

Mustang Eblast

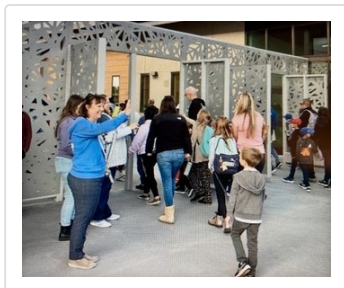
January 13, 2023

What a great First Week Mustangs!

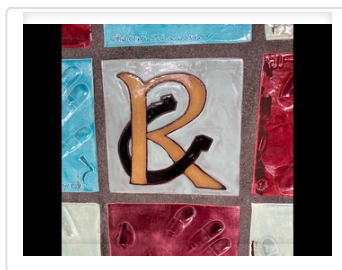
Thank you Mustangs and families for a great first week. Our school is truly beautiful but only as beautiful as the children in it! Seeing it filled with students learning and growing warmed our hearts. We are finally here!

No School Monday

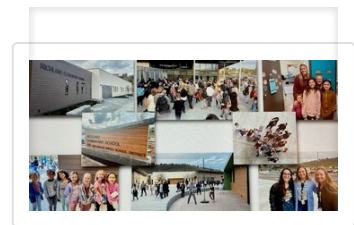
In honor of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, there is no school on Monday, January 16th. See you Tuesday!



First Day
Welcome!



We are Richland



First Day Smiles

Alumni Handprint Update

Good news! We saved all but 10 handprints! The handprints are ready to pick up after 4 p.m. today and throughout the holiday weekend. Please review the pictures and find the panel containing your handprints. The boxes will be designated with the panel they are located on.

<https://bbcus.egnyte.com/fl/2CHYNxT1Jc>

PLEASE review the following:

* Please be mindful when taking them out of boxes. Please put them back in the boxes you found them for the next person.

*PLEASE only take your own tile or ones you are responsible for. If you collecting for someone else, PLEASE communicate with them so they know you have theirs before you take it.

*The "R"s are gathered to be on display in our new campus.

*We did incur a cost to remove the tiles. Please consider a donation to Richland. Venmo @Richland-FORClub

*Tiles will be out in front of Richland all weekend and Monday. Collection of these tiles are our community's responsibility and we cannot be responsible for lost, broken or stolen tiles. Thank you for your understanding.

Forgot something at home?

Due to the LARGE size of our campus and the distance children have to walk to the office, we will not be calling students out of class for dropped off items. Instead, students will stop by the office on their way to lunch. Please be sure to send your student each morning with needed jackets, water bottles, chrome books and lunchbags.

Riding a bike, scooter, skateboard to school?

We have a bike rack in front of our school for convenience. It will be locked during school hours from 8:15-3:10 for safety. An additional bike lock is not needed but can be used if desired.

Dismissal

It was a great ending to a great week. Our pick is completed by 3:30 and people are finding thier groove! Here is a reminder of the procedures.

PK/TK/K Dismissal

Drivers

*Please put Pink or Red colored sign in your window. ONLY these two colors are allowed in the **Kinder drop off area to the right when you enter the driveway.**

*Teachers will assist with putting students in cars. Please teach your students how to buckle or unbuckle themselves. Parents remain in cars.

Walkers

*Teachers will walk students to the breezeway for parent walking pick up

*Parents will wait behind the cones outside of the gate for students to be released.

Grades 1-5

All students will exit through the Breezeway.

Drivers:

*Grade levels are color coded (TK: Pink, K: Red, 1st: Orange, 2nd: Yellow, 3rd: Green, 4th: Blue, 5th: Purple)

*Parents will have a piece of assigned colored construction paper in their car window with the student's first name and teacher name.

*Students will SIT in assigned grade level (5th closest to Kinder and 1st closest to Breezeway gate).

*If there are multiple students in a family, the siblings will SIT with the youngest student's grade and parents will use the youngest child's color paper with all students' names.

*Staff will be on duty to call student's names, wave cars to fill up the Pick Up Loop, and to help with student supervision while names are being called.

*When students are called, they will walk to the car as the cars fill up the Drive Up Loop. (Parents will NOT stop to pick up students where they are.)

*Parents must remain in their car at all times.

Walkers:

*All walkers will exit the Breezeway and walk to the right.

*Solo student walkers will exit the campus. (They can go left if they walk up Richland Road).

*Parents will wait behind a marked off area to the right.

*Students who are being picked up by Walk Up Parents will walk to meet parents behind the waiting area.

*The area in front of the Breezeway Gate must remain clear of parents in order for students to safely exit campus.

*There will be a teacher assigned on duty to monitor the students being picked up on foot by parents.

*Parents will meet their students to the left of the Multipurpose to await

KOC:

*Students going to KOC will exit the gate and walk to the entrance of the KOC classrooms where they will be met by staff.

Boys and Girls Club:

*Students going to Boys and Girls Club will enter the lobby of the MPR and meet staff in the MPR room.



PLEASE DON'T PARK/STAGE ON WASATCH PLACE!

Thank you for helping be good neighbors. The cul-de-sac at the end of Richland Road is not a parking place or a place to stage and wait. Cars parked here will be ticketed.



A Message from the FOR Club

FOR Club Meetings:

Our next meeting will be February 7th.

FOR Club meetings will be the 2nd Tuesday of every month from 6:00 - 7:00 in the Professional Development room. Child care will be provided.

Valentine's Grams

Spread some love this Valentine's Day with a brag tag and personalized message! You can send these to your Mustang, your Mustang's teacher, a staff member, or a Mustang friend! We will deliver purchases during school on Valentine's Day! Once you proceed to purchase your grams [here](#) you will be asked a series of questions; please follow the directions to ensure that your grams are delivered properly. We will be selling these Valentine's Grams in person at Mustang Market on January 27th as well as in front of the Parent Room at drop off the morning of February 3rd and 10th while supplies last.

*****Please note that If you wish to send your student a Valentines-Gram, but you need some financial assistance, please reach out to either Gaby Dellamary, in the office, or Kristen Engler, the counselor, as we have a limited number of scholarships to make sure all our Mustangs receive one.

STEAM Program:

We are excited to announce that our after school STEM Enrichment program at iFly is back on this year! The classes will be Wednesday February 1st, 8th and 15th at 3:30. There will be a total of 24 slots open for students with an additional 12 slots available for parents to join in flight! Cost for student flights (2 per student) is \$45 and FOR Club will sponsor half, so upon sign up you will need to submit payment of \$22.50 per student. Adult chaperone flights are \$55. There is an option to add a high flight for \$15. Sign up [here](#)! Please submit payment to our Venmo @Richland-FORClub or submit cash or check to the front office.

Yearbooks:

Yearbooks are on sale for \$25. Follow our link to order yours today

<https://www.yearbookordercenter.com/product/yearbooks>

Code: 17701

5th grade families ONLY:

- 5th grade sailing on ads are currently available for \$10 until Spring break!

Once we are in our new school we will have photo opportunities with a fun backdrop for all our 5th graders to enjoy. More info on that to follow.

- We still have room for our special baby picture page for all 5th graders to be a part of.

Lastly, if you have any First day of School pictures of your 5th grader please share those too.

<https://www.hjeshare.com/eShare/?code=mustangs22-23>

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2023 Yearbook cover art contest (3rd, 4th and 5th graders only)

Building the future...One child at a time.

The Yearbook Cover Contest is officially open to all Third, Fourth and Fifth grade students.

As we look around at our campus, we see it a little different. We see the old and now the new.

As we get ready to go into our new school, I realize, there are so many memories we're leaving behind.

What will you miss most about the Original Richland?

What are your favorite memories from the Original Richland?

Artwork is due to the Yearbook Committee by Friday, January 27. All artwork submissions must be returned to the office to be considered. No electronic submissions will be accepted.

Directions and Guidelines:

Yearbook theme is – **What will you miss most from the Original Richland**

Vertical orientation of artwork only

Use color as you want

Please use plain white paper. No lined paper. Size 8.5 x 11

No graphite, only pencil drawings – please use ink pens, crayons, colored pencils, markers, paint, etc.

Do not include the school's name or school year (2022-2023) – this will be printed on the cover .

Name, Grade AND Teacher MUST be included on the artwork to be included in the contest.

DO NOT put this information on the front of your artwork – print on the back or on a sticky note. Your artwork will be included in the yearbook just for participating!

***Be on the lookout for a flier in your Mustang's Wednesday Envelope.

Volunteer Opportunities:

We are currently searching for two Committee Chairpersons! We need someone to help organize our Adult Only Bingo De Mayo event and someone to help run the Raffle during Bingo. This year Bingo will be on May 5th which guarantees an extra amount of fun to this already fantastic event! If you are interested please email forclubpresident@gmail.com or check out our online form [here](#), which includes other opportunities as well.

Sponsorships:

We offer a variety of sponsorships and are pleased to have them available online this year. Sponsorships are a great way to get your name out to our Mustang Community while supporting the various programs FOR funds. This year, we are funding over \$110,000 for our enrichment programs, including STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) in the form of both in-school assemblies and a STEAM coordinator to provide in-school instruction, VAPA (Visual Arts and Performing Arts), and our Holiday Chorus and Spring Play ran by Luminary Arts. These funds also subsidize our support programs including Reading Intervention, Counseling Support, Classroom Support in the form of mini-grants, Instructional supplies, and our Appreciation program. We hope you will partner with us throughout the year so that our Mustangs can continue to enjoy the enhancements they deserve to their educational experience! Click [here](#) for year round sponsorships.

Mustang Monitors:

This is a great opportunity for Dads to be involved in their Mustang's day. Sign up and you can come on campus to help with drop off, recess, and to monitor the halls, and just say "hi" to the Mustangs. Click [here](#) to sign up.

Dineouts:

Our next dineout will be January 24th at The Old Spaghetti Factory in San Marcos. Mention Richland at checkout and 15% goes back to Richland Elementary! We hope to see you all there!

Mustang Market:

Our Mustang Market will be outside of the Parent Room, next to the Administration building, Friday the 27th of January from 8:00 - 8:45am. We will be selling spirit wear and gear, including new 2022-2023 shirts and zip up hoodies! We also have hats, spirit sticks, pencils, water bottles pencil bags and tote bags available. We accept cash, credit and Venmo. You can also check our online store at richlandmustangs.itemorder.com for additional options.

Hibernate

Our Hibernate fundraiser is ON! Just in time for the holidays and the cool winter months! Order by December 16th to get your order in time for holiday gifting.

This is a great passive income fundraiser for us and will run year long. 15% of your purchase goes back to Richland! Richland is already getting \$75 from this fundraiser so far! So let's keep it going!

Keep Hibernate in mind anytime you need to stock up on sheets! We will have sheets for you to feel for yourself at our next Mustang Market, December 16th. We will also have swatches of all 14 of the sheet colors for you to choose from, so you can see them for yourself!

To set up your child's fundraising account check out the flyer [here](#) where you can find the QR code or:

1. Download the Raise365 app and create an account or login to your existing account.
2. Go to the "Fundraisers" tab, hit "Join Fundraiser" and type Richland into the fundraiser search bar.
3. Fill out your child's info and use "Richland" as the fundraiser password.

*Note: If you see the fundraiser from last year, make sure to "exit fundraiser" before you can join the current year's fundraiser. If you need help with this, email forclubtreasurer@gmail.com for trouble shooting.

Here's a quick video showing you how to join the fundraiser on the app and share with family and friends:

<https://youtube.com/watch?v=RylccMpMwMo&feature=share>

Yearlong Fundraisers:

Amazon Smile:

Amazon smile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of your purchase of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. Change yours to "Friends of Richland" and give back to the school when you shop! [Set up now](#)

Ralphs Rewards:

Link your phone number to Richland Elementary at Customer Service and a portion of all your proceeds comes back to our Mustangs!

Green Flash Pest and Termite

Brown Family Chem Dry

Lovely Leaps

Mention Richland during registration at any of the above and a portion of proceeds will come back to Richland! Also, Green Flash offers discounts for Richland Families.

Box Tops:

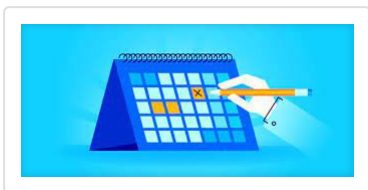
Earn cash for the school by saving box tops from participating companies. Click here <https://faqsbxxtops4education.com/s/article/How-do-I-earn-Box-Tops-with-my-digital-receipt> to find out how to digitally submit or simply cut out the box top and give them to your Mustang's teacher. There are two collection times throughout the school year and we will be announcing incentives for highest earning classrooms!

Visit our website at richlandforclub.com and join our facebook page, Friends of Richland Elementary School for more information and to stay up to date.

Thank you to our sponsors:

<https://www.nelsonfamilyorthodontics.com>

greenflashpest.com



Important Upcoming Dates to Remember

 Facebook

Monday, January 19th

No School. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Friday, January 27, 2023

Friday Flag Salute and Student of the Month - recorded
Mustang Market and Rush Coffe

Friday, February 17th - Monday, February 20th

No School. President's Day Weekend

Tuesday, March 14th, 3:30 p.m.

School Site Council Meeting, location TBD

Thursday, March 16th 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Richland Open House

Tuesday, March 21st 3:15-4:15

ELAC Meeting, New PD Room

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