

WELCOME TO RVHS!

Dear Students and Parents:

It is our pleasure to welcome each of you to River View High School! This is a new and exciting year for students, parents, teachers, and staff. We all wish you the very best as you begin another school year. We are committed to providing an atmosphere in which students can succeed and develop their potential. It is our hope that each student will be challenged to perform at a high academic level, and that every parent will feel welcome at our school. We challenge each of you to accept responsibility for your education and to seize every opportunity made available to you while here.

On behalf of our teachers and staff have a great year!

Sincerely,
Faculty and Staff, River View High School

VISITORS TO THE SCHOOL

The Board of Education encourages parents and other citizens of the district to visit classrooms to observe the work of the schools and to learn what the schools are doing.

To ensure that no unauthorized persons enter buildings, all visitors to schools must report to the high school main office upon entering the building, to receive authorization before visiting elsewhere in the building. All visitors will wear a Visitor's Badge.

STATEMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

River View High School is in existence for the purpose of providing an educational environment for all students in order that they may be given the opportunity to develop, by means of acceptable teaching methods and materials, to the fullest extent of their abilities into knowledgeable, productive, and responsible citizens. This purpose is fulfilled through community and school cooperation that creates an atmosphere in which progress can be achieved.

HANDBOOK REVISIONS

This Student Handbook has been reviewed, revised and adopted by the River View Local Board of Education as board policy. This handbook applies to all River View High School students, including those students 18 years of age and over. Students are reminded that all staff personnel have the authority and are expected to enforce this handbook. Please respond to their directions and suggestions with courtesy.

RIVER VIEW LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION

"...Building educational excellence for tomorrow...today."

RIVER VIEW HIGH SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

"Our mission is to achieve educational excellence and to build productive citizens by teaching students the skills for lifelong learning and success."

RIVER VIEW HIGH SCHOOL'S GUIDING BEHAVIORS

We will...

1. Commit ourselves to ongoing professional development and continuous improvement.
2. Monitor the results of our individual and collective efforts and use evidence of results to guide our continuous improvement.
3. Collaborate in developing instructional strategies, designing methods of assessment, and advancing the vision of the school.
4. Create an inviting classroom environment for students that establish clear expectations, consistent consequences, and specific, articulated academic goals.
5. Identify the essential outcomes for each course and help each student to achieve these outcomes by using a variety of techniques that allow students to demonstrate mastery.
6. Involve parents in the education of their children by keeping parents informed of student progress and by offering suggestions for assisting students.
7. Identify the specific needs of at-risk students and commit ourselves to appropriate intervention.

GRIEVENCE POLICY

It is the policy of the River View Board of Education not to discriminate on the basis of sex in its educational programs, activities, or employment policies as required by Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments. Inquiries regarding compliance with Title IX may be made to Title IX Coordinator, 26496 SR 60 N, Warsaw, OH, Telephone 824-3522. Inquiries may also be made to Director of the Office of Civil Rights, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Washington, D.C.

Visitors - All visitors must register and receive permission at the office. Students absent from their own school are welcome only if they are here as official representatives of their own school. **River View students who wish to bring an out of town guest must receive permission from the Assistant Principal or the Principal at least one week in advance.**

Emergency Medical Forms: - Each student is required to have a completed emergency medical form on file in the attendance office/clinic for each school year. Failure to comply with this requirement will jeopardize the student's ability to attend classes/school.

RELEASE OF DIRECTORY INFORMATION

Directory information is defined as a student's name, address, telephone Listing, date and birthplace, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, date of graduation, awards received, and pictures. This information may be released to the media or other governmental groups as well as student pictures used for promotion of school programs, calendar events and the River View Website.

Anyone not wishing this information to be divulged needs to contact the Guidance Office.

Military recruiters are entitled to receive the name, address and telephone listing of students, unless the parent requests in writing that this information Not be released.

MEDICAL/HEALTH CONCERNS

COMMUNICABLE DISEASE: Parents are responsible to inform the school if their child contracts any one of the childhood communicable diseases such as mumps, whooping cough, chickenpox, etc.

IMMUNIZATIONS: Section 3313.671 of the Ohio Revised Code sets the immunizations standards for all students. Students must be fully immunized within 14 days of the start of the school year. Students not meeting the required immunization deadline will not be allowed to attend school.

BEE & INSECT STINGS/ALLERGIES: In case of bee or insect stings and allergies, the parent is responsible for providing the school with the appropriate bee sting medication and a physician's statement about how the medication is to be administered. According to the ORC 3313.718, students may possess and use an epinephrine auto injector to treat an allergic/anaphylactic reaction. The law requires:

- Acknowledgement that the prescriber has determined that the student is capable of possessing and using the auto injector appropriately and has provided the student with training in the proper use of the auto injector;
- The school has received a backup dose of the anaphylaxis medication; and
- Whenever an auto injector is used, a school employee shall immediately request assistance from an emergency medical service provider.
- Special forms are available in the clinic/attendance office and must

be completed before a student may use or possess an epinephrine auto injector.

School policy allows the emergency administration of epinephrine to an individual, without a specific order, in the event of a severe allergic reaction where the individual is exhibiting potentially life threatening symptoms. Administration of emergency epinephrine requires an immediate call to 911.

MEDICATIONS: All medications must be kept in the clinic/attendance office.

A. **PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS:** The River View Local School District recommends and encourages parents to administer all required medications at home. If it is necessary for students to receive medication during the school day, it will be done in accordance with the following:

1. The school nurse or an appropriate person appointed by the building principal will supervise and secure the proper storage and dispensation of medications. The drug must be received in the container in which it was dispensed by the prescribing physician or others licensed to prescribe medications. A new authorization form must be submitted each school year. A new authorization form must be submitted if any information originally provided changes.
2. The board-approved medication authorization form, available in the clinic/attendance office, must be signed by the prescribing physician and parent before ANY prescription medication can be administered. A new form must be submitted each school year.
3. A new authorization form, signed by the physician and parent/guardian, must be submitted if any of the information originally provided changes.

B. **NON-PRESCRIPTION/OTC (Over-The-Counter) MEDICATIONS**

1. The parent or guardian must provide a written request and permission for the school to administer non-prescription/OTC medications such as Tylenol, Advil, Aleve, cold medicine, etc. A new form must be submitted each school year.
2. All OTC medications must be supplied in their original container by the parent with the exception of generic Tylenol, which will be supplied by the school.

C. **INHALERS:** According to the ORC 3313.716, students may possess and use a metered dose inhaler or a dry powder inhaler to alleviate asthmatic symptoms. The school must have written approval from a physician and parent or guardian. This approval must be more than a simple note; rather it must contain very specific information outlined in the statute. Special forms are available in the clinic and must be completed before a student may possess an inhaler.

STATEMENT REGARDING PREGNANT TEENS

River View High School affirms the right of a pregnant student and the father (if a student) to continue her/his participation in the public school program. As soon as the pregnancy is medically confirmed, the high school recommends that the student consult with a member of the pupil personnel, counselors, or principal to plan her educational program.

With a staff member involved, the student may elect any of the following educational plans or suggest alternatives:

1. She may remain in her present school program, with modifications as necessary, until the birth of her baby is imminent or until her physician states that she is physically able to return to school.
2. She may temporarily withdraw from school and, at school expense, receive homebound instruction from the date of her withdrawal as recommended by her physician until her physician states that she is physically able to return to school.

Note: A GRADS Coordinator is available to assist and meet with students, as needed.

Contract Opportunity - Any student who has a contracted opportunity for a career which may require/cause the student to travel extensively outside the state of Ohio, and may in turn, cause the student to potentially exceed the maximum fourteen (14) day limit for the purpose of granting of credit, may request a formal review by a committee appointed by the superintendent. This request is to be initiated by contacting the building principal, at which time guidelines for any request for review will be made available to the parent or guardian. This request must be completed annually before absences accrue related to the contract opportunity.

Work Permits- The law of the State of Ohio requires all minors to attend school until they become eighteen years of age. There are certain exceptions:

1. Physical inability to attend.
2. Mental inability to benefit from further schooling.
3. Work Permit - Upon becoming eighteen (18) years of age, a student may withdraw from school after, not before; he or she has been issued a work permit and secured employment. Application blanks and information for work may be secured from the high school office.

ABSENCES AND ATTENDANCE

The State of Ohio Department of Education has a stated policy regarding absences from school. Absence from school for any reason other than those listed below and recommended by the State of Ohio Board of Education is not acceptable and will carry disadvantage to the student. It is the student's responsibility to attend school and classes regularly. Attendance is directly related to grades.

Those reasons for "Excused Absence" acceptable by the State of Ohio and the River View High School are:

1. Personal illness.

2. Illness in the immediate family. (Requiring through doctor's orders or parent need, that the student remains at home.)
3. Death in the immediate family.
4. Quarantine.
5. Advanced excuse - (See absentee reporting below)

NOTE: Any student who has an unexcused absence on the day of an extracurricular contest, no matter if it is a partial absence or not, will not be permitted to participate.

ABSENTEE REPORTING (See Missing And Absent Children)

All days missed for any reason other than personal illness or death in family must be approved by the Associate Principal **in advance** or the day will be recorded as an **unexcused absence**.

Example: Days needing advance approval:

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| 1. College Day | 4. Court Ordered Business |
| 2. Needed at home | 5. Family trips |
| 3. Illness in family | 6. Religious activity |
| | 7. County fair show and sale participation |

* Phone calls on the morning of the absence for absence #2 (needed at home) will be considered "in advance". All others must be made prior to the absent day.

* Fair Absences: general care, grooming, and supervision of animals are not considered excused absence.

ABSENTEE REPORTING CONT.

A student will be considered unexcused until a note or phone call has been received from a parent and/or guardian.

Any personal/family illness can be excused up to 5 days per semester, after which all personal/family illnesses must be accompanied by a note from a physician or school nurse. Three consecutive missed days must be accompanied by a note from the physician.

1. If students are excused in advance or reported absent by parent phone calls they need not bring a written note the next day.
2. Students returning without advanced approval (by parent call or Assistant Principal permission) should report to the attendance office with their written excuse.
3. A Parent or Guardian must contact the school on the day of absence. If no contact has been made the student must bring a note the following day with a phone number for verification or the day will be recorded as unexcused.
4. To report student absence, call the attendance office at 824-3524.
5. Absences of 2 or more days - assignments may be requested by calling

824-3524.

Absence Excuses come from parents or guardians, not from students (regardless of age). Exception: Emancipated students may write their excuse.

Special Note Regarding Suspension - Days missed as a result of suspension will be recorded as excused absent days.

Exception: If a long term illness beyond a two week period occurs and "home instruction" is provided, then the attendance period will be adjusted. Long term illness must be identified with a Doctor's excuse.

Caution: Please try not to abuse the limitations set forth for allowable absences.

Professional Appointment - Students are not counted as absent when attending a professional appointment, when the appointment, including travel, does not exceed two hours. Professional appointments include but may not be limited to: doctor appointment, dental appointment, orthodontist, physical therapy, driver's test, and court appearance....The student must bring an appointment card or slip back to school upon returning from the appointment.

Tardiness to School - Any student arriving late to school must report to the attendance office and be marked off the absence list by the attendance secretary. The attendance secretary will issue a tardy slip permitting the student to be admitted to the first period class.

Excessive tardies to school will result in disciplinary actions of after school detention, Extended Detention, Friday School detention, and loss of driving privileges (tardies accumulate over the entire year). The Associate Principal can take appropriate action for excessive tardies, beginning with the 5th Tardy which will result in a detention. Subsequent tardies will result in appropriate discipline as determined by the Associate Principal.

Tardies to Class - In the case of tardies to class, the individual teacher will document the infraction and take appropriate action, as identified in the teacher's classroom discipline plan. Discipline will be issued. Frequent class tardies or late unexcused entries will be referred to the Associate Principal by the teacher for further or necessary disciplinary action.

Excessive Absences and Tardiness

We believe that regular attendance is necessary for progress of the student in school and perhaps even more important in the development of proper habits of punctuality and regularity which is needed and demanded in adult life.

An individual record on all your absences or tardiness will be kept on file in the local office. Excessive absences or tardiness will greatly hinder your progress in school and mar your school record. Remember this record is kept on file in the local office for years in the future and may greatly affect job recommendations later in life.

Attendance is the first thing checked by a potential employer.

Early Dismissals - Early dismissals not covered under the professional appointment provision will be recorded as a 1/2 day absence after every (4) early dismissals. Early dismissals will be issued after 2:15 p.m. Students should use this procedure out of necessity, not convenience.

Excuse From Class (Must be approved by Principal) - Students are excused from class only when they are a part of a planned, scheduled, and teacher supervised meeting or field trip.

Excuse from Study Hall/Activity Period/Enrichment Period - The Study Hall teacher will not issue an excuse unless requested from another teacher in writing. These requests must be secured before the period starts and presented to the teacher in charge. Students wishing to visit the guidance office will obtain a permission slip from the study hall teacher and return it with the Counselor's signature at the close of the conference.

Access To Students: It is the responsibility of the custodial parent(s)/guardian(s) to inform the school in writing if limitations are to be enforced regarding access to student/child during school. This pertains to school visitations and/or the right for pick-up or removal from school or school grounds.

Leaving the School Grounds During the School Day - Permission to leave the school grounds must be obtained from the office. You must present a written request from home or from a teacher in order to get this permission. Students who leave without permission will be marked as an unexcused absence for the portion of the day they miss. In addition, leaving without permission is grounds for suspension. Students should report to the attendance office in the morning so the time of their departure may be recorded on the daily absence list.

Missing And Absent Children
Parent(s)/guardian(s) must notify the schools on the day that a student is absent unless previous notification has been given in accordance with school procedure for excused absences. The principal or his designee is also required to notify a student's parents, custodial parent, guardian, legal custodian or other person responsible for him/her when the student is absent from school. Written notice shall be mailed on the same day the student is absent. Parents or other responsible persons shall provide the school with home addresses, as well as emergency telephone numbers.

MAKE UP WORK

A student who has an excused absence has an opportunity to make up any work missed. The make-up period should complement the number of days missed. (For example: two days excused absence - two days make-up period.) Exception: Special projects that are assigned well in advance of the due date are due when the student returns to school. In the event a student is absent in excess of five days, he/she may at the discretion of the teacher, be given additional make-up time. This would avoid overloading the student just after

his/her illness. Any work missed during unexcused absences cannot be made up and will be recorded as 0. Exception: By the nature of the distinctions between the standard grading system and the point grading system, students being graded on the point system can turn work in which was missed during an unexcused absence and be given one-half credit for the work. This work must be turned in to the teacher within the prescribed time frame. At the end of the make-up period, all incomplete work is recorded as an "I" until complete. An appropriate time table to complete the assignment will be set by the teacher.

Please visit www.rvbears.org to see our full Attendance Policy.

SUSPENSION: THE FIRST THREE DAYS OF OUT OF SCHOOL **SUSPENSION** for the school year (accumulated, NOT for each suspension), students will have the opportunity to make up 100% of their missing work for 100% credit. Any days of Out of School suspension after the initial three days will result in only 50% credit for any missing work.

GRADING POLICY

Please visit www.rvbears.org to view the Grading Policy.

ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY

1. Please go to www.OHSAA.org or see your counselors for a complete explanation of athletic eligibility
2. Grades received the final grading period (not semester averages or yearly Averages) will determine a student athlete's eligibility or ineligibility for the first grading period of the following school year.
3. Changes in athletic eligibility will become effective on the start of the fifth school day after the end of the grading period.
4. Student needs to be passing five (5) units of credit each nine-weeks to be eligible for the following nine weeks, and have a minimum of a 1.0 GPA as required by the Board of Education. **Physical education counts as only one half of a unit for eligibility purposes.**
5. Students are advised to check with the Guidance Office if you are unsure of credit situation.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AND INFORMATION

In order to keep yourself on track to graduate, please discuss your credit situation with your counselors. Graduation requirements of the State of Ohio can be found at www.ode.ohio.gov or from your counselor. In addition to the 20 credits required by the State of Ohio, River View Board of Education also requires the following:

- A. One-half unit of a class from the Family Consumer Science Program
- B. One-half unit of a class from Business/Technology
- C. An additional ½ unit of credit in Business, Technology, Fine Arts, or Foreign Language.

D. Any senior failing a required subject or a subject needed for a credit towards graduation at the end of the first semester, shall be placed on probationary status. They will continue on this status for the remainder of the school year.

E. Any financial expenses connected with commencement can be refunded with the exception of announcements and pictures, thus it becomes the individual's decision whether they should or should not order.

F. The top 10% of the senior class will be figured on only those students who have been enrolled at RVHS for at least two years. However, any student "new" to RVHS will receive recognition at graduation as being included in this group if his or her average falls within the top 10%.

G. Seniors who have not completed twenty-one units of credit or have exceeded maximum absence will not participate in the graduation ceremony. (A reminder to seniors, there will be no after school year make-up permitted.)

H. Seniors who have completed all requirements for graduation, including passage of all sections of the Ohio Graduation Test, may participate in the graduation ceremony.

Seniors who have not passed all sections of the Ohio Graduation Test may participate in the graduation ceremony if the student has participated in remedial strategies and/or programs recommended by the school. A student who needs to pass one OGT test may qualify for an alternative pathway to graduation. See Guidance Department for more information.

The school will hold diplomas for students who have not passed all sections of the Ohio Graduation Test until the necessary sections have been passed.

ACADEMIC DISHONESTY

Academic dishonesty will not be tolerated. Students will redo any assessment that involves academic dishonesty.

Cheating: Cheating can include but is not limited to: possession of unauthorized material, submission of another student's material whether graded or not, false claims or fabricated references, and copying of someone else's exam/quiz or passing answers from a quiz or an exam to another student.

Plagiarism is submitting the words, ideas, images or data from one person as one's own in any academic writing project.

When an incident of cheating and/or plagiarism occurs, the student's parents will receive a letter documenting the incident. A copy of the letter will also go in the student's file. The student, along with a parent/guardian, will meet with the principal and his/her team of teachers. After discussion with the group, the principal has the authority to impose one or more of the following sanctions:

1. The student who is in question of committing any form of academic dishonesty will be mandated to retake the assessment deemed appropriate by the teacher. Refusal to do so will result in an automatic zero for that assessment. Students will complete the assessment on his/her own time under the teacher's set timeline. (i.e. Friday School, after school detention, lunch detention, GAP, etc.). The maximum score a student can receive on a retake due to academic dishonesty will be capped at a 60%.
 2. If discovered a second time, further action will be taken.
 3. Academic dishonesty could result in the dismissal of current members from the National Honor Society. Freshmen and sophomores could be eliminated from consideration for the National Honor Society.
 4. A second offense under the academic dishonesty policy will result in a zero on the assessment given, and a two day out of school suspension without the opportunity for a reassessment. A third offense will result in the following.
 - * Zero on the assessment
 - * Zero credit for the class
 - * Mandatory attendance at summer school in order to recover the credit lost
 - * 3 day out of school suspension
- Note:** Seniors will forfeit the privilege of walking during graduation.
5. The student may be suspended from extracurricular activities.
 6. The student may be suspended in/out of school.
 7. The student may be expelled.

Students may appeal any academic dishonesty charge against them within one week of the charge. The appeal will be presented to the Superintendent and/or his designee.

Students will still be held accountable for the completion of these assignments, and teachers will use this information to guide their instructional practice.

English Department Research Goals

Freshmen

- Complete a research project in the first grading period requiring students to give credit to sources/authors within the project.

Example from a paper:

In his article "Game Theory," Don Ross claims that video games help children with their motor skills.

- Correctly document Internet sources on a works cited page.

Example works cited entry for the article used in the previous example:

Ross, Don. "Game Theory." *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*. Stanford English Department, 21 August 2001. Web. 3 Oct. 2009.

Sophomores

- Complete a research project in the first semester requiring students to give credit to sources/authors within the project (see example above).
- Correctly document book, magazine, newspaper, encyclopedia, and online sources on a works cited page.

Example works cited entry:

Keyes, Daniel. *Flowers for Algernon*. Orlando: Gale, 1994. Print.

- Complete a research project in the second semester using parenthetical citations and a works cited page.

Example from a paper discussing *Flowers for Algernon*:

Charlie Gordon, the main character, says, "If I solve the problem, I bring the whole crew with me" (Keyes 216).

Juniors and Seniors

- Complete at least one full-length, formal research paper following all research guidelines.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

ADDING A CLASS

1. Course requests are finalized in the spring and student schedules will be given to them or mailed home over the summer. Notification of the date for necessary or required schedule change will accompany the schedule cards.
2. If a student adds a class due to a schedule conflict, he/she must make up any work he has missed.
3. If a student adds a class late into the year because he has moved from one ability level to another, he/she must take the grades he earned in the first course with him/her when he/she moves, only from higher level to a lower level.

LATE ENTRY

1. A new student entering River View will be placed in similar classes to those in which he was previously enrolled; the grades from his previous school will be used.
2. Two weeks should be sufficient time for a student to move from one area to another. Any grades that should have been earned after the two-week period will be recorded as "F"s.
3. If a student was enrolled in a course not offered at River View, he will be placed in a similar course and former grades will apply. If similar courses are not available, no credit will be given. (This means a course in progress. A completed course will be accepted.)
4. *Additional late entry* - If a student enters school during the year (has not been attending any school) all missed work will be recorded as "F" with no make-up.

DROPPING A CLASS

1. A student may drop only an elective.
2. A student cannot drop a class if the drop will result in the student having two study halls. If a student is failing an elective course, he may choose to drop the course after a conference with parents, teachers, and counselors.
3. A drop of a year course must be completed at the end of the 6th week of the first semester. Students will have to make up work missed in the class that is added to replace the dropped course. A drop of a semester course must be completed prior to the end of the 4th week of the semester.
4. **If a drop is made after the above stated deadlines, the student will receive an "F" for the course and it will be recorded on his transcript.**

CHANGING CLASS LEVEL

Students may change from a higher level class to a lower level class after the drop date with parent, teacher, and counselor approval. This schedule change must not impact other classes. For example, a student may go from College Prep 9 to General English 9 at any time during the school year as long as parents, teachers, and counselors approve. The transcript will reflect the lower class final grade.

STUDY HALL

Students are not permitted to carry more than ONE study hall at any given time during the year. Students are encouraged to use the Enrichment Period to complete assignments and homework.

ACADEMIC AWARDS

Honors Diploma

The requirements for this award are listed at www.ode.ohio.gov or available from your guidance counselor.

PRESIDENT’S AWARD for EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE

The purpose of this award is to recognize academic success in the classroom. To be eligible for the President’s Award for Educational Excellence at River View High School, students must meet the requirements in Category A and B.
A. GRADE POINT AVERAGE: Students are to earn a grade point average of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale; the grade point will be calculated through the first semester of the senior year.

B. STANDARDIZED ACHIEVEMENT TEST: Achievement in the 85th percentile or higher in math or reading on the ACT or SAT is required.

RIVER VIEW HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC RECOGNITION REQUIREMENTS revised 6/2/16

It is the intent of the River View High School faculty and administration to recognize and honor students who have achieved exemplary academic records during the school year. The following represents the criteria and standards for students to qualify for academic recognition for the school year:

1. A student must meet a minimum of a 3.5 GPA for **each** of the first 3 grading periods and the first semester exams. GPA is calculated using the following formula:

The sum of the (credit value x point value) for each course divided by the sum of the credit values. (Letter grade values are as follows A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1 and I or F=0) If course has weighted points,(ie. CCP core classes) the weights will be A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2 and I or F=0.

However, for this recognition, the credit value for each course will be (1). See example below

<u>Academic Awards Calculation</u>				<u>Honor & Merit Roll, Transcript GPA Calculation</u>			
<u>Grade</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Point</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Credit</u>	<u>Point</u>	<u>Total</u>
A	1	X 4	= 4	A	1	X 4	= 4
B	1	X 3	= 3	B	1	X 3	= 3
B	1	X 3	= 3	B	1	X 3	= 3
A	1	X 4	= 4	A	1	X 4	= 4
B	1	X 3	= 3	B	1	X 3	= 3
A	.5	X 4	= 2	A	1	X 4	= 4
			5.5				6
			19				21
			21/6 = 3.5				19/5.5 = 3.45

2. A different recognition is made for students who maintain all A's for each of the first 3 grading periods and exams.
3. College Credit Plus Students will use the following guidelines:
 1. Student GPAs are determined using final grades from fall semester classes from colleges on semesters or final grades from both fall and winter quarters from schools on a quarter system.
 2. Students must have a 3.5 GPA from averaged grades.
 3. Exams are not considered for College Credit Plus students.
 4. Part-time College Credit Plus students have their college grades averaged with nine-week grades from River View to determine eligibility.
4. All final grades to be considered for recognition will be computed by the River View High School Guidance Department and submitted to the principal for final review and confirmation.

STANDARD STUDENT ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT RECOGNITION AWARDS

First year award winners will receive a **certificate** of achievement.

First year with a 4.0 winners will receive a **special 4.0 certificate** of achievement.

Second year award winners will receive an "**Academic Letter**".

Second year with a 4.0 winners will also receive a "**4.0 Letter.**"

Third year award winners will receive a **pin** for their letter.

Third year with a 4.0 winners will receive a "**4.0 Letter**".

Fourth year award winners will receive a **plaque**.

Fourth year with a 4.0 winners will receive a **pen/pencil set**.

Awards will be consistent regardless of when students accomplish and meet the established criteria. Example: consecutive years of achievement are not required to be eligible for additional awards. Students will be recognized and receive their awards at an evening recognition program prior to the conclusion of the school year.

HONOR ROLL AND MERIT ROLL REQUIREMENTS

1. All students will be included.
2. All subjects will be included and granted the exact credit they are worth.
3. An incomplete, "D", or "F" on a report card shall disqualify a student for that grading period.
4. Weighted grades are to be used for AP classes, College Credit Plus and Dual Enrollment classes.
5. Students receiving grades which average 3.5+ shall qualify for the Honor Roll.
6. A student receiving grades which average 3.0 to 3.49 shall qualify for the Merit Roll.

STUDENT SERVICES

Cafeteria - The lunch periods will operate as a closed noon period. While one-third of the student body is eating lunch, the other two-thirds will be in class. This makes it necessary that all students remain in the cafeteria area during their lunch period. In addition to the regular printed menu which features a choice of two different entrée's daily besides fruit, vegetable and milk for one low price, students may also purchase items such as salads, or pizza or a variety of other food items. There are various serving lines and students need to look to see what is available each and every day.

Vending Machines - These machines are located at the main entrance. Students should discard all wrappers, cans, etc. in the trash receptacles in the cafeteria. Special events requiring food may be approved in advance by the Assistant Principal or Principal. Bottled water is available to students in vending machines.

First Aid - The best first aid is prevention. In the school shop, the gym, and the laboratory practice every safety rule, and use every safety device to resist accidents. In the event of any injury, it should be reported to the office or clinic at once. If the injury is serious, the parent and a physician will be called. State laws do not permit school to assume any liability or responsibility for accidents. Accident insurance is available for all students.

School Insurance - The school is in no way liable to medical expenses incurred from an accidental injury while in attendance or participation in any of the school sponsored activities.

School insurance may be purchased by parents as an aid in helping to reduce expenses that may occur. Application forms will be sent home the first day of school.

A student planning to participate in athletics must have school accident insurance or have a policy covering them for athletic injuries. Details may be secured from the coach.

"Important" - Claims for school insurance must be filed within 60 days of the accident. Do not wait for bills. They can be forwarded as you receive them.

"Important" - School insurance is a secondary policy! This means if any other policy covers you or if another party is liable for the injury the school insurance will not pay.

Signs, Sales, Display of Posters, Literature, Etc.

Any display or distribution of materials such as signs, posters, or literature is prohibited without advanced approval by either the building principal or associate principal. The same restriction applies to all sales items.

CARE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY

Surveillance Cameras (revised 6/2016)

For student safety and welfare, video surveillance cameras are placed throughout the building and school grounds and on buses. Actions recorded on these cameras may be used as evidence in disciplinary action.

Any attempt to damage or interfere with the function of these devices will result in disciplinary action by the school and possible referral to local law enforcement agencies.

Lockers: Lockers are the property of the school and loaned to the student for school related materials. See the "Code of Student Conduct" as to search and seizure. The Guidance Office issues lockers to individual students. Doors should be closed carefully and quietly--not slammed shut! Students should never leave money or valuable property in a locker. Locker trips during class time are permitted only with written permission from the assigned teacher.

NOTE:

1. Students may go to lockers at the end of each period.
2. The school reserves the right to inspect the contents of all lockers in the school building. Please use locker for school related materials only.
3. To discourage misuse of locker storage, a general inspection of contents by law enforcement officials may be conducted without advance notice.
4. Tampering with other students' locks or locker will result in disciplinary action.

Locks: All locks shall be those supplied by the school and will be loaned to the students free of charge unless the locks are not returned at the close of the school year. A fee of \$7.00 will be charged for each lost lock. All students must use lockers for book storage. For student protection, all lockers must have a school-issued lock.

Textbooks: Books are the property of the Board of Education. They are loaned to the student free of charge. A student is responsible for the care of the free textbooks issued to him. In case of damage or loss, he must pay the amount due before another book can be issued to him. All books are to be covered. This will help ensure the life of each book. These guidelines include the Student Planner Handbooks.

RIVER VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT **CODE OF STUDENT CONDUCT**

This code of conduct is in effect while students are under the authority of school personnel or involved in any school activity. This includes but is not limited to the school buses and property under the control of school authorities, and while at interscholastic competitions, extracurricular events, or other school activities or programs.

In addition, this code of conduct includes:

1. Misconduct by a student that occurs off school district property but is connected to activities or incidents that have occurred on school district property; and

2. Misconduct by a student that, regardless of where it occurs, is directed at a district official or employee or the property of an official or employee.

It is the intent of the River View Board of Education to provide an effective learning environment in the River View Schools. A major factor in establishing this learning environment is an atmosphere of good order and discipline.

Students are expected to conduct themselves in such a way that they respect and consider the rights of others. Students of the district must conform with school regulations and accept directions from authorized school personnel. The board has "zero tolerance" of violent, disruptive or inappropriate behavior by its students.

PART I

Violation of the code of conduct may result in verbal or written warning or reprimand, referral to the guidance counselor, parental contact or conference, detention, in-school suspension, Friday school, community service, emergency removal, referral to law enforcement agencies, suspension or expulsion

VANDALISM AND/OR DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY - Damage that is deliberate, due to carelessness, or by accident must be paid for by the individual found responsible. Such damage responsibility shall be enforced either on school or private property, on school grounds, or during school activities, functions, or events off school grounds.

THEFT - A student shall not cause or attempt to take into possession the public property or equipment of the school district or the personal property of any other person, on school property or at any school sponsored activity.

DISRUPTION OF SCHOOL - A student shall not by use of violence, force, coercion, threat, harassment, insubordination, or repeated incorrigibility, cause disruption or obstruction to the educational process, including all curricular and extra-curricular activities.

TOBACCO, NARCOTICS, ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, DRUGS AND SUBSTANCES OF ABUSE - A student shall not possess, use, transmit, conceal, or have shown evidence of consumption of any alcoholic beverage, dangerous drug, narcotic or mind altering substance. This includes look-alikes or substitutes.

No student shall be permitted to smoke or use tobacco for any reason on school premises, on school buses, or while under jurisdiction of the school. This also includes evening activities and field trips as well as school hours. Any student with tobacco will receive the same disciplinary action as that for smoking.

E-Cigarettes/Vaporizers: E-Cigarettes and Vaporizers will be considered as a Tobacco product and will be treated as such under the River View High School Student Handbook/Code of Conduct.

ASSAULT/MENACING - A student shall not cause physical injury or behave in such a way that could threaten to cause physical injury to school staff, other students, or visitors, while under the jurisdiction of the school. This includes verbal or written threats to another person's personal property or relatives.

UNAUTHORIZED BODILY CONTACT - The act of physically touching or hitting, or making physical threats to a student or employee of the school system or any other person while on school property or while attending a school event.

DANGEROUS WEAPONS AND INSTRUMENTS - A student shall not possess, handle, transmit, or conceal any object that might be considered a dangerous weapon or instrument of violence.

INSUBORDINATION - A student shall not disregard or refuse to obey reasonable directions or requests by authorized school personnel.

FALSE ALARMS - No student shall initiate a fire alarm or report warning of a fire, impending bomb, or other catastrophe without cause.

UNAUTHORIZED USE OF FIRE - No student shall willfully set fire or attempt to set fire to any property of the Board of Education of the River View School District.

SHAKEDOWN AND STRONG ARM - No student shall extort, borrow, or attempt to borrow anything of value from a person on school property, while on school property, in a school vehicle, or at a school sponsored activity, unless both parties enter into the agreement freely without the presence of either an implied or expressed threat.

GAMBLING - No student shall engage in the act of gambling for money or valuables on school grounds or at school sponsored activities.

PROFANITY AND/OR OBSCENE LANGUAGE - A student shall not use profanity or obscene language, either written or verbally, toward a staff member, another student or sporadically. This includes all use of profanity, even if not directed towards anyone. Included in this is the use of obscene gestures, signs, pictures, or publications. In order to maintain a proper student/teacher relationship, the student shall not use profanity towards a staff member after school hours.

CONTINUED CLASS OR ACTIVITY DISRUPTION - No student shall repeatedly be involved in actions which disrupt the educational progress in a classroom, activity, or other organized functions of the school.

DISRESPECT - No student willfully intimidates, insults, or in any other manner abuses verbally or in writing any member of the school staff or student body.

FRIGHTENING, DEGRADING, or DISGRACEFUL ACTS: A student shall not engage in or take part in any act which frightens, degrades, disgraces another person by written, verbal, physical, or gestural means.

DISTRIBUTION OF UNAUTHORIZED PRINTED MATERIALS - Distribution of printed materials by students must conform to the Board of Education Guidelines established in Board policy.

FORGERY - No student shall falsify the name of another person, falsify times, dates, grades, addresses, or other information on school forms or correspondence directed to the school.

TRUANCY - Students truant from school all or part of a day are subject to suspension or other disciplinary action. This includes unexcused absence from study hall, class, or any other properly assigned activity.

LOITERING - No student shall willfully remain on school premises at unauthorized times in such a manner as to cause disruption to an activity or function or pose a threat to the safety and well-being of a student or disrupt the educational process.

Harassment of School Personnel: A student shall not harass school personnel. The following list is not intended to be exhaustive, but rather to give examples of various types of harassment covered by this code: verbal abuse, physical abuse, vandalism, destruction of property, or any other disruptive behavior.

Harassment: The School believes that every individual deserves to be able to come to school without fear of demeaning remarks or actions. The harassment of other students or members of the staff, or any other individuals is not permitted. This includes any speech or action that creates a hostile, intimidating, or offensive learning environment. Conduct constituting harassment may take different forms, including but not limited to the following:

SEXUAL HARASSMENT

A. Verbal:

The making of written or verbal sexual innuendoes, suggestive comments, jokes of a sexual nature, sexual propositions, or threats to a fellow student, staff member, or other person associated with the District.

B. Nonverbal:

Causing the placement of sexually suggestive objects, pictures, or graphic commentaries in the school environment or the making of sexually suggestive or insulting gestures, sounds, leering, whistling, and the like to a fellow student, staff members, or other person associated with the District.

C. Physical Contact:

Threatening or causing unwanted touching, contact, or attempts at same, including patting, pinching, pushing the body, or coerced sexual intercourse, with a fellow student, staff member, or other person associated with the District.

D. Dating Violence:

“Dating violence” is defined as “a pattern of behavior where a person uses or threatens physical, sexual, verbal, or emotional abuse to control the person’s dating partner.”

A “dating partner” is “any person, regardless of gender, involved in an intimate relationship with another person primarily characterized by the expectation of affectionate involvement whether casual, serious, or long-term.”

Gender/Ethnic/Religious/Racial/Disability Harassment

A. Verbal:

1. Written or oral innuendoes, comments, jokes, insults, threats, or disparaging remarks concerning a person’s gender, national origin, religious beliefs, etc., toward a

fellow student, staff member, or other person associated with the District.

2. Conducting a "campaign of silence" toward a fellow student, staff member, or person associated with the District by refusing to have any form of social interaction with the person.

B. Nonverbal:

Placing objects, pictures, or graphic commentaries in the school environment or making insulting or threatening gestures toward a fellow member or other person associated with the District.

C. Physical:

Any intimidating or disparaging action such as hitting, hissing, or spitting on a fellow student, staff member, or other person associated with the District.

Any student who believes that she/he is the victim of any of the above actions or has observed such actions taken by another student, staff member, or other person associated with the District should make contact with an administrator, teacher, or guidance counselor.

The student may make contact either by a written report or by telephone or personal visit. During this contact, the reporting student should provide the name of the person(s) whom she/he believes to be responsible for the harassment and the nature of the harassing incident(s). A written summary of each such report will be prepared promptly and a copy forwarded to the principal.

Each report shall be investigated in a timely and confidential manner.

While a charge is under investigation, no information will be released to anyone who is not involved with the investigation, except as may be required by law or in the context of a legal or administrative proceeding. No one involved is to discuss the subject outside of the investigation.

If the investigation reveals that the complaint is valid, the appropriate remedial and/or disciplinary action will be taken promptly to prevent the continuance of the harassment or its recurrence. Given the nature of harassing behavior, the school recognizes that false accusations can have serious effects on innocent individuals.

Therefore, all students are expected to act responsibly, honestly, and with the utmost candor whenever they present harassment allegations or charges.

Some forms of sexual harassment of a student by another student may be considered a form of child abuse that will require that the student-abuser be reported to proper authorities.

Under no circumstances will the School threaten or retaliate against anyone who raises or files a harassment complaint.

HAZING AND BULLYING

Hazing means doing any act or coercing another, including the victim, to do any act of intimidation or harassment to any student or other organization that

causes or creates a substantial risk of causing mental or physical harm to any person.

Bullying is an intentional written, verbal or physical act that a student has exhibited toward another particular student more than once, and the behavior causes either mental or physical harm to the other student and is sufficiently severe, persistent or pervasive that it creates an intimidating, threatening or abusive educational environment for the other student.

Permission, consent or assumption of risk by an individual subjected to hazing and/or bullying does not lessen the prohibition contained in this policy.

Cyber Bullying: Prohibited activities of any type including those activities engaged in via computer and/or any electronic devices are inconsistent with the educational process and are prohibited at all times. No administrator, teacher or other employee of the District shall encourage, permit, condone, or tolerate any hazing and/or bullying activities. No student, including leaders of student organizations may plan, encourage or engage in any hazing and/or bullying. Administrators, teachers and all other District employees are particularly alert to possible conditions, circumstances or events that might include hazing and/or bullying. If hazing and/or bullying or planned hazing and/or bullying is discovered, involved students are informed by the discovering District employee of the prohibition contained in this policy and are required to end all hazing and/or bullying immediately. All hazing and/or bullying incidents are reported immediately to the Superintendent and the appropriate discipline is administered.

PART II

The River View Board of Education recognizes there are minor behavior infractions which can lead to undesirable conduct if repeated continually and can lead to disruption of the educational process.

Examples of such minor infractions, while not all inclusive, are the following:

1. Tardiness
 2. In any area of the building while classes are in session without a permission slip authorized by the teacher or school official.
 3. Unauthorized talking or disturbance in class, study hall, or special program.
 4. Refusal to carry out a reasonable request of a staff member.
 5. Disrespect
 6. Being unprepared for class.
 7. Misconduct in assemblies, halls, cafeteria, restrooms, etc.
 8. Car and parking lot violations.
 9. Inappropriate dress/appearance.
 10. Inappropriate girl/boy relationship. (Only Casual hand holding permitted)
- Infractions of this nature are normally dealt with through the demerit system as outlined below, but also may be subject to other disciplinary measures including Detention, Friday School, Assignment to Alternative School (if age appropriate), Suspensions (in-school, class, or out), Emergency Removal, or Expulsion.

Demerit System

A demerit is a written notice to the student that a minor behavior infraction has occurred. With the first through the fourth demerit there is no disciplinary action taken. The student is encouraged to talk with the teacher(s) concerning the demerit(s). A fifth demerit will result in an after-school detention.

A demerit is considered "active" for the ENTIRE school year.

Demerit System

- A. Tardy
- B. Disturbance (Unauthorized talking or disturbance in class, or, study hall.)
- C. Disregarding Rules
- D. Sleeping in class
- E. Off task
- F. Unprepared for class
- G. Dress code violation
- H. Inappropriate boy/girl relationship

DEMERIT SCALE

- 5= 1 Hour After-School Detention
- 10= Friday School
- 15= Friday School
- 20= 3 Day out of School Suspension

PART III

SEARCH AND SEIZURE

It shall be made clear to students that lockers are the property of the school. Therefore, a general search of lockers and its contents are subject to random search at any time without regard to whether there is reasonable suspicion that any locker or its contents contain evidence of a violation of criminal statute or a school rule.

Students shall not use lockers or property in such a way to interfere with school discipline or the normal operation of the school.

Locks are to prevent theft, not to prevent searches. The School reserves the right not to return items, which have been confiscated.

If a school official believes that an individual has on his person or property, a weapon or substance dangerous to persons or property, then the official has the right to search and seize. If there is suspicion that the person is concealing evidence of a crime, ordinarily the case shall be turned over to police authorities.

NOTICE OF SEARCH OF STUDENT MOTOR VEHICLE

Motor Vehicles driven by students to school and parked on school property are subject to random search by dogs, which are trained to detect the presence of drugs. These searches may be conducted without regard to whether there is reasonable suspicion that any motor vehicle or its contents contain evidence or a violation of a criminal statute or school rule.

Operation of a Motor Vehicle

Students operating a motor vehicle recklessly will incur negative consequences imposed by the River High School Administration.

STUDENT CARS AND PARKING

Students may drive cars to school as long as they observe safe rules of operation and follow school regulations.

1. All cars that will be driven to school will be registered with the office at the beginning of the school year.
2. Cars are to be parked in the student parking area provided, upon arrival at school. All cars should be locked. Students are not permitted to remain in parked cars.
3. Students are not permitted to park in areas designated for Junior High faculty and staff.
4. The cars are not to be used for any purpose during the school day.
5. Cars will be operated in a safe manner entering and leaving the school property.
6. When a student registers his car or cycle, he must display a school sticker. (\$2.00 fee is cost of hanger).
7. Do not drive or park your car on any grass area on the lot.
8. Motorcycle Parking - Park on concrete slab.
9. Any car without a sticker must be registered on a daily basis.
10. Students are not to return to any vehicle in the parking lot once the school day has started unless the student leaves the school as part of a work study program or has an authorized early dismissal from school.
11. Students are expected to leave the parking lot once they have arrived at their car at the end of the school day.

PARKING

One of the requirements for obtaining the privilege to park at River View High School is to have maintained an adequate attendance record during the previous school year. **Students who have been absent for more than 15 days could have their driving privileges revoked. Also, students who have a parking permit for the present school year could lose their permit for the remainder of the school year if they exceed the 15-day limit at any point during the year.** However, any absence due to illness for which a doctor's written verification is obtained will not be counted in this total. Students who

would like to apply for a parking permit for the next year should bring this verification to the ATTENDANCE Office by the end of May.

SPECIAL NOTE: Students of compulsory school age who have been absent without legitimate excuse, as approved by the school personnel, for 10 consecutive days, or a total of at least 15 days during a semester, with appropriate hearing and notification procedure, shall be reported to the Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles for DENIAL OF DRIVING PRIVILEGES.

A. The procedure for obtaining school parking permit:

1. Students must have valid license.
2. Pick up registration form in the assistant principal's office. Have parent fill out information, sign and return to the assistant principal's office. Students MUST have proof of insurance on vehicle(s) that they drive to school.
3. A parking permit will be issued and must hang on the rear view mirror.
4. Price of new parking permits is \$2.00 each. Renewals are \$1.00

STUDENT PARKING LOT PROCEDURES

After School Pick Up - Please have parents or person coming after you park in the row along Route 60.

Exiting the parking lot - All cars must exit the front lot entrance farthest from the high school. Two lanes will be exiting. The left hand lane must turn south on S.R. 60 and the right hand lane must turn north on S.R. 60.

Teacher's Lot - Students are not permitted to use the teacher's parking lot or to cut through the teacher's parking lot before or after school.

Violation of any of the above rules can result in a loss of the privilege of driving to school.

Transportation other than Bus - All students are to use the front or north entrance parking lot when being picked up after school. Upon arrival, students are not permitted to remain in parked cars.

INTERROGATION

Interrogation of students by school officials is authorized concerning misconduct or crimes which may have occurred relating to the school day or school functions or activities. Such interrogations may be conducted for the purpose of maintaining an orderly school operation, protecting health and safety of students and staff, or determining the presence of dangerous weapons or other prohibited material.

In Criminal Investigation, police should secure permission from school officials before interrogation during school hours. Parents shall be notified, if possible, prior to the interrogation. In all cases a school official will be in attendance.

WRITTEN, VERBAL AND SYMBOLIC EXPRESSION

Students who edit, publish, or distribute written material at school must assume responsibility for said material and may be subject to discipline for breach of reasonable standards of journalism, such as libel, obscenity, or intentional distortion of facts. Authorship shall be disclosed and opinion shall be identified as such.

Activities of expression that are materially and substantially disruptive of the educational processes of the school and discipline of the school shall be punishable by any of the authorized disciplinary measures approved by the Board of Education.

PART IV

APPLICATION OF THE CODE - BOARD OF EDUCATION POLICY CONCERNING SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION IS POSTED IN OFFICE AND EACH CLASSROOM. COPIES ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.

Jurisdiction: This code and its provisions shall be applicable both during regularly scheduled school hours as well as at other times and places, including but not limited to school sponsored events, field trips, athletic and music functions and similar activities, where appropriate public school administrators have jurisdiction over students.

School Activity Related to Disciplinary Action: Students who have been suspended or expelled from school shall not be eligible to participate in or attend any school functions for the duration of the suspension or expulsion. This applies to any assignment to the Alternative School. An expelled student will not receive any credit or participate in any school function during the expulsion.

FRIDAY SCHOOL

Friday School is an alternative disciplinary measure for students who have violated rules that are harmful to their own educational process. Students who receive Friday School as punishment will be required to attend school on Friday evening from 2:40-5:40. Friday School serves as an effective form of discipline while at the same time enables students who have violated school policy to stay in the classroom and not miss classroom work. Students placed in Friday School will be subject to the same rules, regulations, and consequences that govern a regular school day. If a student violates these rules or fails to attend an assigned Friday School, he or she will be subject to further disciplinary action. Failure to attend a scheduled Friday School without a Physician's note may result in a one-day external suspension on the first offense. A two-day suspension will be issued on the 2nd violation and a three-day suspension will be issued on the 3rd violation.

Friday School is an alternative to suspension and attendance is therefore an opportunity for the students to continue their education. Any student who misbehaves will receive a three-day external suspension.

OUT OF SCHOOL SUSPENSION - The following general guidelines will be followed. However, adjustments may be made by the Assistant Principal or Principal, dependent upon the situation.

1st Suspension - 1 - 5 days

2nd Suspension - 5 days

3rd Suspension - 10 days and unruly charges may be filed in juvenile court

4th Suspension - 10 days with recommendation for expulsion

Note: Expulsion may result in the loss of credit for courses being taken at River View High School, the Coshocton County Career Center, or at any college or university, whether under the Secondary Post Enrollment Option or at the student's own expense .

In addition, students holding elected or appointed positions (activity or club officers, student council members, cheerleaders, etc.) may be removed from office or lose the position on the first offense for the remainder of the school year. The second offense will disqualify the student for office or position for the remainder of the student's school career in River View Schools. Also, any student interested in any sport should check the athletic policy guidelines for eligibility and allowable conduct.

Conduct violations such as false alarms; arson; possession or use of a weapon; having, using, or providing another student with alcoholic beverages or dangerous drugs, narcotics or mind-altering substance or substances indicated to be such are considered major enough violation of school policy that a recommendation for expulsion would result on the first offense.

Note: See first offense option for chemical/substance abuse.

A student may be suspended by the Principal/Assistant Principal up to ten (10) days by law. Recommendation for expulsion would be appropriate for longer disciplinary action.

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL

Students attending the alternative school are NOT permitted to attend River View High School Events/Activities unless permission is granted by the building Principal.

Any student who is placed at the alternative school and arrangements can't be made to attend, that student will be suspended out of school and those days will be considered unexcused absences.

The Coshocton County Career Center is an extension of our school program; therefore, students who elect to attend the career center are subject to disciplinary action based upon the Student Code of Conduct of either the River View High School and/or the Coshocton County Career Center. Consequently, conduct and/or involvement in any activity that may or does result in

disciplinary action by one school may be grounds for similar disciplinary action by the other school. Students who are suspended or expelled may not be present on school property, participate or attend any school activities or contests, or be present at activities or on property controlled by the school.

Hall Conduct - Hall conduct should be very much like that which is approved on a busy sidewalk. Keep to the right and avoid jostling, running, shouting, and walking hand-in-hand or arm-in-arm. To assist in relieving crowded stair conditions and to provide additional safety precautions, students are to move to the right side of the stairway for ascending and descending purposes. Teachers will judge the propriety of conduct. Please accept suggestions from them courteously. Students are not to stand at the classroom door waiting for the bell.

ASSEMBLY EXPECTATIONS

Assemblies and meetings are held throughout the school year for the benefit of the student body. It is expected that any student attending any special program or meeting will observe the following rules:

1. Sit up, watch and listen.
2. Be quiet while others are performing or speaking.
3. Applaud to show appreciation - don't whistle, shout, or stomp feet.
4. Do not throw paper or other objects.
5. Do not take food or drink of any kind into gym or auditorium.
6. Show respect to the presenters at all times.
7. Do not leave your seat until instructed to do so.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER

Substitute teachers are guests in our building and the student body is to act accordingly. Students are to render any substitute teacher the same respect -- shown a regular teacher. Failure to comply with substitute teacher will result in disciplinary action.

Book Bags - Book Bags are to be left in the student's locker. They are not to be used to carry books from class to class. Book bags are considered any item used to transport books.

Hall and Restroom Area - (*During class time*) No one is to be in the halls or restroom without an excuse slip from the responsible teacher. These excuses are to be given in extreme cases. (*During lunch time*) The restrooms and halls, other than the lunchroom area, are closed to all students without passes (No exceptions). Teachers are asked to limit passes to one at a time.

Lunch Periods 4, 5, and 6 - Students are to remain in the cafeteria area during their lunch periods. No loitering in the candy machine and phone area. (During warm weather, the determination of students going outside will be based on cleanliness of cafeteria and appropriate student behavior.)

Student Relations - Boys conduct themselves as gentlemen and girls as ladies. We are courteous and considerate and show our respect for one another. Casual

hand-holding only is not considered being over-attentive. Kissing, hugging, or caressing of any nature is considered being over attentive.

STUDENT DRESS CODE

The school believes that part of its responsibility is to educate students to the restrictions which may be placed upon them by future employers as they prepare to enter the world of work upon graduation. The school believes also that proper dress and grooming are essential to social acceptance. Therefore the following student dress guide is intended to help students determine acceptable dress and grooming habits for the school setting.

If any student has a question on the acceptability of any dress item, the student should check with the Assistant Principal or Principal prior to wearing it to school. Individuals coming to school wearing unacceptable attire will not be permitted to attend class. This decision will be made by the building Principal or Assistant Principal.

- All students must wear shoes.
- Hats or caps (head coverings) are not to be worn in the building. (Shop area excluded.)
- Hair is to be clean and reasonably well groomed. Unkept hair is not acceptable.
- Neatly trimmed and well-groomed facial hair is acceptable.
- See-through clothing is not to be worn without under or outer clothing preventing over-exposure.
- **Warm Weather Clothing** - Sleeveless tops will be permitted only if the straps are 2 inches in width or when worn under a dress or shirt with sleeves. NO Muscle shirts! Tube tops are not acceptable unless worn as an undergarment with additional covering. All straps must be two (2) inch minimum in width. String or spaghetti type straps are not acceptable.
- Students are not to wear exposed midriff clothing. All shirts, blouses, or tops must have the capability to be tucked in at the waist. The student's back and sides should be covered. Halter tops are not allowed.
- Dresses, skorts and shorts are to be of reasonable length. A general guideline regarding **shortness will be fingertip length**.
- Pants need to be at the waist or sitting on the hips at all times and will not have any writing or holes, which are inappropriate for an educational environment. **Any holes must be covered and at finger tip length or below.**
- **Coats** - Due to the fluctuating temperatures in the building, students are allowed to wear coats or jackets during the day. Sweaters or sweatshirts would be preferred, but coats or jackets may be worn. If asked to remove the coat or jacket by a staff member, students are expected to comply to the request.
- Generally, students should not wear clothing accepted by the community as being appropriate only for the opposite sex.

- Wallet chains, chains on clothing/belts, and spiked jewelry/clothing are not permitted.

Acceptable clothing will be based on the following guidelines:(1) Proper coverage; (2) Adequate support; and (3) Reasonable appearance. Students are reminded that the safety factor receives prime consideration in all classes. For example: In shop areas the teacher can forbid certain types of clothing and jewelry.

THE BUILDING PRINCIPAL WILL DETERMINE DECISIONS AS TO ACCEPTABILITY. THE TEACHING STAFF WILL ENFORCE DRESS GUIDELINES. YOU WILL BE EXPECTED TO COMPLY WITH THEIR DIRECTIONS.

Deviation from acceptable dress will be handled in the following manner; the student will not be permitted to attend class until necessary corrections have been made. Any missed classes will be considered an unexcused absence. Repeated violations will be a suspension offense.

Proper Attire and Appearance at Public Appearances

For students to earn the privilege of representing River View High School in public appearances (i.e. areas of music, school-sponsored field trips, school athletics, school delegates, etc.) they assume the responsibility of positive leadership.

Good taste should always be used in the choice of clothing, and care should be taken in your personal appearance. At all times you should be neat and clean when attending school. People do judge you by the way you dress and appear. These students will at all times conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen and will have personal grooming and attire for the occasion.

Students insisting on non-conventional personal grooming, behavior, and attire will forfeit their privilege of participation. Prom attire should follow the school dress code unless otherwise posted. Generally, spaghetti straps and exposed backs are acceptable for Prom Dresses.

Electronic Devices

The River View Local School District recognizes and values the use of technology and encourages students to use it in a responsible and respectful manner as well as abide by the following guidelines. While using any electronic device the Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) applies.

1. Cell phones, iPods and other devices may be used until 7:43 a.m., and then all devices must be turned off and out of sight, unless a staff member directs you otherwise. (i.e.) Having the student put their cell phone/electronic device on their desk at the beginning of class.
2. At no time will a cell phone, camera or any recording device be used in any restrooms, shower areas, the gym locker rooms, the varsity

locker rooms or any dressing/changing areas located in the River View Local School District or in these same designated areas at any school related function and/or event.

In addition, the following will apply:

1. Cell phones, iPods, and other electronic devices **may be used** in study halls and in the cafeteria during lunch, once the student has sat down. Use of cell phones/electronic devices is limited to listening to music and being on educational websites. Any site used for personal use (i.e.) Facebook, SnapChat, Instagram, and/or Twitter is prohibited. **Making phone calls/texting is not permitted!**
2. Cell phones and other communication devices **may not** be used while walking in the hallways.

When listening to any form of music the following restrictions apply:

1. The earphones/earpiece must be plugged into the device.
2. One, and only one, earphone/earpiece may be worn at a time.
3. The music being played must not be loud enough to be heard by another person.

Inappropriate use:

1. Excessive tardiness to class may result in loss of electronic privileges.
2. Failure to comply with a staff member's demands regarding the use of a cell phone or other electronic device is deemed to be insubordination.
3. No student is permitted to take pictures, video, or any voice recordings of any other student or staff member without that person's consent. Taking such a picture, video, or recording is a major offense of the Code of Conduct for Insubordination and may result in further discipline. Any device used to take a picture, video, or recording may be confiscated by school administration and/or be turned over to the proper authorities.
4. If a student contacts a parent via a cell phone because he/she does not feel well, and then the parent comes to school to pick the student up, this will not be a legitimate absence. A student **MUST** see the school nurse if he/she is not feeling well, and the nurse will determine whether or not the student should go home. Any attempt to bypass the nurse and have the parent come to school to pick up the student will result in an unexcused absence.

The following consequences for violating the Electronic Device Policy will apply:

1. The first violation will result in the device being taken away, and a warning will be issued; the device will be returned to the student at the end of the day.
2. The second violation will result in the device being taken away, the student receiving an extended after school detention, and the device being returned to the student at the end of the day.
3. The third violation will result in the device being taken away, the student receiving a Friday school, and the parent picking up the device from the office.

Note: Any student in violation of the policy three times will not be permitted to have any electronic devices (cell phones, iPods, etc.) of any kind in school for the remainder of the school year even if the device is turned off and not being used.

CHEMICAL/SUBSTANCE ABUSE

The Board of Education acknowledges that student use of alcohol/drugs may result in the illness termed chemical dependency. The Board desires to aid in preventing the development of such dependency and avoid the accompanying disruption of a student's educational program. Thus, to promote an alcohol and drug free school, the Board supports the adoption and enforcement of regulations which prohibit student contact with alcoholic beverages, intoxicants, and drugs of abuse prior to (same calendar day) and during times the student is subject to the authority of school officials.

If a student violates the school regulation regarding drugs and alcohol or if it appears that chemical dependency exists, the Board of Education recognizes that it must share these concerns with the family and student involved.

The Board's intention is to create an atmosphere of openness and understanding. It is then the parent's and the student's responsibility to seek qualified counsel and inform the school of what corrective action is being taken. It is the school's responsibility to encourage the family in this endeavor. Disciplinary action resulting from the violation of a drug or alcohol-related regulation shall be determined by the appropriate school administrator according to guidelines set forth in such regulations.

1. Students shall not possess, use, transmit, sell, conceal, purchase, attempt to purchase, or consume any alcoholic beverage or intoxicant or any of the drugs of abuse.
2. This provision shall be applicable to any conduct on school grounds, during and immediately before or after school hours; on school grounds at any other time when the school is being used by a group; off school grounds at a school-sponsored activity, function or event; on a school bus or conveyance; or at any other time during the same calendar day when the student is or will be subject to the authority of the school. Moreover, the student shall not consume any alcoholic beverages or intoxicants or drugs of abuse at any time before the students' arrival at school or at a school sponsored or related event or activity. Examples of drugs of abuse include, but are not limited to, narcotic drugs, hallucinogenic drugs, generic drugs, amphetamines, steroids, barbiturates, marijuana, glue, cocaine, as well as look-alikes, synthetics, or

other substances that could modify behavior. Use of drugs in accordance with a medical prescription from a licensed physician shall not be considered in violation of this rule. However, all such drugs must be maintained in their original container and must be kept in the clinic/attendance office.

3. Students shall not possess, use, transmit, sell or conceal any drug-of abuse instrument or paraphernalia (for example hypodermic needle, syringe, water pipe, roach clip).

FIRST OFFENSE OPTION: FOR CHEMICAL/SUBSTANCE ABUSE

For those students who are first offenders and simply in possession of one of the above described substances or paraphernalia or have shown evidence of consumption of one of the above described substances the school will offer to dispense with the expulsion proceedings provided that:

A. The student and family must agree to comply with an appropriate treatment process as recommended by a school-assigned evaluator. The treatment process must consist of a minimum of ten (10) hours of treatment.

The treatment provider is required to have an appropriate background and schooling in chemical abuse counseling, and must be approved by the school personnel. This process must be initiated within five (5) school days.

B. The student and family will give written permission to the treatment agency to notify a designated school official that (s) he has contacted the agency and is involved in treatment.

CHEMICAL ABUSE POLICY PROCEDURE FOR OPTION CLAUSE

A. Students that are first offenders, and simply in possession of drugs/alcohol or paraphernalia or having shown evidence of consumption of drugs/alcohol, or anabolic steroids may be suspended for five (5) days.

1. The Principal may suspend the student for five (5) days.

2. The Assistant Principal may notify the Juvenile Court and/or the Coshocton County Sheriff's Department.

3. The Assistant Principal arranges an intervention conference with the student, parent, and the option coordinator.

B. At the intervention conference the option coordinator will refer the student to an appropriate agency.

1. If the student agrees to the outlined treatment, the expulsion proceedings will be delayed pending completion of optional program.

a. The student and parent sign the agreement and release forms.

b. The option coordinator notifies the agency of the student's agreement.

c. The agency notifies the option coordinator of the student's participation.

2. If the student does not agree to the outlined treatment, or does not complete the treatment within a reasonable period of time, the expulsion proceedings will continue.

C. If the student or agency terminates the treatment prior to completion he/she will be recommended for expulsion from school.

1. The agency will notify the option coordinator when the student has completed/terminated the outlined treatment.

2. The option coordinator will notify the Assistant Principal of the student's completion/termination.

3. The recommended counseling program will be at least 10 hours of treatment.

D. This option is a one -time procedure during the student's career in River View Schools.

ATHLETIC POLICIES

Note: Engaging in any violation of the River View High School Code of Conduct and/or any conduct deemed unbecoming of a student athlete or representative of the River View High School will be subject to disciplinary action deemed appropriate by the River View High School Administration.

Athletic Eligibility - All athletes are subject to the academic requirements as prescribed by the Ohio High School Athletic Association. The River View Board of Education has established a local requirement which mandates that each athlete attain a minimum grade point average of 1.0 from the preceding grading period to participate in interscholastic events without restriction. Incoming ninth graders must have passed a minimum of five (5) credits during the final grading period of their eighth grade year.

Athletic Code of Conduct - All athletes must subject themselves to the Athletic Code of Conduct as approved by the Board of Education. Athletes are reminded to review the portion of the student handbook dealing with the possession or use of tobacco, alcohol, or drugs is binding during the school year and throughout the summer.

Note: Students will sign an athletic code of conduct one time only upon participating in a sport at River View High School. Once the student athlete signs this contract, it takes effect and will remain in effect for the remainder of the student athlete's eligibility at River View High School.

ATHLETIC DRUG, SUBSTANCE ABUSE, ALCOHOL, AND TOBACCO POLICY

TOBACCO POLICY

Possession or having shown evidence of consumption of tobacco in any form (cigarettes, cigars, snuff, chewing tobacco, E-Cig., vaporizer etc.) is a violation of board policy and will result in the following consequences:

First Offense - Athlete or individual will be denied participation in 20% of regular season contest of that sport. The athlete will be expected to practice with the team and travel and sit on the bench with the team (will not be in uniform). The above consequence can be reduced to 10% if 6 hours of community service is performed as approved by school administration.

Second Offense - Athlete or individual will be denied participation in 40% of regular season contests of that sport. He will be expected to practice with the team, travel and sit on the bench (will not be in uniform). Athlete must complete a Tobacco Education Program as approved by school administration.

Option A: Athlete or individual can reduce above denial of participation to 20% if he/she completes the following:

1. Tobacco Education Program - 6 hours.
2. Community Service - 6 hours.

Third Offense - Athlete or individual will be denied participation for 1 year from all extracurricular activities. By agreement of Athletic Director, coach, parents, and athlete he/she may be permitted to practice with the team/teams. The athlete may not travel, dress or sit on the team bench during games.

Fourth Offense - Athlete or individual will be denied participation from the athletic program for the remainder of his/her eligibility. *Note: A student at the junior high level will also be done for the remainder of their eligibility because they cannot complete their consequences.*

DRUG AND ALCOHOL POLICY

The possession or having shown evidence of consumption of alcohol or any drugs (illegal narcotics, mind-altering substances, inhalants, intoxicants, look alikes) steroids and/or controlled substances, is a violation of board policy and will result in the following consequences:

First Offense - Athlete or individual will be denied participation in 40% of regular contest of the sport. The athlete will be expected to practice with the team, travel and sit on the bench with the team - (will not be in uniform). The athlete must participate in a drug/alcohol education program approved by the school administration.

Option A: If an athlete or individual admits to possession or having shown evidence of consumption of drugs or alcohol or a parent calls to turn in their son/daughter prior to being questioned the above denial of participation can be reduced to 20% if the following is completed:

1. Counseling program as approved by school administration – 10 hours
2. Community service - 6 hours

Option B: If an athlete or individual is questioned concerning drug/alcohol use and honesty prevails, then denial of participation will be reduced to 30% provided the following is completed:

1. Counseling program as approved by school administration – 10 hours
2. Community service - 6 hours

Second Offense - Athlete or individual will be denied participation for 1 year from all extracurricular activities. The one year of non-participation will end 12 months from the date of the violation. The athlete or individual must participate in a drug/alcohol education program approved by the school administration consisting of a minimum of ten (10) hours of treatment. The treatment provider is required to have an appropriate background and schooling in chemical abuse counseling, and must be approved by school personnel. There will be no reduction in denial of participation and athlete may not practice with the team.

Option A: Athlete may be permitted to practice with the team/teams if an agreement between Athletic Director/coach/parent/athlete can be reached. The athlete will not travel, dress, or sit on the team bench.

Third Offense - Athlete or individual will be dismissed from the extracurricular program including athletics for the remainder of his/her eligibility.

NOTES:

1. Athletes are required to serve the appropriate penalty in the current sport, if enough time permits or the next sport if they have been a participant in the past year.

2. **Sale and/or distribution of DRUGS will result in a denial of participation for 40% of regular season contests of the sport for the 1st offense. There will be no reduction in the athletic suspension but the student-athlete must still complete the following: The athlete will be expected to practice with the team, travel and sit on the bench with the team (will not be in uniform). The athlete must also complete Counseling Program that consists of 10 hours and 6 hours of Community service that is approved by the School Administration.**

2nd Offense: result in a lifetime ban from all extracurricular activities.

3. An athlete will be considered in violation of the Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco Policy and Code of Conduct if he or she is observed by a coach, the Athletic Director, a Principal, Superintendent of Schools, or reliable school personnel as determined by school administration. Self-admission and disclosure by parents will justify violations of the Athletic Code.

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ACCEPTABLE USE AND INTERNET SAFETY POLICY FOR THE COMPUTER NETWORK OF *THE RIVER VIEW SCHOOL DISTRICT* (See District Web-site)

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

One unit of Health and Physical Education is required for graduation unless excused with a certificate on file signed by a licensed physician. Students must file such certificate in the Guidance Office previous to the opening day of school. If not done by that time, it must be secured immediately. This excuse does not grant physical education credit. It only excuses the student from participating in gym activity.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION EXEMPTION

A student who, during high school, has participated in interscholastic athletics, marching band or cheerleading for at least two full seasons is not required to complete any physical education courses as a condition to graduate. However, the student is required to complete one-half unit, consisting of at least 60 hours of instruction, in another course of study.

COURSE CREDIT

Credit for any course offered at River View High School will be granted and recorded at the completion of the class.

In the event a student drops a course, withdraws, or is withdrawn, before the course is completed, he or she will not receive credit for the course.

Note: The only exception to the course credit listed above would be completion by tutor or "home instruction." This may be done only with the principal's permission

ACTIVITY REGULATIONS

The activity regulations were devised for the purpose of (1) controlling the number of activities in which each student may participate, (2) giving more students the opportunity to participate effectively in extra-curricular activities, and (3) providing the opportunity for more students to experience the responsibilities of leadership.

The clubs or activities recognized by River View High School are: Art Club, Annual Staff, Chess Club, FFA, FCLA, Letterman's Club, Leo Club, National Honor Society, Math Club, OMUN, Rock your World Cultures, SADD, Speech Club, Strength Training, Student Council.

Any group seeking recognition as a school activity must proceed in the following manner:

1. Be approved by the Faculty.
2. Have an advisor who is a member of the teaching faculty.
3. Place on file in the office the following information:
 - a. Name of activity.
 - b. Purpose and definition of the activity.
 - c. Who may participate in the activity?
 - d. Rules and regulations governing the activity.
 - e. Restrictions (grade average, conduct, etc.)
 - f. Election procedure and dates of election.
 - g. Purpose and estimated expenditures of the budget of the activity.

The activity regulations are as follows:

1. Election results should be submitted to the office no later than one week following election.
2. No student may hold more than two offices in clubs or activities.

3. Due to time conflicts, Career Center students are not eligible to hold a class officer or offices in clubs or activities that meet during the school day (Athletics or after school activities would be the exception.)
4. No student may hold the office for President in more than one club.
5. All cheerleaders, class officers and Student Council members must maintain a 2.0 average. (Either the nine weeks average or yearly average may be used.) If a student drops below a 2.0 average, he shall be placed on probation for a nine weeks period.
6. If at the end of the probationary period his average is still below 2.0, he must relinquish his position for the remainder of the school year. Grade average is computed considering all report card grades for the nine weeks period or year period.
7. Candidacy for all Student Council and Class Officers must be filed by petition. College option students may also be candidates but if elected must attend all meetings. The petitions are available in the Principal's Office.
8. Additional regulations may be established by each organization, but they must first be approved by the advisor, faculty council and the principal. They should be in writing and copies available to all members.
9. Any student holding a class office, if suspended, will be referred to the Review Committee for possible removal from that office. A Drug/Alcohol or theft suspension could result in an automatic dismissal from office after going in front of the Review Committee.

Special Note: The Review Committee consists of the 4 class officer advisors along with the Associate Principal.

SCHOOL FUNDS

All class and organization funds shall be deposited with the district treasurer. No organization shall be permitted to incur any financial obligation without authority from the advisor. All money-raising projects are to be approved by the building principal.

STUDENT GUIDE FOR ACTIVITIES

Dress - The school dress code will be observed unless specified otherwise by the activity advisor. Deviations are expected to be moderate. Prom attire should follow the school dress code unless otherwise posted. Generally, spaghetti straps and exposed backs are acceptable for Prom Dresses.

Leaving Activity - Students are permitted to leave an activity at any time. However, when students leave, they are not permitted to return to the activity. There will be no exception.

Smoking and Drinking - Smoking or drinking is not permitted at any school activity. This includes all school property, not just in the building. (Same policy as during school day.)

Guests - Students are permitted to bring guests to activities if the guests have been signed up in advance in the office (unless specified otherwise by the

activity advisor). However, the guest is considered to be a date and student bringing the guest is expected to remain with and be responsible for the guest. (This is intended to be a convenience for River View students and applies to boy/girl, not boy/boy or girl/girl.)

Out of town Guests - Friends or relations staying at the home of River View students would be an exception to the boy/boy or girl/girl rule. However, houseguests from the surrounding area such as Coshocton and Ridgewood are not considered out of town. These arrangements must be made with the attendance office in advance, not on the day of the visit, as per visitor regulations.

Situations Not Covered - Any situation not covered by this guide would be covered by the discretion of the advisor and the student handbook would apply as a guide.

RAISING AND USING SPECIAL CURRICULAR FUNDS

Special curricular activities, in most cases, have funds if a successful program of educational experience attractive to young people is to be developed. Such funds and the means used to raise and spend them should receive the same careful consideration as any other part of the program. All money-making projects are to be approved by the building principal.

Guiding Principles

1. Funds must be raised in a manner which accords with the objectives and ideals of the program. Likewise, they must be raised within the limits of board policies.
2. Training in handling of funds in terms of purposes should receive careful consideration by the adviser and membership.
3. In every case, an expenditure of special curricular funds should be thought of in the light of the administrative, supervisory, guidance, or instructional activity it is intended to facilitate.
4. All money in the school entrusted to any student officer or faculty adviser must be placed in the district treasury and all expenditures made by requisition stating exact items for which funds are expended. Experience in schools throughout the nation has definitely shown that the failure to handle the collection and expenditure of funds properly constitute an invitation to dishonesty or carelessness, which is not only distinctly harmful training to young people, but reflects discredit upon the faculty administration and the school.
5. No school can be overdrawn.
6. No special curricular activity can spend from the treasury money it does not have.

METHODS BY WHICH FUNDS MAY BE RAISED

1. Proceeds from club enterprises (as sale of publications, tickets for performances and dances, etc.)
2. Regular dues from members. (It is suggested that this item be kept as small as possible in all instances.)

3. Proceeds from special sales. Needs board authorization, check with Building Administration.
4. Funds received from the membership when each individual pays their own expense, as on a trip. If such money is collected by the adviser, he should deposit it with the district treasurer and have a check written. Thus, his requisition and the canceled checks will protect him in case of later investigation or inquiry.

Regulations By Which Funds May Be Spent - Expenditure of funds for special curricular activities may be made as follows upon approval of the administration:

1. Money may be spent for equipment supplies and other necessities that special curricular activities may function and offer all student members worthwhile, educational experiences.
2. Such funds are collected and shall be expended for the greatest educational benefit of all members. Therefore, only money spent for the membership is justified.
3. Students may not use school facilities to raise funds and then spend them on unevaluated, unplanned, and possible detrimental activities.
4. Donations to charity may be made from club funds.
5. Expenses for parties, banquets, farewells, printing of programs, etc. may well be legitimate expenses that an activity may function and offer members worthwhile educational experiences.
6. Senior class may set up an alumni fund for reunion purposes - not to exceed \$250.00.

RIVER VIEW HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

(ALL POSTED DUES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

Annual Staff: Purpose: Produce yearbook. Dues: None. Membership: Membership is open to members of the freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior classes. Purchase of a yearbook is highly encouraged

Art Club: Purpose: Engage students in arts-related activities, such as creating art, viewing art and learning about art. Club Dues: \$10.00. Dues must be paid by the third club meeting of the school year. Membership is open to any student who is currently enrolled in, or has previously completed a high school art course. Events may consist of creating art projects during club meetings, visiting art venues or museums, preparing the high school art show in the spring, participating in face-painting or other art-related fundraising activities, or other activities chosen by the club and officers.

Chess Club: The dues are \$2.00 per year. The club meets at least three times a month. The advisors for Chess Club are Mrs. Moran and Ms. Freedman. Every semester we hold tournaments for all members.

Digital Film Club: The purpose is to study, create, and edit filming in the digital world. Anyone may participate in this club, and everyone must respect one another. Every member must put their schoolwork first. Every member must attend at least 50% of the meetings. Every member must participate in at least one filming project. Student must maintain a 1.5 GPA. Any member, that is suspended, will be kicked out for the remaining of the semester. No filming of any other persons without their consent. Election of officers will be held at

the first meeting. During the first year of Digital Filming club, members will be using their phones or any other filming equipment they have. Eventually, the Digital Filming Club would like to expand and raise money to purchase newer equipment and/or software.

F.F.A. Purpose: Development of agricultural leadership, cooperation, and citizenship. Membership: Must be enrolled in Vo-Ag. Dues: \$30.00 (Full-time members) and \$20.00 (part-time members) per year. Farm and animal Biology and wood shop are considered part-time. Meeting time: 2nd Thursday, 3:00 p.m. Events: Local and state events, fruit sales.

FCCLA: Purpose: Help individuals improve career skills, family relationships, and community living. Meeting time: Activity Period and a few possible after school meetings. Dues: \$10.00 locally, this includes a T-shirt. Membership: Open to any student who is currently enrolled, or has previously completed, a Family & Consumer Science class (junior high Family Living class included) Events: meetings, school and community projects, fund raising.

Letterman's Club: Purpose: Provide sportsmanship, fellowship and social activities. Dues: \$5.00. Meeting time: Enrichment Period. Events: Attend college games, usher at games, social events. Membership restrictions: Must be a letter winner in academics, athletics, music, or FFA.

Leo Club: The purpose of the Leo Club is to give young people an opportunity, through partnership with the Lions, to develop as responsible, service-minded individuals. Leos reflect the proud "WE SERVE" spirit of the Lions Club International. The membership is open to all students.

National Honor Society: Purpose - To recognize scholarship, service, leadership, character. Membership Fee: \$25.00. Membership shall be based on scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Selection procedures posted in the office. Events: Induction/tea and community service.

NIKE Club: Nike is the winged goddess of victory, which symbolizes strength, power, and ultimate triumph of our efforts to advance woman's estate. The BPW started the Nike Club on a high school level to promote mentoring to girls as they prepare to make the transition from teenager to adulthood and to mold those girls into future BPW leaders. The overall goals of a Nike Club are creating an awareness of career opportunities, learning to serve the school and community, developing leadership, teaching acceptance of responsibilities, and gaining knowledge about college and the next step in these students' lives.

Math Club: Typically meets once every month during the school year. Membership is open to all students in good academic standing who enjoy mathematics. Club activities may consist of math contests, field trips, and fundraisers. Dues are \$4.00 and must be paid by the fourth club meeting of the school year

OMUN: The River View Ohio Model United Delegation meets with the purpose of preparing the team for state OMUN competition. Students will investigate the social, economic, political and cultural background of their assigned country. From there, students identify a problematic area for the country and propose a resolution as a solution to that problem. State conference models the methods of the United Nations in bringing resolutions for debate. Students at RVHS can earn high school credit by also enrolling in the OMUN course.

Rock your world (Cultures): Celebrates the diversity of language, culture, and the international experience. Students will gain a greater appreciation for the

world in which they live by participation in culturally themed activities and international community service. RYWC students are encouraged to take advantage of club activities outside of the school day including Stammtisch dinners and field trips (Recent field trips include the Carnegie Museum in Pittsburgh and the Nutcracker Ballet). During Black Bear Fest years, RYWC runs an International Fair with activities for youngsters from a dozen countries around the globe. We “think globally, and act locally”!

SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions)

Purpose: SADD provides students with the best prevention and intervention tools possible to deal with destructive decisions. SADD is a peer leadership organization dedicated to the prevention of potentially life threatening consequences of issues such as drinking, drug abuse, smoking, steroid use, violence, suicide, not wearing a seat belt and sexually transmitted diseases. Dues: \$4.00

Speech Club: Purpose: To prepare students to better represent themselves and their ideas through public speaking. Meetings are held during activity period and in the evenings approximately two times a week from September through March. Dues: None, but students who wish to enter competitions must pay a small fee for each event entered. Events: Students will have the opportunity to compete against those from other schools on selected weekends from October through March.

Strength Training Club: Purpose: Instruct students in proper strength training techniques. Increase the flow of endorphins and create a positive mental attitude. Increase muscle mass and decrease adipose tissue effectively increasing metabolic rate. The importance of maintaining a proper body weight, increasing strength and endurance, and to build lifetime fitness habits.

Participation: Those interested in learning the proper techniques of strength training and increasing their cardio endurance. Cardio training and diet reminders will be an important aspect of this activity. When the weather cooperates we will start class with a run and at time train outside.

Student Council

Purpose: Develop leadership and aid in promoting sense of loyalty to school. Membership elected by student body. Meets during school day. Events: Homecoming events and assemblies. Student council will be organized to serve as an advisory group to the administration. Each homeroom will be designated one homeroom representative. The council will elect its own officers including President and Vice-President. The student body elects these officers. The objective of the council are to provide a training ground for student leadership, to aid in developing a greater sense of loyalty to school and class, to promote a better school spirit, and to help solve problems in its area of responsibility as assigned by the principal.

Student Council Members - You have been selected by your peers to represent them on Student Council. Please assume your responsibility well by attending all meetings and keeping your homeroom accurately and well informed.

YEARBOOK PICTURES OF SENIORS

1. All yearbook pictures are taken by one photographer. In order for your picture to be included in the yearbook, you must have your picture taken by the scheduled yearbook photographer.
2. There is no charge to have your yearbook picture taken. You may either schedule to have your picture taken at school in the fall or at the studio before August 30.
3. No senior yearbook pictures will be accepted for the yearbook from any studio other than the yearbook senior photographer's.
4. The school and yearbook advisors will consider any picture plan presented by professional photographers each April for the following year's services.

HONOR SOCIETY SELECTION PROCEDURES **(AS OF 4/27/11)**

The Honor Society Committee has established selection procedures for the River View High School chapter of the National Honor Society.

The steps are as follows:

- I. A Grade Point Average of 3.40 on a 4.0 scale is required. Dues will be \$25.00.
- II. Students must accumulate a minimum of four school sponsored activities by the beginning of 11th grade or five by the beginning of 12th grade. Teachers will be asked to confirm that each candidate is a member in good standing of that activity. Good standing includes, but is not limited to, dues paid on time, attendance and participation in meetings and activities, and is a reliable member of the school activity.
- III. Potential candidates must construct a well-written paragraph describing a community service activity in which they have participated. The paragraph should describe how this activity benefited the student and his or her community. Documentation of the activity must be provided. This would include the date the project was completed, a signature of the supervisor, and a phone number to contact the supervisor.
- IV. The National Honor Society Faculty Council reviews all the pertinent student information, and each student is voted upon by the council. Article IX Section 3 of the National Constitution states, "The selection of each member to the chapter shall be by majority vote of the National Honor Society Faculty Council."

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION CONDUCT

The school district provides transportation in compliance with state law. Parents are responsible for supervision of students until such time as the student boards the bus in the morning and immediately after the students exit the bus at the end of the school day. Students on a bus are under the authority of, and directly responsible to, the bus driver. The driver has the authority to enforce the established regulations for bus conduct. Disorderly conduct or refusal to submit to the authority of the driver will be sufficient reason for administration to refuse transportation service to any student.

Bus Rules and Regulations

1. Students are to comply with the directions of the bus driver at all times.
2. Students are to arrive at their proper bus stop five minutes before the bus is scheduled to arrive. Students must wait in a safe location clear of traffic.
3. Students are to remain seated while on the bus, keeping the aisles clear, and displaying acceptable behavior. Drivers may assign a student to a seat.
4. Body parts must always be inside the bus windows and objects will not be thrown inside, or from the bus.
5. Students may carry on the bus only objects that can be held in their laps.
6. Students shall keep the bus clean by discarding used items in the proper receptacles.
7. Fighting, pushing, or using physical/verbal threats will not be tolerated.
8. Always be courteous in conversation, talking but not yelling or making loud noises. Profane or obscene language is forbidden.
9. Students are not permitted to eat, drink, possess tobacco products, or possess alcohol and other drugs (prescription or non-prescription) unless student is transporting them to or from the clinic.
10. Animals, firearms, ammunition, weapons, explosives, flammables or any dangerous materials or objects are strictly prohibited.
11. Vandalizing, touching or tampering with the bus or bus equipment is a violation of state law and may result in prosecution.
12. Railroad crossings require complete silence from students before the driver may proceed across tracks.
- 13. Students must board and exit the bus at assigned locations. Any deviation must have parental and administrative authorization. These signed notes must be in advance and must be in writing only.**
14. At pick-up and departure, a hand signal from the bus driver is necessary before crossing in front of the bus.
15. High school students must board the school buses at the end of the day at the high school.
16. No student will be permitted to board a bus at the end of the school day after having been to the parking lot.
17. Students involved in after school activities at the junior high school are to stay at the high school until all buses have exited the junior high area.
18. Bus rules and regulations, as well as the Student Handbook and Code of conduct will apply at bus stops as well.