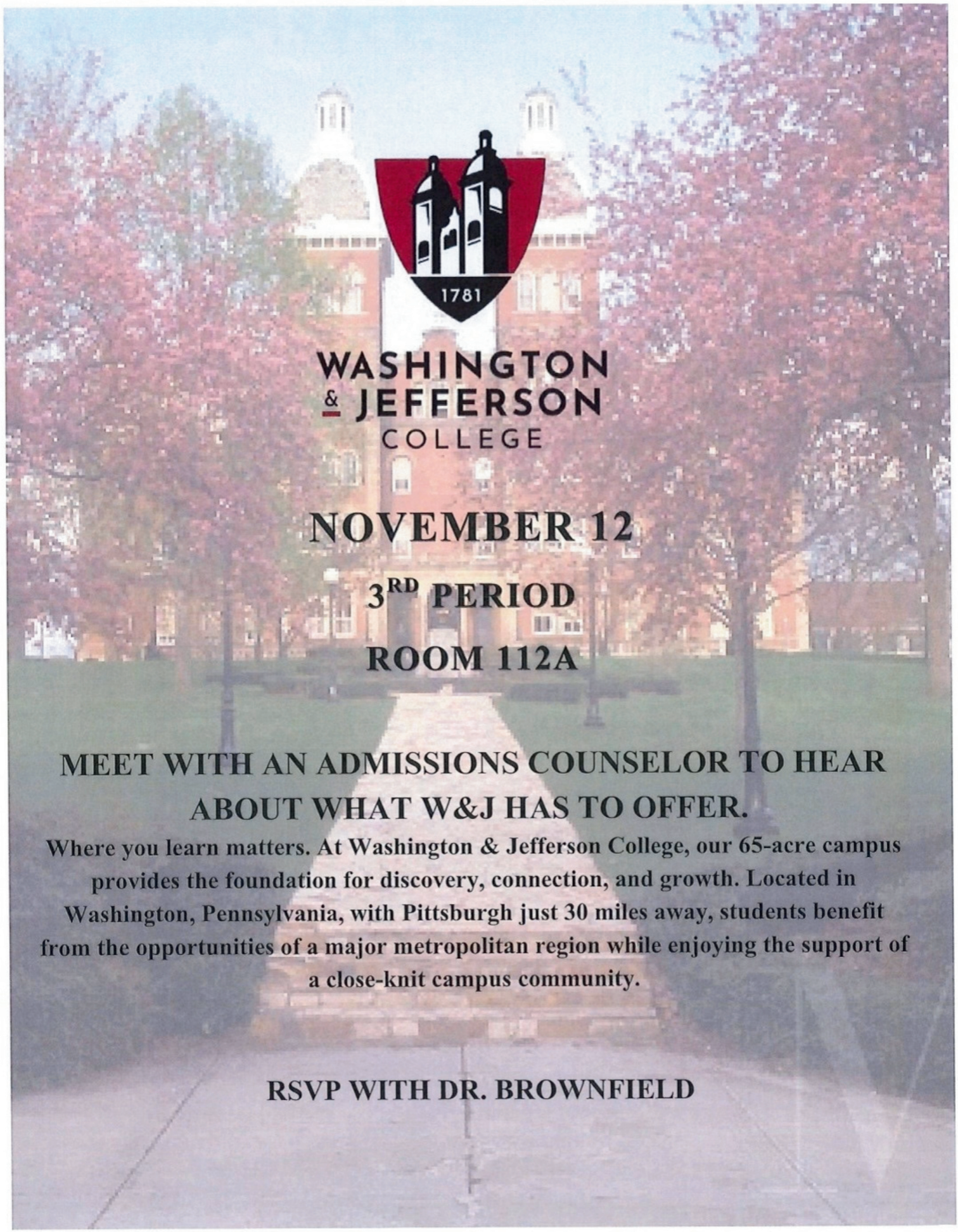
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Thursday, November 12, 2026 | 9-9:45 a.m. EST
Thursday, November 19, 2026 | 9-9:45 a.m. EST

Featured careers:

NOVEMBER 12

- Nursing
- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)

NOVEMBER 19

- Medical Assistants
- Pharmacy Technicians
- Sterile Processing Technician
- Physical and Occupational Therapists and Therapist Assistants



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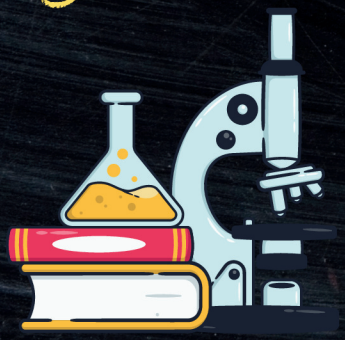
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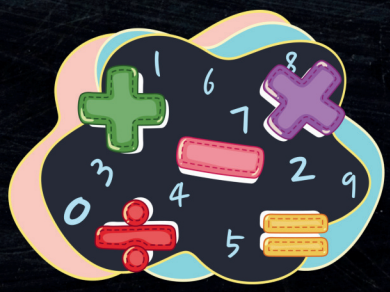
Social Studies



Science



Math



Tutoring takes place every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30-3:30 in the Media Center.

Special sessions for other subjects, such as Career Exploration, will be announced throughout the year.

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