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# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF <br> NEW RICHMOND 

ANNUAL POLICIES AND NOTICES

## Welcome to Our New Website

Fresh theme. Improved experience. Comprehensive and up-to-date. Inspired new website to strengthen communication and engagement.
www.newrichmond.k12.wi.us

Welcome to The school District of New Richmond's New Website!

This page is to help you get acquainted with the new site and introduce you to elements that are intended to help you get around and find the information you are looking for. We recommend taking the time to read this full page to understand our new site.

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## Annual District Policies and Notices

## STUDENT ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Pursuant to 2015 Wisconsin Act 55 section 120.12(13)(b) and section 118.30 ( 1 g )(a) of the state statute, the School District of New Richmond Board of Education provides instruction in courses consistent with the statute and regulations of the Department of Public Instruction or appropriate State agency. As outlined in District Policy number 2210, the School District of New Richmond Board of Education incorporates State recommended performance standards for students as the basis for determining how well each student is achieving curriculum objectives.

## SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT (Report Card)

Pursuant to 2015 Wisconsin Act 55 section 115.385(4) of the state statute, the School District of New Richmond provides a copy of the school's accountability report that is published by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction (DPI) located on the district website. www.newrichmond.k12.wi.us

## SCHOOL AND SCHOOL DISTRICT PERFORMANCE REPORT

The Department of Public Instruction (DPI) creates a School Reports Card and District Report Card for every publicly funded school and district in the state. The report cards are intended to help all schools and districts utilize data on specific measures to target improvement efforts to ensure students are ready for the next educational step - including the next grade level, graduation, college, and careers. These report cards can be accessed online at https:// dpi.wi.gov/ families-students/data/ report-cards

## EDUCATIONAL OPTIONS

Pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute $115.28(54 \mathrm{~m})$, notice must be provided regarding educational options available to all students who are at least three years old, but not yet 18 years old. Visit https://dpi.wi.gov/ed-options for the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Notice of Educational Options.

Pursuant to 2015 Wisconsin Act 55 section 118.57 of the state statue, the New Richmond Area offers the following educational options.

## $\square \quad$ PUBLIC SCHOOLS PreK-12

NR4Kids (Community Based Pre-Kindergarten Programming)
New Richmond Elementary Schools

- Hillside (Grades K-5)
- Paperjack (Grades K-5)
- Starr (Grades K-5)

New Richmond Middle School (Grades 6-8)
New Richmond High School (Grades 9-12)
$\square$ PRIVATE SCHOOL
St. Mary School (Grades K-8)
$\square \quad$ CHARTER AND VIRTUAL SCHOOLS
A list of currently operating charter and virtual charter schools can be accessed on the Department of Public Instruction website (DPI).
$\square$ FULL TIME PUBLIC SCHOOL OPEN ENROLLMENT
Any student that lives within the School District of New Richmond attendance boundaries has the option of attending any school district in the state of Wisconsin at no cost to the student. Open enrollment forms do need to be filed with the Department of Public Instruction (DPI). Transportation is the responsibility of the student's family.
$\square \quad$ PART TIME PUBLIC SCHOOL OPEN ENROLLMENT
Any students enrolled in the School District of New Richmond may opt to take a course in any other school district at no cost to the student if our school district does not offer the similar course. The School District of New Richmond is responsible for paying the cost of attending that course taken at the other school district.
$\square$ HOME-BASED PRIVATE EDUCATION PROGRAM (HOMESCHOOLING)
Parents must complete the PI-1206 form every school year.
DUAL ENROLLMENT PROGRAMS (WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

## $\square$ EARLY COLLEGE CREDIT PROGRAM

The 2017 Wisconsin Act 59 eliminated the Course Options and Youth Options programs. Youth Options was renamed the Early College Credit Program (ECCP 4-Year Institutions). ECCP allows Wisconsin high school students to take one or more courses at an institution of higher education for high school and/or college credit.
As stated in School District of New Richmond Board Policy 2271, the district shall provide an Early College Credit Program (Youth Options Program) for any 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th grade student who meets established requirements to enroll in programs offered by University of Wisconsin system institutions, tribally controlled colleges and private, non-profit higher education institutions in Wisconsin. Go to https://dpi.wi.gov/sites/default/files/imce/dual-enrollment/2019_10_31_ECCP_Basics.pdf for the Early College Credit Program (ECCP) Basics.
$\square$ START COLLEGE NOW
Start College Now (2-Year Institutions) allows high school students the opportunity to take college courses at Wisconsin Technical Colleges.
$\square \quad$ YOUTH APPRENTICESHIP
The Youth Apprenticeship (YA) Program is a one or two year elective statewide program that combines academic and technical instruction with mentored, paid, on-the-job learning that makes a real world connection for students.


#### Abstract

Youth Apprentices work a minimum of 450 hours at their YA worksite each year of their program and must take 2 terms of related high school or college classes to enhance their worksite experiences. Students are paid wages by the employer for the work experience portion of this program and must follow employer guidelines and the school policies/activity code. After successful completion of program requirements, students will earn a certificate from the Department of Workforce Development.

To enroll for this program, students must meet with the school Work-based Learning Coordinator at least two weeks prior to the start of the term. Activities for this class must be completed outside of the normal school day.


## STUDENT ASSESSMENT

In compliance with School District of New Richmond Policy 2623, below are the state mandated assessments for the 2022-23 school year:

- The Wisconsin Forward Exam at grades 3-8 in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics, at grades 4 and 8 in Science, and at grades 4, 8, and 10 in Social Studies
- Dynamic Learning Maps (DLM) at grades 3-11 in ELA and Mathematics, at grades 4 and 8-11 in Science, and at grades 4, 8, and 10 in Social Studies - alternate assessment for students with significant cognitive disabilities
- ACT Aspire at grades 9 \& 10 in ELA, Reading, Mathematics, Science and Writing
- The ACT Plus Writing at grade 11 for English, Reading, Mathematics, Science and Writing
- ACCESS for ELLs for students identified as English Learners to determine level and growth in achieving full English proficiency


## TITLE I SERVICES

According to School District of New Richmond Policy 2261, the School District of New Richmond shall annually assess the educational needs of eligible children as determined by Federal and State criteria. Such assessment shall include performance measures determined by the District professional staff, that will assist in the diagnosis, teaching, and learning of the participating students.

The Title I program shall be developed and evaluated in consultation with parents and professional staff members involved in its implementation. Appropriate training will be provided to staff members who provide Title I services. Parent participation shall be in accord with School District of New Richmond Policy 2261.01 and shall meet the requirements of Section 1118 of the Act.

## EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT

On December 10, 2015, President Obama signed into law a reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA). Previously referred to as No Child Left Behind (NCLB), the new law was reauthorized as the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). https://dpi.wi.gov/esea

## STATE STANDARDS AND CURRICULUM

States are required to develop state standards and participate in the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP). Wisconsin has developed standards and utilizes the Wisconsin Student Assessment System (WSAS) currently. School district educators have been working hard aligning their curriculums with the Wisconsin State Standards to make sure that students are assessed on the information that they have had the opportunity to master. District data retreats are held regularly where building teams meet to review district data on how students in the School District of New Richmond are progressing. The School District of New Richmond works collaboratively with a team of individuals composed of teachers, parents, school board members, and administrators representing the different viewpoints in the Title portions of the Elementary and Secondary Succeeds Act (ESSA). This team is responsible for assisting the district curriculum team and administration in the compliance and annual planning of the use of ESSA funds. Please contact the district office if you would like more information on this Act or visit the DPI website.

## PARENT RIGHTS AND THE CURRICULUM

As stated in School District of New Richmond Policy 2416.01, the Board of Education recognized the right of parents/legal guardians to inspect instructional materials and to deny their child's participation in certain curricular activities in accordance with state and federal laws and regulations. The Board of Education also recognizes that reasonable accommodations with regard to examinations and other academic requirements may have to be made from time to time because of a student's sincerely held religious beliefs. Additionally, in accordance with School District of New Richmond Policy 2414 , the district shall provide parents annually with an outline of the human growth and development program used in their child's grade level as well as information regarding how the parents may inspect the complete program and instructional materials. Prior to use in the classroom, the program shall be made available to parents for inspection.

Requests regarding the above may be made to the building principal. All requests shall be judged individually, based upon state and federal guidelines. If a parent/legal guardian is not satisfied with the building principal's decision, s/he may appeal to the superintendent.

## LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT (LEP) / ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNERS (ELL) STUDENTS

Parents have the right to be notified if their child is identified and is participating in a language instructional program within the school district. Information regarding the above can be found on the DPI website. https://dpi.wi.gov/wise/data-elements/elp

## ACADEMIC AND CAREER PLANNING SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

Pursuant to Wisconsin Administrative code (PI 26.03(1)(b)1, academic and career planning services are required to be provided to students enrolled in grades 6 to 12 (beginning the 2017-18 school year).

## SECTION 504 COMPLIANCE

The district ensures compliance with School District of New Richmond Policy 2412 and with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 794 : "No otherwise qualified handicapped individual...shall, solely by the reason of his handicap, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program of activity receiving federal financial assistance."

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## SPECIAL SERVICES

The School District of New Richmond provides special education and related services to all students, ages 3-21, with identified disabilities who live in the School District of New Richmond boundaries or who attend under Open Enrollment. A child with a disability is one who requires special education and related services. Special Education and related services are provided to students with the following disabilities:

- Autism
- Other health impairment
- Orthopedic impairment
- Significant developmental delay
- Specific learning disability
- Speech or language impairments
- Traumatic brain injury
- Visual impairment
- Emotional behavioral disability

Special education and related services may also be provided to a child who, by reason of his or her disability, requires special education. The following are some of the supportive and related services provided as needed to assist an individual child to benefit from special education:

- Assistive technology
- Audiological services
- Occupational therapy
- Nursing Services
- Physical therapy
- Specially designed physical education
- Speech-Language pathology services
- Transportation

The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction presents various reports regarding special education programs in the state including the School District of New Richmond. You may access this link for the most current reports: https://sped.dpi.wi.gov/spedprofile

## CHILD DEVELOPMENT DAYS / CHILD FIND

The School District of New Richmond is responsible for setting up the annual Child Development Days. Dates will be announced in November. Please watch the website for further information. If you suspect your child aged 3-21 has a disability, contact the Director of Student Services at 715- 243-7426.

## SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Special Needs Scholarship Program (SNSP) allows a student with a disability, who meets certain eligibility requirements, to receive a state-funded scholarship to attend a participating private school. SNSP schools may accept SNSP applications from July 1st to June 30th of each school year for that school year. The SNSP is governed by Wis. Stat. § 115.7915 and Wis. Admin Code PI49. Under Wis. Stat. § 115.7915 , a student with a disability may be eligible to participate in the SNSP if the student meets all of the following eligibility requirements:

- IEP or Services Plan. The student has an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or services plan that meets program requirements.
- Wisconsin Resident. The student resides in Wisconsin.

Additional information regarding the Special Needs Scholarship Program, residency requirements and related parent information can be found on the DPI Website at https://dpi.wi.gov/parental-education-options/special-needs-scholarship.

## REFERRALS/INTERVENTION

The School District of New Richmond is obligated to locate all children between the ages of 3-21 with suspected disabilities who are residents of the district or enrolled under Open Enrollment and who have not graduated from high school. The district must also evaluate all parentally placed private school students attending private school in New Richmond suspected of having a disability.
Children are referred for special education evaluations by school staff, parents, doctors, and other community service agencies (such as St.Croix County Birth to Three, Head Start and area preschools or daycares). Children with suspected disabilities enrolled in the schools can be referred for an evaluation by contacting the school psychologist assigned to your child's building. Other requests can be made by contacting the Director of Student Services at 715-243-7426.

The district offers assistance to students struggling academically, behaviorally, and emotionally. An intervention team model is available to students in grades 4K-8 that utilizes a problem solving and intervention approach. This process is called the Student Success Team. Students can be referred to this team for a variety of reasons by school personnel or by a parent. This team will analyze data and plan interventions for success. Interventions are provided in the classroom and by trained tutors. This team will help decide if your child should be referred for a special education evaluation. Please contact your child's building principal and or counselor for more information on SST.

UNIVERSAL SPEECH/LANGUAGE SCREENING FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS
This notice is to inform parents that ALL Kindergarten students will be screened for possible speech and language issues at all three (3) New Richmond elementary schools in late Fall 2023). These screenings are done to identify potential speech and language concerns that suggest the need for further evaluations or interventions.
All children will be screened in the areas of sound production, sentence construction, understanding, voice ability, and stuttering. If your son or daughter is in need of further testing, you will be contacted by the school speech and language pathologist. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the speech and language pathologist at your child's school.

## Hillside Elementary

Carey Reetz (715) 243-1491
Julie Vuchetich (715) 243-1492

## Paperjack Elementary

Kristin Taipale (715) 243-1525

## Starr Elementary

Ciara Anderson (715) 243-1554
Brooke John (715) 243-1587
Maureen Schindeldecker (715) 243-1564

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## EDUCATION OF HOMELESS CHILDREN AND YOUTHS

Parents of homeless children (and unaccompanied youth) must be notified of the availability of a district homeless liaison (Erica Bergmann 715-2431673) and the right to immediate enrollment and school participation, even if educational and medical records and proof of residency are not available. Homeless students have the right to enroll and be transported to their school of origin when requested by a parent. More information can be found on the district website. www.newrichmond.k12.wi.us

## GENERAL STUDENT NONDISCRIMINATION

The School District of New Richmond is committed to a policy of nondiscrimination on the basis of race, religion, sex or sexual orientation, age, national origin, handicap, ancestry, color or any other factor provided for by state and federal laws and regulations. This policy shall prevail in all matters concerning staff, students, the public, educational programs (including all career and technical education opportunities), services and individuals with whom the Board does business.

## COMPLAINT PROCEDURES

The Board of Education is committed to providing an equal opportunity for all students in the School District of New Richmond. The Board does not discriminate based on Protected Classes of race, color, national origin, age, sex, creed or religion, genetic information, handicap or disability, marital status, citizenship status, veteran status, sexual orientation, ancestry, any other characteristic protected by law in its employment practices or on the basis of transgender status, change of sex or gender identity in any of its student programs and activities. If any person believes that the School District of New Richmond or any part of the school organization has failed to follow state and federal nondiscrimination laws, he/she may bring a complaint to the District Office at 837 East Eleventh Street or send a complaint to either of the District's Compliance Officers.

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\text { Dr. Troy Miller } & \text { Kathy Rogers } \\
\text { Superintendent } & \text { Director of Student Services } \\
701 \text { East Eleventh Street } & \text { 701 East Eleventh Street } \\
\text { New Richmond, WI 54017 } & \text { New Richmond, WI 54017 } \\
715-243-7413 & 715-243-7426
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Notice of District nondiscrimination policies shall be published in accordance with state and federal requirements. Copies of District nondiscrimination policies shall also be made available to students, parents/guardians, job applicants, and employees. Student Policy 2260 - Nondiscrimination and Access to Equal Educational Opportunity and Staff Policies 3122 \& 4122 Nondiscrimination and Equal Employment Opportunity can also be found on the district website.

## STUDENT PRIVACY AND ANNUAL NOTICE TO PARENTS

Pursuant to the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and Wisconsin Statute 118.125, the School District of New Richmond has identified selected information relating to students called "directory information". This information is to be considered public information and may be released by the school district. Items considered to be directory information are as follows:

- Student's name
- Photographs or videotapes for school approved publications or other school approved use
- Co-curricular and Athletics
- Height and weight, if a member of an athletic team
- Awards received

While the school district must obtain and use certain information about each student in order to plan the best program possible, this need must be balanced with the right of each student and parent to privacy. Therefore, access to school information is limited and controlled.
If you do not want the School District of New Richmond to disclose directory information from your child's educational records without your prior written consent, you must notify the district in writing within fourteen (14) days of the publication of such notice in the District Newsletter, the official publication of the school district.

## STUDENT RECORDS

The Board of Education recognizes the need for confidentiality of student records. Therefore, student's records shall be available for inspection or release only with the prior approval of the parent/legal guardian or adult student, except in situations where legal requirements specify release of records without such prior approval. The Board has established guidelines relative to the collection, storage, retrieval, use and destruction of student records. Such procedures shall be in accordance with state and federal law and are identified in School District of New Richmond Policy 8330. Copies of the policy can be found on the district website. Information on the procedure for filing a complaint with the Family Policy and Regulation Office of the Department of Education is available at the District Office at 837 East Eleventh Street, New Richmond, WI 54017. A list of all persons who handle or have access to personally identifiable information shall be posted in accordance with state and federal law requirements and established procedures. Student record notices shall be published in accordance with state law.

## EDUCATION FOR EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

According to the Wisconsin Administrative Code (PI 26.04(4), parents are to be notified annually of the district's education for employment program. Information and opportunities include career awareness at the elementary grade levels, career exploration at the middle school levels, career planning and preparation at the high school grade levels, academic and career planning services for students in grades 6 to 12 (beginning the 2017-18 school year), and the availability of programs at technical colleges.

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## STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance is necessary for your child's success. It is necessary for you to call your child's school if $s /$ he is going to be absent or tardy. The Superintendent shall require, from the parent or guardian of each student or from an adult student, who has been absent for any reason a written, signed, dated statement stating the reason for he absence and the time period covered by the absence. The Board of Education reserves the right to verify such statements and to investigate the cause of each single absence, prolonged absence, or repeated unexplained absence and tardiness.

- Hillside Elementary, Paperjack Elementary, and Starr Elementary students are considered tardy if they are not in their classroom at 8:45 a.m. After 9:05 a.m. they are considered absent for the morning
- If a Middle School student arrives to class after the second bell has rung, $\mathrm{s} / \mathrm{he}$ is considered tardy.
- If a High School student arrives to class after the second bell has rung, $\mathrm{s} / \mathrm{he}$ is considered tardy. If a student is more than 10 minutes late to class, $\mathrm{s} /$ he will be considered absent from that class.

More information regarding attendance may be found in the student handbook.

## USE OR POSSESSION OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION DEVICES

According to School District of New Richmond Policy 5136, the Board of Education recognizes the value of students maintaining communication with their parents/legal guardians and other appropriate persons for health, safety and educational purposes. Therefore, possession and use of cell phones and other ECDs may be approved by the principal only if use by the student is determined to be for a medical, school, educational, vocational, or other legitimate use. Such possession or use of an ECD may not, in any way, disrupt the educational process in the school district, endanger the health or safety of the student or any one else, invade the rights of others at school, involve illegal or prohibited conduct of any kind.

## BULLYING

The Board of Education is committed to providing a safe, positive, productive, and nurturing educational environment for all of its students. The Board of Education encourages the promotion of positive interpersonal relations between members of the school community. Bullying toward a student, whether by other students, staff, or third parties is strictly prohibited and will not be tolerated. This prohibition includes physical, verbal and psychological abuse. The Board of Education will not tolerate any gestures, comments, threats, or actions which cause or threaten to cause bodily harm or personal degradation. This policy applies to all activities in the District, including activities on school property, including at any of the school buildings or other property used exclusively or in part, whether leased or owned by the district, for the purpose of school-related functions or events; or while traveling to or from school or to and from school sponsored functions or events; in transporting vehicles arranged for by school district officials. The policy applies as well during activities that occur off school property if the student or employee is at any school sponsored, school approved, or school related activity or function, such as field trips, or athletic events where students are under the supervision of school authorities, or where an employee is engaged in school business.

## HARASSMENT

In compliance with School District of New Richmond Policy 5517, the School District of New Richmond has developed and implements the processes, culture, and systems to move progressively towards a culture without harassment of students, staff, or community members.
No individuals shall harass any student, staff, or other individuals through conduct or communications that are harassing in nature. Such behavior includes inappropriate remarks about or conduct related to a persons' race, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, disability, age, sexual orientation, or any other protected classification.
Students, staff, and volunteers are mandated to report any instances of improper violations of School District of New Richmond Policy 5517 to his/her building principal/designee. Enforcement of this policy and complaints regarding allegations of harassment shall be processed according to established procedures.

## RECRUITER ACCESS TO STUDENT RECORDS

Military recruiters will be provided the same access to high school students as is generally provided to post secondary educational institutions or to prospective employers of those students. Parents have a right to request their child's name, address and phone number not be released to a military recruiter.

## MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE INFORMATION

Public health authorities recommend that teenagers and college bound students be immunized against a potentially fatal bacterial infection called meningococcal disease, a type of meningitis. The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and other leading medical organizations recommend routine meningococcal immunization for adolescents during the preadolescent doctor's visit ( $11-12$ year olds) and a booster at age 16 . To learn more about meningococcal disease, vaccine information, and public health resources, visit the following website https://www.cdc.gov/ - This CDC website includes the CDC recommendations and information on the meningococcal vaccine.

## NOTICE OF SUICIDE PREVENTION RESOURCES

According to section $115.365(3)$ of the state statute, each school board annually must inform its professional staff of the resources available from the DPI and other sources regarding suicide prevention. Information describing the suicide prevention resources and services and how staff can access them, along with model notices, are available on the DPI's website.

- https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/youth-suicide-prevention
- https://dpi.wi.gov/sspw/mental-health/youth-suicide-prevention/training


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## VIDEO SURVEILLANCE

In accordance with School District of New Richmond Policy 7440.01, the Board of Education authorizes the use of video surveillance and electronic monitoring equipment at various school sites throughout the district and on school buses. Video surveillance is not constantly monitored.

## STUDENT LOCKER SEARCHES

The Board of Education has charged school authorities with the responsibility of safeguarding the safety and well being of the students in their care. According to School District of New Richmond Policy 5771, school authorities may search school property such as lockers used by students or the person or property, including vehicles of a student.

## STUDENT ALCOHOL AND OTHER DRUG USE

Under the Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act Amendments of 1989, School District of New Richmond students may not possess, see, use, distribute, be under the influence of alcohol or other drugs while on school property or while involved in school related activities. Violators of the School District of New Richmond Policy 5530 - Drug Prevention shall be referred to the building principal and disciplined in accordance with established procedures.

## SCHOOL SAFETY

Parents will be notified if their school is identified under the DPI's criteria as persistently dangerous. Data regarding student expulsions is reviewed for this determination. Schools in the School District of New Richmond do not meet the criteria to be classified as "persistently dangerous". Parents will also be receiving information about a school's violence and drug prevention effort as well as how they can be involved in such initiatives.

## STAFF LICENSURE

Parents of students in the School District of New Richmond may request information about the qualifications of their children(s) teachers and paraprofessionals. Under this law, parents have the right to ask these questions:

1. Is my child's teacher licensed to teach the grades or subjects assigned?
2. Has the state waived any requirements for my child's teacher?
3. What was the college major of my child's teacher?
4. What degrees does my child's teacher hold?
5. Are there instructional aides working with my child?
6. If so, what are their qualifications?

Information can be found at https://elo.wieducatorlicensing.org/datamart/publicSearchMenu.do

## STUDENT SURVEY

Student surveys requesting information in one or more of the eight identified categories including questions that may be of a personal or sensitive nature must protect student privacy and give parents the right to inspect the survey. Parents will be provided with the approximate dates during the year when surveys are scheduled and have the right to opt their child out of participation in the administration of the survey. Every two years the School District of New Richmond administers the "Search Profiles of Student Life: Attitudes and Behaviors". This survey is very helpful in determining the number of developmental assets and at-risk behaviors reported by our students.

## INFORMATION ABOUT SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST

Starting with any youth athletic activity season that begins on or after July 1, 2022, school districts and other persons who operate certain youth athletic activities have an obligation under section 118.2935 to distribute information about the nature and risk of sudden cardiac arrest during such activities. The specific information that must be distributed will be developed and made available by the Department of Public Instruction, working in conjunction with medical experts and other stakeholders.

## ASBESTOS NOTIFICATION

In compliance with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), this is notice that the School District of New Richmond has an Asbestos Management Plan at the school district office. The plan is available for inspection by the public, parents, and district employees. The district performs six month periodic surveillance of asbestos and full re-inspections every three years. For more information, please contact the district office.

## INDOOR ENVIRONMENT QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

The School District of New Richmond would like to inform staff, students, parents, and the public of the district's indoor environmental quality (IEQ) management plan. The plan was initially developed in 2013 and is reviewed as necessary. The plan was developed as deemed appropriate for the district. Questions and concerns should be directed to the IEQ coordinator, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds, Jon Thompson (715) 243-7401. Copies of the plan are available at the maintenance office. The maintenance office is located at 701 East Eleventh Street, New Richmond, WI 54017.

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## CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM

$\square$ SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW RICHMOND POLICY 8500 - SCHOOL NUTRITION SERVICES

## NOTIFICATION OF LOW BALANCE AND COLLECTION OF NEGATIVE BALANCE

1. At the beginning of the school year and throughout the entire school year, families are to send money to the district office to be placed in a student account. This payment can also be made at each school building office, cashier station, or online through myschoolbucks.com. It is recommended that a minimum of $\$ 25.00$ per student be placed in the account initially. Larger payments (i.e. one month's payment) are encouraged. Prepayments must be accompanied with a "Meal Payment Deposit Envelope" that includes the family name, student account number, student name(s), and grade(s). Envelopes are available from the district office, school building office, and from school nutrition cashiers during lunch. Important: Fully completed envelopes are needed to ensure your payment is correctly posted to the right account.
2. To mitigate negative balances, all meal accounts greater than, or equal to $-\$ 40.00$ will be sent to a collections agency for payment. Parents and guardians are able to view balances, set up low balance notifications, and set up automatic payments for student accounts through myschoolbucks.com. The School Nutrition Department will send out negative balance reminders to families via email and phone call twice each month.
3. Students who withdraw from the district will be contacted by School Nutrition staff if there is a positive or negative meal account balance. Parents or legal guardians of students with a positive account balance will be sent a refund at their request. For students with a negative account balance, a request for payment notification/letter will be sent.

## SCHOOL WELLNESS POLICY NOTIFICATION

$\square$ SCHOOL DISTRICT OF NEW RICHMOND POLICY 8510 -WELLNESS
As required by law, the Board of Education establishes the following wellness policy for the School District of New Richmond as a part of a comprehensive wellness initiative.

The Board recognizes that good nutrition and regular physical activity affect the health and well-being of the District's students. Furthermore, research suggests there is a positive correlation between a student's health and well-being and his/her ability to learn. Moreover, schools can play an important role in the developmental process by which students establish their health and nutrition habits by providing nutritious meals and snacks through the school's meal programs, by supporting the development of good eating habits, and by promoting increased physical activity both in and out of school.
Schools alone, however, cannot develop healthy behaviors and habits within students regarding eating and exercise. It will be necessary for not only the staff, but also parents and the public at large to be involved in a community-wide effort to promote, support, and model such healthy behaviors and habits.

The Board sets the following goals in an effort to enable students to establish good health and nutrition choices to:

1. Promote nutrition education with the objective of improving students' health and reducing childhood obesity;
2. Improve the health and well-being of our children, increase consumption of healthful foods during the school day, and create an environment that reinforces the development of healthy eating habits;
3. Promote nutrition guidelines, a healthy eating environment, child nutrition programs, and food safety and security on each school campus with the objective of promoting student health and reducing childhood obesity;
4. Provide opportunities for every student to develop the knowledge and skills for specific physical activities, maintain physical fitness, regularly participate in physical activity, and understand the short and long-term benefits of a physically active lifestyle;
5. Promote the health and wellness of students and staff through other school based activities.

The school district's wellness committee will continue to meet this school year with regular in person meetings. Anyone from the community interested in joining the wellness committee are welcome. Please contact the Supervisor of School Nutrition, Bobbie Guyette via email at bguyette@newrichmond.k12.wi.us or by phone (715) 243-1714 for more information.

