

River Grove: A Marine Area Community School

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Tue Oct 10, 5-8pm:

ALL-SCHOOL PIZZA PARTY, SILENT AUCTION, and RAFFLE DRAWING.

Fun for the whole family! The funds raised at this event are vital to River Grove's budget. Among other things, the funds provide for the school's art and science

activities, cultural curriculum, library books, technology, music program, sports equipment, and classroom supplies.

The pizza dinner is \$5.00/ea. (gluten-free also available).

The raffle tickets will be drawn that night! Prizes for the raffle include an American Girl Doll, a Nintendo Switch gaming system, an Amazon Fire tablet, Trollhaugen Ski Passes, and 50/50 cash. Tickets are \$5/each, or 5 for \$20.

We still need volunteers for the event. Please email to Kate McDearmon at Kate@mcdearmons.net or Lisa DeMars at ldemars@cbburnet.com, or go to our Sign Up Genius at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f45a5af29a7f85-silent>

Tue Oct 10: FIRE-PREVENTION DEMONSTRATIONS. Marine's volunteer fire department will visit the classrooms to discuss safety.

Thu-Fri Oct 19-20/Mon-Tue Oct 23-24: NO SCHOOL for "MEA BREAK" and TEACHER IN-SERVICE DAYS

Fri Oct 27: FALL CELEBRATION and "TAILGATING PARTY." Kids, start planning your costumes now! Costumes will be permitted at school on this day with a few restrictions: no masks; no weapons or blood (real or facsimile); costumes should not



depict horror or frightening characters; shoes must be worn. Animals, friendly historical or storybook characters, food items, etc. are encouraged. All items should be labeled with your kids' names and should be easy to put on over regular school clothes. Each classroom teacher will decide the specific times costumes are allowed.

THEN, parents and families are welcome to come to our first "Tailgating Party," after school starting at 4:00. Bring pot-luck treats and snacks. Stay tuned for more info!



Important Notes

SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS DUE MONDAYS AT NOON

for the following week. [Click here.](#)

LUNCH MONEY: At this time, we can accept cash or check for your child's lunch account. Please send with your child, mail us, or stop in the office.

DAILY DISMISSAL CHANGES:

call 651-409-3122 or email admin@marineareaschool.org by **NOON** (except for emergencies).

VISITORS & VOLUNTEERS:

Check in and out at the office in Earth Lodge.

ATTENDANCE: Please email or call the office at 651-409-3122 if your child is sick, late, or absent for any reason.

LOST AND FOUND: Located in the entryway of the Commons.

OLDFIELD ROAD:

Please do not use Oldfield Road north of Hwy 7 to Ostlund Trail N. This road is not an approved route for River Grove traffic, and usage may affect our Conditional Use Permit.

Thank You!

More Calendar Items

- **Sun Oct 15, 4-7pm: BIG RIVER FARMS HARVEST POTLUCK!** Our next-door neighbor is having a party! Bring a dish to share and celebrate MFA's farmers, enjoy wagon rides, entertainment, kids' activities, wine pull, raffle, and more! More info here: www.mnfoodassociation.org
- **Fri Nov 3: NO SCHOOL for FALL PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES.** Stay tuned for scheduling information.

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- **WINTER WEATHER CLOTHING:** With the weather turning colder, please make sure your kids are appropriately dressed. When snow arrives, snow pants, boots, coats, mittens/gloves, and hats will be required.
- **PLAYGROUND NEWS!** Playground structures have been ordered, and we are waiting for them to arrive! River Grove dads Mike Capra and Ryan Kunz have offered to co-lead this project for installation, and a community build will require 20 more volunteers; the date will be set once we have shipment confirmation. Please contact the office if you can help.

A huge **THANK YOU** to Kathy Marker (Marine resident), River Grove parent Becky Potthoff, and other volunteers for obtaining donated Gaga Ball Pit and 9 Square play structures. Volunteers are needed for assembly. Please help!

- **EASY FUNDRAISERS FOR OUR SCHOOL:** Start turning in your used ink cartridges and cell phones for recycling at River Grove! We will earn Office Depot gift cards to buy needed supplies. Also, start collecting Box Tops for Education and bring them to the school.

AmazonSmile is another easy way to earn money for River Grove. This is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to the charitable organization of your choice. We are registered as Marine Area Community School (Tax ID 81-3121257).

Every penny helps!



- **BUS ROUTE UPDATES:** We have had many requests for bus route changes, and have several new families. Minnesota Central will do its best to accommodate all requests and make the best routes possible. Please stay tuned for updated bus pick-up and drop-off times. The routes will not take effect until approved by River Grove administration.
- **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** If your background check is complete, please volunteer. See our website for a link to the sign-up.
- **BREAKFAST SERVICE IS HERE!** We now offer a "grab and go" breakfast. Kids get their food and eat in class. Cost is \$2.25 each. See the lunch menu for more info.
- **OVER-THE-COUNTER MEDICATION PERMISSION FORM:** If you are ok with River Grove healthcare staff administering antibiotic, hydrocortisone, **Benadryl** cream, Caladryl lotion, cough drops, etc., to your child, please complete the "River Grove OTC Medication Permission Form" [on the website](#). See also the **AUTHORIZATION FOR SELF-ADMINISTRATION OF ASTHMA MEDICATION** for those who carry inhalers, etc.