



# Rio Community School District

411 Church St., Rio, WI 53960

**March, 2017**

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### From the Desk of....

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Welcome to the March edition of the Rio Community School's newsletter. With March beginning we know that winter is coming to an end and spring is right around the corner. This winter has been quite a challenge weather-wise. To date, we have missed five days of school due to bad weather, had two late starts, and two early dismissals. I know there are questions concerning the end of the year, specifically the last day of school. A decision will be made on how we will make up the time missed due to weather once the probability of school being closed due to bad weather greatly diminishes, hopefully by the end of March.

As you may know, the Rio Community School's Board of Education has been working with Honeywell on projects to improve the energy efficiency of our schools. At the end of February, the Board signed a contract with Honeywell to complete these projects. The projects that will be completed are: new roofs at both schools, an upgraded energy management system to control our heating and ventilating systems, a lighting retrofit with occupancy sensors (which includes the outdoor lighting), and sealing air leaks around doors and windows. Recently, we had our initial meeting with the project manager where we discussed the timeline of the project. Parts of the project will begin prior to the end of the school year with the majority of the work taking place during the summer. Any work that takes place prior to the end of the school year will not disrupt the school day; the work will be completed during second shift hours. It's been years since there has been work done to improve the energy efficiency of our schools. As I've mentioned in prior articles, this project is being done under the Act 32 legislation. This legislation sets up energy goals for the district and the energy company that is working with the school district; in our case, Honeywell. The goal is to reduce the district's use of energy. If the district meets those set goals, we will see a reduction in our energy

bills. If we do not meet those energy goals, then Honeywell pays the district the difference between what the district paid in utility bills and the stated goals. This is a win-win for our school district as we look at improving and maintaining our schools.

On February 22, 2017, the Rio Community School's Board of Education met with representatives from Boards of Education from Cambria-Friesland, Fall River, Pardeeville, and Randolph. This was the second meeting of the Boards this school year. The area Boards of Education are collaborating on ways to work together to provide educational opportunities for all students in each of our districts. The idea of getting these Boards together came from our referendum last year, where we told the community that we would explore opportunities to collaborate with other districts to benefit students. At this meeting, the Board heard reports on developing a framework of a common calendar among the school districts, a common bell schedule among the high schools, and on high school course description books. There were also discussions on sharing services in the areas of copy machines, professional development speakers, and staffing. In addition, the superintendents for Cambria-Friesland and Pardeeville shared information from a presentation they made at the Wisconsin Association of School Board's State Education Convention this past January. The presentation focused on the importance of school districts and local businesses working together for the betterment of their students and community. Another item that has come out of these meetings is a review of our current Trailways Athletic Conference. Discussions have taken place regarding the large number of schools that are members of this conference, the distance schools travel to compete, and the loss of rivalries between schools. Any decisions about a change in the conference would not take place for a couple of years, but we want to look at the conference make-up now to see if changes could be made for the future.

By the time you receive this newsletter,

our winter sport season will have come to a close. Our basketball teams have had very successful seasons. Congratulations to the Rio Vikings Girls' Basketball Team for winning the conference championship. We are truly proud of your accomplishment. The basketball teams will be celebrating their seasons a little differently this year. Each team will be holding their own individual awards night. The girls' awards night will be held on Thursday, March 16 beginning at 6:15 PM and the boys will take place on March 23, which is tentatively planned to begin at 6:00 PM. The events will take place in the commons area. If you would like to attend these awards nights, we would love to see you.

Now that we are in the month of March, there are a couple of important dates to remember. The first is March 24th. This is the end of the third quarter. The students do not have school that day. The teachers will be working on grades and will participate in professional development. Our spring break will take place from March 27-31. The students will return to school on April 3.

Until next time.....

### Mission Statement

It is the mission of the Rio Community School District to provide a healthy, safe, and engaging environment in which each student participates in a high quality education that he or she will use to grow as a person and become an active contributor to our community and the world.

### YOUR SCHOOL BOARD

Alice Marquardt, Board President  
Bob Hagenow, Vice President  
Kate Carlson, Clerk  
Doug Shippert, Treasurer  
Sue Ferriter, Legislative Liaison

Regular School Board meetings are usually on the second and fourth Mondays of the month in the Rio Middle/High School, room 142. Agendas for these meetings are posted at the Farmers and Merchants Bank, Rio Community Library, Rio Post Office, and both school buildings. The Rio Shopper also posts board meeting agendas and meeting minutes.

## From the Desk of....

*Middle / High School Principal  
& Athletic Director: Dana Tait*  
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As I write this newsletter, staff are busy entering mid-term grades for third quarter. Time sure flies during the second half of the school year. We have been focusing on preparing students for upcoming state assessments, providing career and job exploration opportunities, and reviewing student data from first semester.

This month, we took all the juniors and seniors to Pardeeville for their school's career and job fair. Students had the opportunity to speak with local business leaders and colleges about future employment, career interests, and educational programs that are available to help them meet their goals. There were about 35 representatives from different schools and businesses available for students to get information from. It was a great opportunity for students to speak with individuals who are actually working in different industries and give the representatives an opportunity to explain what they are looking for when hiring graduates.

We have also been busy preparing for the ACT/ WorkKeys test which is February 28th and March 1st. Teachers have been prepping students in their classes with practice assessments to help prepare the students with real sample test questions in the format they will see on the assessment.

High school students took the Civics exam and did extremely well. We have very few students who need to retake the exam. We received positive feedback that the review sessions offered during resource prior to the assessment were very helpful in preparing for the test.

We also recently reviewed data for the middle school students. We looked at the MAPS data and saw a lot of growth from fall to winter. For sixth grade, 17 students made growth or remained the same in language, 28 students made growth or remained the same in reading, and 23 made growth or remained the same in math. For seventh grade, 21 students made growth or remained the same in language, 23 students made growth or remained the same in reading, and 24 made growth or remained the same in math. For eighth grade, 26 students made growth or remained the same in language, 24 students made growth or

remained the same in reading, and 28 made growth or remained the same in math. In all grades, most of the students who declined went down by fewer than 5 points and many were already testing at grade level in the fall.

In the world of athletics, our boy's and girls' basketball teams ended the season very successfully at the top of the conference. The girls finished as conference champions with a 16-2 conference record and an 18-4 overall record. As I write this, the boys are finishing their season with three conference games remaining. Currently, the boys are in second place in the conference with an 11-3 conference record and a 16-3 overall record. Both teams were seeded high in the regional seed meetings and were awarded the opportunity to host home regional games. We hope to see you come out and support our team!

One team, one dream.



### Now Hiring: Summer School Teachers

The Rio School District is looking for teachers to teach summer school.

We are especially in need of teachers interested in teaching reading or math to students currently enrolled in grades K-5.

Anyone interested must hold a valid Initial Educator, Professional Educator, or Master Educator License.

The summer school session will begin June 12th and end June 30th.

If you are interested, please contact Mr. Vetter at Rio Elementary.  
920-992-3143  
[vetter@rio.k12.wi.us](mailto:vetter@rio.k12.wi.us)

### NOTICE OF ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that an election is to be held in the Rio Community School District on **Tuesday, April 4, 2017**. The following offices are to be elected to succeed the present incumbent listed. The term of office for a school board member is three years, beginning on April 24, 2017 and expiring on April 26, 2020.

**Incumbents:** Kate Carlson and Alice Marquardt

Notice is further given that Nomination Papers and a Declaration of Candidacy must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. on January 3, 2017 at the district office.

Notice is further given that if a primary is necessary, the primary will be held on February 21, 2017.

A description of the school district boundaries can be obtained from the school district office.

### SWIMMING LESSONS

Swimming lessons will be held in Portage again this year.

They will run from July 17 - 28. Class times will be 9:00, 10:00, and 11:00. More information to follow in the summer school packet.

### HEALTH INSURANCE

The Rio School District DOES NOT PROVIDE health or accident insurance for injuries incurred by your child at school.



## From the Desk of....

Elementary Principal – Craig Vetter  
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### Rio Elementary Happenings

As I write this newsletter article in the latter part of February, I can't believe that we're looking at an extended stretch of weather with temperatures in the fifties. I'm certainly not complaining, but I also realize that we can have some very tough weather in March. Sometimes kids think that once we get a few warm days in a row they can wear shorts and leave their coats at home. With that being said, I ask that parents make sure their children are coming to school prepared for a wide variety of weather conditions that can change drastically during the course of a school day.

We had a few exciting events take place at Rio Elementary during the month of February. On February 3<sup>rd</sup>, our fifth graders had their DARE graduation. Police Chief, Jeff Becker, Mrs. Fletcher, and Mrs. Kearney did a great job organizing this event. Sergeant Craig Freitag from the Lodi Police Department was the guest speaker at the ceremony. February 16th was *National Read Aloud Day*. Our reading specialist, Mrs. Marquardt, and I went into classrooms to read books to students. I really enjoyed doing so. Our school hosted the Rio School District Spelling Bee as well as the Regional Spelling Bee during the first part of the month. I finished this article before our February POPS assembly will take place. It is scheduled for the afternoon of the 24th rather than the normal morning time. We may choose to go with this afternoon time in the future, so please share your thoughts about which time you prefer.

Coming up in March we have more neat events. On March 2<sup>nd</sup>, we will celebrate *Read Across America* day. Some of the teachers are planning activities around this day. All I know is that I have been asked if it's okay to have pies thrown at my face as part of a reading incentive...I can't wait. On the night of March 9th we will have the *Rio Elementary Literacy Night*. I hope you'll be able to attend. There will be opportunities for parents to learn how they can support their children's reading at home. Our March POPS assembly will take place on March 23rd at 8:30. Please join us if you can. March 24th marks the start of spring break.

I know that I've touched on the idea of volunteering in past newsletter articles, but I feel that's important to mention it again. I certainly welcome anyone who is willing to share their time and talents with our students and staff. I've talked about the possibility of getting involved with our PTO. The PTO has provided our students with many things over the years, such as soccer goals, the school store, pea gravel for the playground, and computer programs just to name a few. It's a small group of people who are involved in everything the PTO provides. Just think how much more could be done if we had more involvement. If the PTO is not for you, maybe there's another way to help out in a classroom. Sometimes teachers are looking for volunteers to just come in and listen to our younger students read aloud. We have teachers that do after school clubs such as Maker's Club and Girls' Run Club. Maybe you could support them in some way. As a staff we are tossing around the idea of an after school homework club for the next school year; we may be looking for volunteers for this program. The bottom line is, if you are looking to volunteer your time, there are opportunities to do so and the students and staff would greatly appreciate it.

That's All for Now...

### School Wellness Committee

Every school district has to maintain a School Wellness Policy. That policy should be reviewed and updated every few years by a school wellness committee. We are looking for volunteers who may be interested in serving on a wellness committee for the Rio School District. A school wellness committee typically consists of employees working in the school district as well as interested community members. Please contact Craig Vetter at Rio Elementary if you would like to volunteer for the committee or if you need additional information.

Craig Vetter  
Rio Elementary Principal  
vetter@rio.k12.wi.us  
920-992-3143


### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CIRCLE DRIVE RULES

Please be aware of the "circle drive" rules during bus loading and unloading times. There will be **NO DRIVING OR PARKING** on the circle drive between:

7:40 AM – 8:10 AM  
10:45 AM – 11:10 AM  
12:20 PM – 12:40 PM  
3:10 PM – 3:30 PM

Eliminating the moving traffic, except for our busses, creates a much safer situation for your children. If you have other people (older siblings, grandparents, babysitters) pick up or drop off your child (children), please make them aware of our rules. If you park in the on-street parking spaces, please walk your child between the cars to the painted crosswalk or to the sidewalk at the entrance or exit.





**Be “Young, Reckless, and Free”--except when buying your yearbook...**

Rio High School yearbooks are still available after March 1st for the price of \$45

Please stop by to see Ms. Kolacki and provide cash or a check endorsed to Rio High School

Stay “Young, Reckless, and Free” Class of 2017!



### BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a high school student council blood drive on Wednesday, April 12 from 1 - 5 p.m. in the middle school gym. Hope to see you there!



### MIDDLE SCHOOL HONORS BAND

Ten Rio students were part of the Trailways South Conference Middle School Honor Band on Monday, February 13th at the Edgerton Performing Arts Center.

The honor students involved were Requel Anglemeyer, Alexa Kelm, Jane Risgaard, Alison Zeimet, Bailey Dobbratz, Courtney Quist, Sarah Hagenow, Brett Bender, Gavin Grams, and Emma Tynan (not pictured.)







## PROJECT WILD CHILD



This year, the Early Learning and Kindergarten students are learning through hands-on exploration at the Rio School Forest. Once a week, the students spend 2 ½ hours running, jumping, digging, wondering, building, rolling, lifting, creating, and meeting nature head-on.



This month we:



- Found bubbles in the ice
- Followed animal tracks
- Made up stories to tell the class
- Experimented with friction and gravity
- Felt the changes in weather
- Counted steps up and down the hill
- Carried on conversations with friends
- Created our own rules for safe play
- Hung a bird feeder
- Watched changes in the woodpecker tree



Through these activities we addressed  
Early Learning and  
Kindergarten standards like:

- Count to 100 by ones and by tens
- Use writing to represent thoughts and ideas

We can't wait to see what we learn next month!





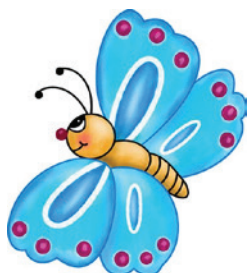
## FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT

March 9th, 5 - 7 p.m.

The Rio Elementary will be hosting a sports-themed family literacy night for EL - 5th grade students and their families.

Please join us for the fun!

Dinner is provided!!!



**7 PM MONDAY, MARCH 6TH**  
**RIO HIGH SCHOOL STAGE**  
**TICKETS \$5 STUDENTS// \$15 ADULTS**  
**TICKETS AVAILABLE CALL: 920-992-3141**  
**OR FROM ANY RIO MUSIC STUDENT**

Tickets Available Now!  
 AT THE HIGH SCHOOL MAIN OFFICE

"You Guys Are Pitch Perfect!"



~ Sara Bareilles

PARTIAL PROCEEDS BENEFIT THE RIO H.S. MUSIC DEPARTMENT

### Important Dates for the MS/HS

March 18 and 19 - Cabaret	May 1 - NHS & Academic awards
March 23 - Winter Sports Awards	April 24 thru May 12 - MAPS
March 22 and 23 - Senior portfolio checks	May 6 - Prom
March 24 thru March 31 - SPRING BREAK	<b>**May 19 - Seniors Last Day</b>
April 11 thru 22 - Forward exam (Testing 4/11, 4/12, 4/18, 4/19)	<b>**May 22 - Seniors check out, graduation practice, breakfast 8:30-10ish</b>
April 12- Blood Drive 12:30-5:30	<b>**May 25, 26, 30 - Semester Exams</b>
	<b>**May 31- Students last day</b>
April 18 - Trailways Academic Awards Banquet	June 1- Spring Sports awards 6:30 Scholarship Night 7pm
April 24 thru May 6 - ASPIRE (Testing 4/24 and 5/1 with writing 4/25-4/28)	June 4- Graduation

**\*\* Subject to change due to school closings**



Rio High School

Proudly presents

# NEW YORK STATE OF MIND



# CABARET 2017

**Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**

**\$15 per ticket pre-sale (Advance tickets only!)**

**Doors open at 6:00 pm**

*AND*

**Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**

**\$10 per ticket pre-sale / \$15 at the door**

**Doors open at 1:00 pm**

Rio High School Commons  
411 Church St.  
Rio, WI 53960

**Tickets are on sale NOW!**

**Call 920-992-3141 to reserve your tickets.**



## RIO SOLO & ENSEMBLE RESULTS – 2/18/17

*(Class A = Difficult; Class B = Medium; Class C = Med. Easy)*



### DIVISION 1 RATINGS : Gold Medals

\*Ashley Hagenow – Class A Vocal Solo

\*Mira Hinzman – Class A Vocal Solo

\*Mira Hinzman – Class A Musical Theatre Solo

\*Harley Teske – Class A Musical Theatre Solo

\*Gabi Tynan, Caleb Lang, Ryan Bagwell, & Zach Valencia – Class A Brass Quartet

(\*I = Qualifies for State S & E)

Gabi Tynan – Class A Trumpet Solo

Emma Tisil – Class A Clarinet Solo

Zach Valencia – Class A Trombone

Danielle Bagwell – Class A Vocal Solo

Zach Valencia – Class A Vocal Solo

Emma Tynan – Class B F Horn Solo

Spencer Braatz – Class B Drum Set Solo

Ashley Hagenow – Class B Oboe Solo

Jada Graham – Class B Alto Sax Solo

Mark Wiersma & Nick Zeimet – Class B Trombone Duet

Xee Vang – Class B Vocal Solo

Riley Grams – Class C Flute Solo

Bailey Dobbratz – Class C Trumpet Solo

Gavin Grams – Class C Timpani Solo

Sarah Hagenow & Courtney Quist – Class C Saxophone Duet

Sarah Hagenow, Courtney Quist, Jane Risgaard, & Alison Zeimet – Class C Saxophone Quartet

Mariah Mortimer – Class C Vocal Solo

Alea Bembenek – Class C Vocal Solo

Alison Zeimet – Class C Vocal Solo

Kloe Goetsch – Class C Vocal Solo

Brett Bender – Class C Vocal Solo

Lily Arndt, Rachel Jerome, Alea Bembenek, & Alison Zeimet – Class C Double Due

### DIVISION 2 RATINGS : Silver Medals

Ryan Bagwell – Class A F Horn Solo

Gabi Tynan, Caleb Lang, Nicole May, & Nathan Childs – Class A Trumpet Quartet

Daphne Hawley – Class A Musical Theatre Solo

Daphne Hawley – Class A Vocal Solo

Harley Teske – Class A Vocal Solo

Jeremy Ryan – Class A Vocal Solo

Harley Teske – Class B Clarinet Solo

Alicia Childs – Class B Alto Sax Solo

Reese Landsverk – Class B F Horn Solo

Mark Wiersma – Class B Trombone Solo

Jackson Stone – Class C Trombone Solo

Gavin Grams & Pierce Braatz – Class C Drum Duet

Jane Risgaard, Emma Tynan, & Alison Zeimet – Misc. Trio

Rachel Jerome – Class C Vocal Solo

Mariah Mortimer & Autumn Rippl – Class C Vocal Duet

Riley Grams, McKenna Knueppel, & Mariah Sandmire – Class C Vocal Trio

### DIVISION 3 RATINGS : Bronze

#### Medals

Nick Zeimet – Class B Trombone Solo

Kloe Goetsch & Daniel Smith – Class C Flute Duet

#### Comments Only

Samuel Scott – Class B Trumpet Solo

Silas Connaughty – Class B Tuba Solo

Piper Gorde – Class C Trumpet Solo

### Middle School Incentive Introduction



Jack and Jane Risgaard picking out some well-deserved snacks.

The middle school staff has developed an incentive program to encourage individual student growth. In the fall, all students in grades 6 through 8 participated. This included many fun activities such as pumpkin carving, building scarecrows, potato sack races, football throwing contests, and relays. Through a generous donation from Culver's, students finished the celebration with frozen custard. In November, 100% of the seventh and eighth students, and 81% of the sixth grade students earned the behavioral incentive to attend Portage Theaters to watch the movie *Trolls*. Since then, each student has set a goal to continue and/or improve his or her academic work. The future activities will include achievement in grades, behavior, and standardized testing. A special thanks to Jim and Mary Rusch for opening the theater for our students!



Jerry Hughes was even chosen to start the movie!



## Congrats to the Lady Vikings



**2017 Conference  
Champs**



## OPEN ENROLLMENT

FEBRUARY 6 - APRIL 28, 2017

Parents interested in open enrolling their children into the Rio School District, or any Wisconsin school district, may apply in one of two ways from February 6 until 4 p.m. on April 28, 2017.

- Online at <http://oe.dpi.wi.gov>
- In Person: Although the online application is preferred, paper applications may be obtained from the Department of Public Instruction or any school district and must be delivered (hand delivery is recommended) to the non-resident school district during the application period. *(The non-resident school district is the district the pupil is applying to attend.)*

If you do not have access to a computer, you can stop in the MS/HS office and we will help you fill the form out online. Please call Nicole Howard with any questions regarding open enrollment at, 920-992-3141 ext. 100.

The Rio Community School District invites new families to visit our schools and meet our staff. We're proud of our community and also the education we provide. But most of all, we're proud of our Rio students.

# Scholarships

The following scholarships are currently available in the guidance office

SCHOLARSHIP NAME	DESCRIPTION	WEBSITE (for more information and application)	DUE DATE	AMOUNT
Wisconsin Cattle-men and Cattlewomen Scholarship	The Wisconsin Cattlemen's and Cattlewomen's scholarship is available to any high school senior enrolled or planning to enroll in any university, technical college, community college in the United States, and the University of Wisconsin-Madison Agricultural Short Course Program.	<a href="http://www.wisconsincattlemen.com/resources/scholarships">http://www.wisconsincattlemen.com/resources/scholarships</a>	March 6th, 2017	\$500
REALTOR® Children Scholarship	The Wisconsin REALTORS® Foundation board of directors of the association will award ten \$750 scholarships to sons or daughters of Association members.	<a href="https://www.wra.org/Education/Scholarships/Children/REALTOR_Children_Scholarship/">https://www.wra.org/Education/Scholarships/Children/REALTOR_Children_Scholarship/</a>	March 10th, 2017	10 @ \$700
Building Peace Through Diplomacy Essay Contest	The American Foreign Service Association's National High School Essay Contest, now in its 18th year, encourages students to think critically and write an essay paper about building peace through diplomacy.	<a href="http://afsa.org/essay-contest">http://afsa.org/essay-contest</a>	March 15th, 2017	\$2,500
Columbia County 4-H High School Senior Scholarship	We teach, learn, lead and serve	<a href="http://columbia.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms/columbia-county-4-h-scholarship-forms/">http://columbia.uwex.edu/4-h-youth-development/4-h-forms/columbia-county-4-h-scholarship-forms/</a>	March 15th, 2017	\$300
Sheehy - Weidemann Scholarship	Prairie Lanes Junior Bowling program will be awarding two or more One thousand dollar scholarships to graduating high school senior(s) and who are bowling in the Prairie Lanes youth bowling program.	<a href="http://coachzproshop.com/docs/scholarship_application_sheehy_lloyd.pdf">http://coachzproshop.com/docs/scholarship_application_sheehy_lloyd.pdf</a>	March 15th, 2017	\$1,000
Wisconsin 4-H Foundation Scholarship	The Wisconsin 4-H Foundation will award more than \$10,000 in scholarships to outstanding Wisconsin students pursuing higher education in 2016. To be considered for financial support, applications must be received by the Wisconsin 4-H Foundation by March 15, 2016.	<a href="http://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/">http://wis4hfoundation.org/scholarships/</a>	March 15th, 2017	Various, up to \$1,000
Columbia County Master Gardener Association Scholarship	This scholarship is for high school seniors planning to attend a two or four-year institution, or current college students. Preference will be given to students majoring in horticulture, or a closely-related field of agriculture or environmental studies.	<a href="http://columbia.uwex.edu/horticulture/high-school-scholarship/">http://columbia.uwex.edu/horticulture/high-school-scholarship/</a>	March 15th, 2017	\$250
Dude Rancher's Associational Education Fund	The goal is to support the dude ranching industry and the future of dude ranching by providing financial assistance and encouragement to students pursuing an educational program that will lead to a career of benefit to them and the dude ranch industry.	<a href="http://duderanchhistory.com/scholarships/application/">http://duderanchhistory.com/scholarships/application/</a>	March 15th 2017	Varies
The Volunteers of Columbus Community Hospital	The scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior entering a health-oriented career program of not less than two years at an accredited school. Other deciding factors in determining the scholarship recipients will be character, initiative, participation in extracurricular activities, and/or work experience.	<a href="#">Please see Mr. Harris for application</a>	March 17th, 2017	7 at \$1,000
Columbus Community Hospital	The scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior entering a health-oriented career program of not less than two years at an accredited school. Other deciding factors in determining the scholarship recipients will be character, initiative, participation in extracurricular activities, and/or work experience.	<a href="#">Please see Mr. Harris for application</a>	March 17th, 2017	2 at \$500
Wisconsin FFA Foundation	The Wisconsin FFA Foundation is calling for applications for the 2016 post-secondary scholarships.	<a href="http://www.wisconsinffa.org/programs/">http://www.wisconsinffa.org/programs/</a>	March 17th, 2017	Varies scholarships with various amounts



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Wisconsin Electronic Security Association	The Wisconsin Electronic Security Association (ESA) is offering two Youth Scholarships, one each to a son or daughter of a police officer and a firefighter. Each scholarship will be in the amount of \$1,500.	<a href="http://wiesa.org/about/wiesa-scholarship-information/">http://wiesa.org/about/wiesa-scholarship-information/</a>	March 24th, 2017	\$1,500
Technical Excellence Scholarship	The Technical Excellence Scholarship will be awarded to Wisconsin high school seniors who have the highest demonstrated level of proficiency in technical education subjects.	<a href="http://www.heab.state.wi.us/technicalexcellence/hard_copy.html">http://www.heab.state.wi.us/technicalexcellence/hard_copy.html</a>	TBD	\$2,250 per year for up to three years
National Exchange Bank & Trust	One recipient to receive a \$500 scholarship to be used at an accredited public or private college, university or vocational school. Any high school senior or college student through age 22 that has a Dollars for Scholars or Step-Up Account.	<a href="https://www.nebat.com/sft587/step_up_scholarship.pdf">https://www.nebat.com/sft587/step_up_scholarship.pdf</a>	March 31st, 2017	\$500
Thomas Rowe Memorial Scholarship	Thomas Rowe was 14 years old in 1967 when a science experiment at his friend's home went tragically wrong and he and his friend died. In Tom's memory we are offering a \$500 scholarship to a college of your choice.	<u>Please see Mr. Harris for application</u>	TBD	\$500
Nuts, Bolts & Thingamajigs Scholarship	Since 1990, FMA's foundation, Nuts, Bolts & Thingamajigs, has awarded scholarships to students majoring in programs that lead to careers in manufacturing. Scholarships are awarded twice a year, in the Spring and in the Fall.	<a href="http://www.nutsandboltsfoundation.org/scholarships/">http://www.nutsandboltsfoundation.org/scholarships/</a>	March 31st, 2017	\$1,000
The Partners of Divine Savior Healthcare	The Partners give three annual scholarships for area high school students. One of two \$1,500 scholarships is awarded to graduating high school seniors who will be pursuing a degree in a healthcare-related field at a four-year college or university and one \$500 scholarship for a student seeking an associate's degree in a healthcare-related field is also given.	<u>Please see Mr. Harris for application</u>	March 31st, 2017	\$500 for two-year school / \$1500 for a four year
SFM Foundation Scholarship	SFM Foundation is a non-profit organization created to administer a post-secondary education scholarship program to benefit children of workers disabled or fatally injured in work-related accidents.	<a href="http://www.sfm-foundation.org/application_information.cfm">http://www.sfm-foundation.org/application_information.cfm</a>	March 31st, 2017	Up to \$5,000
Wisconsin Automotive Part Association Scholarship	This scholarship encourages and assists individuals seeking a career in the automotive aftermarket with financial assistance for education needed to develop the necessary skills required in the automotive aftermarket industry.	<a href="http://www.automotivescholarships.com/apply_online.cfm">http://www.automotivescholarships.com/apply_online.cfm</a>	March 31st, 2017	\$500 - \$750
Columbia County Deputy Sheriff's Association Scholarship	The Columbia County Deputy Sheriffs Association annual scholarship award program was developed to offer financial assistance to full-time students enrolled in Criminal Justice programs at any Wisconsin college or university.	<u>Please see Mr. Harris for application</u>	April 1st, 2017	\$1,000
Columbia County Association for Home and Community Education (HCE)	Columbia County Association for Home and Community Education (HCE) awards two \$500 scholarships to a high school senior who is a child or grandchild of an HCE member and who is continuing his/her education. The forms are available on the CCAHCE website and are due April 1st each year.	<a href="http://columbia.uwex.edu/family-living/home-community-education-hce/high-school-scholarship/">http://columbia.uwex.edu/family-living/home-community-education-hce/high-school-scholarship/</a>	April 1st, 2017	2 @ \$500
Columbia County Pork Partners	The Columbia County Pork Partners' Association Scholarship is awarded to high school seniors pursuing post-high school education. Preference is given to individuals who have been involved in and possess a sincere interest in the pork industry.	<u>Please see Mr. Harris for application</u>	April 1st, 2017	2 @ \$350

## RIO HIGH SCHOOL NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY SELECTION PROCEDURES

The following criteria will be used to select students for membership in the National Honor Society of Rio High School:

1. All students in grades 11 and 12 who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.3 or higher at the end of the first semester of their junior or senior year will be considered for election to the National Honor Society (NHS). A candidate must have attended Rio High School for at least one full semester to be considered for election to the National Honor Society. A Faculty Council consisting of five (5) staff members appointed by the Principal of Rio High School will further consider the eligible students and make a final determination of those students who will be elected to membership in the National Honor Society. Once selected, students must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.3 or higher to continue their membership.
2. The Rio High School Faculty Council will obtain information from the students and faculty members to help in the evaluation of their consideration for membership in the Rio Chapter of the National Honor Society. In addition to scholarship, information will be solicited in the other three (3) required areas of consideration: Leadership, Service and Character. Students who are eligible scholastically will be notified by the NHS Faculty Advisor and informed that for further consideration for selection to the chapter they may complete the Student Activity Form, which will be provided to them. This form will outline the student's accomplishments in the areas of Leadership and Service. The Student Activity Information Form will be reviewed by the Faculty Council along with any other verifiable information about each candidate. All prospective candidates will also be required to furnish three (3) faculty recommendations supporting their candidacy. These faculty recommendations will be submitted directly to the NHS Faculty Advisor by the faculty members. After reviewing all the information on each candidate, the Faculty Council will vote on admission of each candidate. Any candidate who receives a majority vote of the Faculty Council (3 of the 5 votes) will be inducted into the National Honor Society. Should a candidate not be selected for admission, the Faculty Council will list the specific number of votes for/against that student and state the reason(s) in writing for not selecting the student. This information will only be considered should an appeal be entered by the non-selected student.
3. Those students selected for membership

in the Rio Chapter of the National Honor Society will be notified in writing of their selection. As a courtesy, the NHS Chapter Advisor will also notify in writing those students who were not selected for National Honor Society membership by the Faculty Council.

4. **APPEALS IN CASES OF NON-SELECTION.** Should a non-selected student wish to appeal, that individual may appeal to the Rio High School Principal within three (3) days of notification of non-selection. This appeal should be made in writing to the Principal and state the reason the student is appealing the decision of the Faculty Council. After the Principal has considered the student appeal, he/she may agree to uphold the decision of the Faculty Council, or the Principal may ask the Faculty Council to reconvene to review the appeal. All decisions of the Principal and the Faculty Council are final. The National Council of the National Honor Society has no authority to overturn the judgment of the Rio Faculty Council regarding the selection of individual members to their chapter.

### EXPLANATION OF THE FOUR (4) CATEGORIES THAT DETERMINE STUDENT ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION TO THE RIO CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY:

#### SCHOLARSHIP

- Achieves at or above ability level.
- Studies for the sake of knowledge in addition to concern for the grade assigned.
- Displays intellectual curiosity.
- Must have a cumulative 3.3 grade point average.

#### LEADERSHIP

The leadership criterion is considered highly important for membership selection. The student who exercises leadership:

- Is resourceful in proposing new problems, applying principles, and making suggestions.
- Demonstrates initiative in promoting school activities.
- Exercises positive influence on peers in upholding school ideals.
- Contributes ideas that improve the civic life of the school.
- Is able to delegate responsibilities.
- Exemplifies positive attitudes.
- Inspires positive behavior in others.
- Successfully holds school offices or positions of responsibility; conducts business effectively and efficiently; demonstrates

reliability and dependability.

- Is a leader in the classroom, at work, and in other school or community activities.
- Is thoroughly dependable in any responsibility accepted.

#### SERVICE

Service is generally considered to be those actions undertaken by the student, which are done with or on behalf of others without any direct financial or material compensation to the individual performing the service. In considering service, the contributions this candidate has made to the school, classmates, and the community, as well as the student's attitude toward service can be reviewed. The student who serves:

- Volunteers and provides dependable and well-organized assistance, is gladly available, and is willing to sacrifice to offer assistance.
- Works well with others and is willing to take on difficult or inconspicuous responsibilities.
- Is willing to represent the class or school in inter-class and inter-scholastic competition.
- Participates in activities outside of school, for example Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, church groups, volunteer services for the elderly, poor, or disadvantaged.
- Mentors a person in the community or other students.


#### CHARACTER

Character is probably the most difficult criterion to define. The Faculty Council will consider the positive as well as the negative aspects of character. All judgments in this and other selection criteria should be free of speculation and rumor. It is recommended that the Faculty Council use the multi-faceted definition of character known as the "six Pillars of Character." A person of character demonstrates the following six (6) qualities: respect, responsibility, trustworthiness, fairness, caring, and citizenship. In addition, it can also be said that the student of character:

- Takes criticism willingly and accepts recommendations graciously.
- Consistently exemplifies desirable qualities of behavior (cheerfulness, friendliness, poise and stability).
- Upholds principles of morality and ethics.
- Cooperates by complying with school regulations.
- Demonstrates the highest standards of honesty and reliability.
- Manifests truthfulness in acknowledging obedience to rules, avoiding cheating in written work, and showing unwillingness to profit by the mistakes of others.



## NUTRITION BREAK- March 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3
<b>Note-</b> All Students are REQUIRED to take a minimum of ½ cup fruit.		<b>Elem</b> - Pillsbury Frudel (Apple or Cherry) OR Banana Bread, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Pillsbury Frudel (Apple or Cherry) or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Dunkin Stick, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Breakfast Sandwich or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Pop-tart, Cheez-its, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Pancake on a Stick or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk
6	7	8	9	10
<b>Elem</b> - Chocolate Chip Muffin, Fruit choice, Juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Breakfast Pizza or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Lemon Crunch Bar, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Cinnamon Roll or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Breakfast Sandwich OR Blueberry Bread, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Pizza Bagel or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Cinnamon Toast Crisps, Goldfish, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Eggs, Sausage, Toast or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Strawberry yogurt, Cheez-its, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Breakfast Sandwich or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk
13	14	15	16	17
<b>Elem</b> - Double Chocolate Betty Crocker Bar, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Breakfast Pizza or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Pizza Bagel OR Maple Waffle, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Breakfast Sandwich or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Chocolate Donuts, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Pillsbury Frudel (Apple or Cherry) or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Gripz, Goldfish, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Eggs, Sausage, Toast or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Cereal Kit, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Pancake on a Stick or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk
20	21	22	23	24 - NO SCHOOL
<b>Elem</b> - Pop-tart, Cheez-its, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Cook's Choice or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Powdered Donuts, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Cook's Choice or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Pancake on a Stick OR Cinnamon Bun, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Cook's Choice or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	<b>Elem</b> - Cereal Bar, Goldfish, Fruit choice, juice, milk <b>MS/HS</b> - Cook's Choice or Build a Breakfast, Variety of fruit, Milk	
27- SPRING BREAK	28- SPRING BREAK	29 - SPRING BREAK	30 - SPRING BREAK	31 - SPRING BREAK

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## ELEMENTARY LUNCH- March 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2 Dr. Seuss Day	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Choose at least 3 of the 5 Groups</li> <li>• One must be a full serving of fruit or veggie!</li> <li>• Or for a complete meal choose all 5!</li> </ul> <b>GROUPS:</b> Fruit, Veggies, Protein, Grain, Milk		<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Big Daddy Pizza <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwich Fruit Choice, Rice Krispie Treat, Fresh Fruit Carrots, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> If I Ran a Zoo Nuggets <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Sam I Am Ham Wrap Truffula Tree Fruits, Strawberry and Banana "cats in hats", Hop on Pop-Corn, Poodle Noodle Salad, Oh the Places You'll Go Jello, Grinch's Peas, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Ravioli, Breadstick <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Fish Sandwich Fruit Choice, Corn, Fresh Veggies, Milk
6	7	8	9	10
<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Mini Chicken Drumsticks <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> French Bread Pizza Fruit Choice, Green Beans, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Popcorn Chicken <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Cheesy Chicken Bake Dessert Choice, Fruit Choice, Broccoli, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Mini Corn Dogs <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Cheeseburger Pears, Garbanzo Beans, Fruit choice, Carrots, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Chicken Tenders <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> BBQ Rib Sandwich Fruit Choice, Corn, Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Wild Mike's Pizza <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Lil Nacho Bites Fruit choice, Carrots, Fresh Veggies, Milk
13	14 Pi Day!	15	16	17 St Patrick's Day
<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Cheese Dippers <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Cheese Flatbread Fruit Choice, Black Beans, Carrots, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Pizza Pi <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Chicken Pot Pi over Biscuit Apple Pi, Green Beans, Fruit choice, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Mini Pancake Wraps <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Breakfast Pizza Hash brown Patty, Strawberries, Orange Juice, Fresh Fruit, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Orange Chicken <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Teriyaki Bites Rice, Broccoli, Fruit Choice, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Shamrock Chicken Nuggets <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Pot O' Gold Grilled Cheese Sandwich Leprechaun Fruits, Carrot Coins, Shamrock Cookies, Lucky Peas, Fresh Veggies, Milk
20	21	22	23	24 - NO SCHOOL
<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Fruit/Yogurt/Granola, String Cheese, Crackers <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Chicken Drumstick Fruit Choice, Peas, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Bosco Sticks <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Goldfish Shaped Bread Turkey Sandwich Blueberry Cake, Garbanzo Beans, Fruit Choice, Broccoli, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> French Toast Sticks, <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> Waffle Sticks Eggs and Sausage, Hash Brown Cubes, Spiced Apples, Orange Juice, Fresh Fruit, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<u><b>Red Choice</b></u> Chicken Patty on a Bun <u><b>Blue Choice</b></u> PB&J Ice Cream, Fresh fruit, Green Beans, Fresh Veggies, Milk	
27- SPRING BREAK	28- SPRING BREAK	29 - SPRING BREAK	30 - SPRING BREAK	31 - SPRING BREAK
				



## MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL LUNCH- March 2017

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Choose at least 3 of the 5 Groups</li> <li>• One must be a full serving of fruit or veggie!</li> <li>• Or for a complete meal choose all 5!</li> </ul> <b>GROUPS:</b> Fruit, Veggies, Protein, Grain, Milk		<b>Choose one entree:</b> Big Daddy Pizza, Hot Ham and Cheese Sandwich with Baked Chips <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Fruit Choice, Rice Krispie Treat, Fresh Fruit, Carrots, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> If I Ran a Zoo Nuggets or Sam I Ham Wrap with Baked Chips <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Strawberries, Bananas, Pasta Salad, Jello Cups, Peas, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Ravioli with Breadstick, Fish Sandwich with Fries <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Fruit Choice, Corn, Fresh Veggies, Milk
6	7	8	9	10
<b>Choose one entree:</b> Mini Chicken Drumsticks or French Bread Pizza <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Fruit Choice, Green Beans, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Popcorn Chicken or Cheesy Chicken Bake <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Fruit Choice, Dessert Choice, Broccoli, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Mini Corn Dogs or Cheeseburger <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Fruit Choice, Garbanzo Beans, Carrots, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Chicken Tenders or BBQ Rib Sandwich <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Fruit Choice, Devil's Food Cake, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Wild Mike's Pizza or Lil Nacho Bites <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Fruit Choice, Carrots, Fresh Veggies, Milk
13	14 Pi Day	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day
<b>Choose one entree:</b> Cheese Dippers or Chicken or Cheese Flatbread <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Black Beans, Fruit Choice, Carrots, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Pizza Pi or Chicken Pot Pi over Biscuit <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Apple Pi, Fruit Choice, Green Beans, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Mini Pancake Wraps or Breakfast Pizza <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Hash brown Patty, Strawberries, Juice, Fresh Fruit, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Orange Chicken or Teriyaki Bites <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Rice, Broccoli, Fruit Choice, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Shamrock Chicken Nuggets or Pot O' Gold Grilled Cheese <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Leprechaun Fruits, Carrot Coins, Shamrock Cookies, Lucky Peas, Fresh Veggies, Milk
20	21	22	23	24 - NO SCHOOL
<b>Choose one entree:</b> Chicken Drumstick or Pizza Slice <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Peas, Fruit Choice, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Bosco Sticks or Goldfish Shaped Bread Turkey Sandwich with Baked Chips <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Garbanzo Beans, Fruit Choice, Broccoli, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> French Toast Sticks or Waffle Sticks <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Eggs and Sausage, Hash Brown Cubes, Spiced Apples, Orange Juice, Fresh Fruit, Fresh Veggies, Milk	<b>Choose one entree:</b> Chicken Patty or Uncrustable <b>Fruit &amp; Veggie Bar-</b> Ice Cream, Fresh Fruit, Green Beans, Fresh Veggies, Milk	
27- SPRING BREAK	28- SPRING BREAK	29 - SPRING BREAK	30 - SPRING BREAK	31 - SPRING BREAK

\*\* The most up to date schedules can be found on our website - [www.rio.k12.wi.us](http://www.rio.k12.wi.us)

## Rio Community School District

**MARCH 2017**

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Sat
<b>April</b> 3: Math Meet at Dodgeland 12: Blood Drive 1 - 5 p.m. 14: No School 16: Happy Easter! 28: Noon Dismissal			1	2	3	4
5	6 Cat's Pajamas, 7 p.m.	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 HS Forensics at Deforest, 4 p.m.  Board of Education Meeting, Rm 142, MS/HS, 6:30 p.m.	14	15 MS Large Group Festival at Williams Bay	16 Girl's BB Banquet, 6:15 p.m.	17 High School Track at UW Whitewater Kachel Fieldhouse, 4:15 p.m.	18 Cabaret, doors open at 6 p.m.
19 Cabaret, doors open at 1 p.m.	20 Academic Bowl at Horicon	21	22	23	24 <b>NO SCHOOL</b> End of 3rd Quarter	25
26	27 <b>SPRING BREAK</b>	28 <b>SPRING BREAK</b>  HS Girl's Varsity Track at UW-Oshkosh	29 <b>SPRING BREAK</b>	30 <b>SPRING BREAK</b>  High School Track at Poynette High, 4:15 p.m.	31 <b>SPRING BREAK</b>	

Happy Spring Break