FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH, 2023

# THE PULSE OF RINI

RINI Community News

## At-a-Glance

#### **SPECIAL REMINDERS**

Chromebooks ONLY, Please: Students are only allowed to use their Chromebooks in school when they are online – NO EXCEPTIONS. The RINI network has specific safety measures in place to protect your students from online intrusions. This important safety net does not extend to other laptops that students may bring to school. As a result, students MAY NOT use their personal laptops and tablets in school to access online work. Students can take notes on tablets but will still need their school issued computer. Please remind your students to pack their school-approved Chromebooks and chargers each morning.

**IEPs & 504s:** If your student has an IEP, please contact Ms. Marin Murphy (<u>mmurphy@rinimc.org</u>) for any IEP related questions. If your student has a 504, please contact Ms. Damaris Rosales (drosales@rinimc.org).

**Parent-Teacher Conferences** will be held on November 21st, from 1-7pm. Please sign up for conferences with your student's teachers using this Google Form: <u>link here.</u>



## **Dates to Remember**

- NOVEMBER 21ST: PARENT CONFERENCES
- NOVEMBER 22 24: THANKSGIVING RECESS, NO SCHOOL

# **Upcoming Events**

• DECEMBER 15TH: FALL JOB FAIR AND PARENT NIGHT

## **After School Clubs**

RINI TUTORING CENTER: OPEN TO ALL STUDENTS EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY, 2:30-3:30PM IN THE CAFETERIA

DEIB CLUB (DIVERSITY, EQUITY, INCLUSION, AND BELONGING): EVERY TUESDAY, 3-4 PM

STUDENT COUNSEL: MONDAYS, 3-3:30 PM.

SAFEBAE: THURSDAYS, 3PM



## **Excellentia!**

November finds us at the beginning of the second quarter of the school year. All students and families should now have access to PowerSchool, where they can receive information about grades and attendance. Parent conferences will be held from 1pm-7pm on Tuesday, November 21st. Students will have a half day on the 21st. We ask that parents and guardians sign up for conferences beforehand, and we have sent a form ahead of time to do so. Walk-in families will have to wait to see if there are any available appointment times, as families who sign up will have priority in meeting with teachers.

Next week will also see our Thanksgiving Recess. Students have no school from November 22nd through November 24th. Classes resume on Monday, November 28th.

Our National Honor Society Induction Ceremony took place on Wednesday, November 15th, in the PCTA Auditorium. We'd like to extend our congratulations to all new members of our NHS chapter at RINI on their hard work and academic success, and are proud to recognize their achievement.

As mentioned in the Nurse's Nook, RINI has started a project with Donors Choose to get all students at RINI a reusable water bottle. We have water bottle refill stations which provide filtered water, and staying hydrated is one way that students can beat fatigue, headaches, and thirst while at school. Please consider sharing with your friends, families, and communities to encourage as many donations as possible.

While we approach Thanksgiving, I want to express gratitude for our RINI community. While some members of our community have faced significant challenges this school year, I'm thankful that we're in a place where we are all able to rally together to support one another. We have a strong and resilient student body, and I'm thankful for our families, who make it possible for our students to do what they have to do as students, to show up even when it is difficult to do so, and who always encourage our students to succeed.

"Excellence isn't a one-week or oneyear ideal. It is constant."

MICHAEL JORDAN



In partnership,
Principal Ferland

# School Shoutouts - Congratulations on Perfect Attendance!

#### Grade 9 - Congratulations!

Heidi Yadira Aguilar Hope Badejo Aracely Caraballo Sarai Ashley Chach Brishleiny Chevalier Caitlin Ashley Chiong Michaela Barros Gough Erica Hernandez Siara Lopez Najarro

Alyhana Jae Lopez Mikayla Angelis Medina Celeste Alexandra Morales Hailey Idalis Natareno Mamy Wore Ndiaye Fama Cisse Ndoye Josephine Chidmma Okatta Marcia Michelle Oliveira Fortes Andrea Kamille Seda Ayala Alexandra Shar Sarah Thompson

### Grade 10 - Congratulations



Aidara, Amy S Naomi Annette Alves Juliana Benitez Yerely Merecedez Castro Perez Yaitza Nicole Colon-Perez Lexani Zhane Cruz Isabella Andrea De la Cruz Siciliano Lia Alejandra Tavarez Sobalvarro Gabriel Espinal Jackson Tomasa Gutierrez Perez Daniela Fernanda Hernandez Monroy

Jizelle Magali Hernandez

Stephanie Raguel Lopez Socop Felicia Famata Mansfield Marielly Marte Rodriguez Daniela Quino Eva Maria Tejeda Novas Diamond Lanelle Walker

### **Grade 11- Congratulations**



Gianna D'Amico Alexia Docouto Jayden Guzman Betty Jaila Holman Blessing Korso Nina Bintou Oka Ashley Marylin Orozco Jenely Stacy Pena Valera Joharlyn Rojas-Patzan Ana Giceimi Sepulveda Bonilla Allan Tavarez Sobalvarro

### **Grade 12 - Congratulations**

Brianna Chittick Sheily Colato Granados Blanca Ramirez Marroquin Samantha Tamayo Melanie Cristina Tavares Mariana M Taveras



### Nurse's Nook

This week, I wanted to share a project we started with Donors Choose. As many of us are aware, water and water bottles are a "thing." Our vision is to provide all of our students with a reusable water bottle that is BPA free, safe, and non toxic to refill at our filtered water stations daily. This can help to alleviate some of their fatigue, headaches, and thirst. My hope and vision is that when the project becomes fully funded, we will see our students rocking their RINI water bottles.

That link can be found here: <u>Quenching Minds</u>, <u>Nurturing Futures</u>: <u>Reusable Water Bottles for Nursing</u>, <u>Students</u>. We will be running this fundraiser through February 28th.

In addition to this project, I wanted to remind families and students about our Free Flu Vaccine Clinic, which we will be holding at RINI on Thursday, November 16th.

Thank you so much for caring for our students!

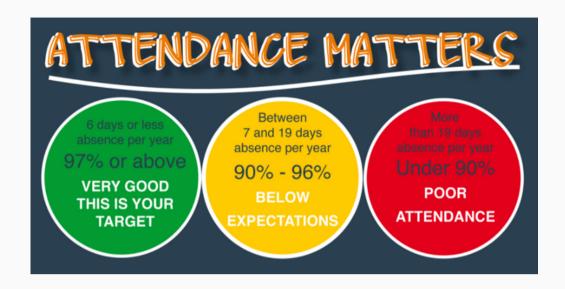
Additionally, November is Epilepsy Awareness Month, as well as Diabetes Awareness Month. Information about epilepsy has been put together by one of our students and can be found at the end of this newsletter. For information about diabetes, including how to manage your risk, please see the official website for the American Diabetes Association.

## **Guidance and Advisory Updates**

**Dress Code Reminders:** Students should be wearing cardigans, nursing jackets, and crewneck sweaters underneath their scrub tops. **Hoodies are not allowed with our uniforms**, and while students can wear coats to school, they are not allowed to wear their coats in class. Coats and jackets should be hung on the backs of chairs while in class. Additionally, we ask that students remember that bubble sandals are not acceptable footwear.

We are going to begin playing music in the cafeteria during lunch. Please let us know what kind of music you'd be interested in hearing.

## **Community**



#### **Medical Insurance**

Do you or members of your family need medical insurance? RINI has connections to various organizations that can help families in need of medical insurance. If you would like more information, please contact Ms. Santana, Director of Nursing at RINI at Jsantana2@rinimc.org.

#### **PVD Connects**

Do you need the internet? Are you a Providence resident?

PVD Connects that will pay 30 dollars a month for internet service. Here is the link. City of Providence PVD Connects - City of Providence (providenceri.gov) This is a need based resource.

#### **Around Town**

Roger Williams Park Zoo Holiday Lights Spectacular - November 24 – December 31, 2023 Open nightly (closed Christmas Eve/Day) 5:00 – 9:30 pm, with last admission at 9:00 pm. Tickets sold online only.

<u>RISD Museum</u> – With a collection of more than 100,000 objects -- ranging from ancient times to the present -- the RISD Museum is a dynamic cultural center offering critically acclaimed exhibitions and lively public programs for all ages. Admission is free on Sundays from 10am - 5pm and Thursday evenings from 5 - 8pm.

## **Additional Information**

# Seizure First Aid

How to help someone having a seizure

1

**STAY** with the person until they are awake and alert after the seizure.

✓Time the seizure ✓Remain calm ✓Check for medical ID



2

Keep the person SAFE.

✓ Move or guide away from harm



3

Turn the person onto their **SIDE** if they are not awake and aware.

√ Keep airway clear

✓ Loosen tight clothes around neck

✓ Put something small and soft under the head



## Call **911** if...

- Seizure lasts longer than 5 minutes
- Person does not return to their usual state
- Person is injured, pregnant, or sick
- Repeated seizures
- First time seizure
- Difficulty breathing
- Seizure occurs in water

Do **NOT** 

- X Do **NOT** restrain.
- X Do **NOT** put any objects in their mouth.
  - ✓ Rescue medicines can be given if prescribed by a health care professional

Learn more: epilepsy.com/firstaid



epilepsy.com

24/7 Helpline: 1-800-332-1000