

Rossford Junior-Senior High School Monthly Newsletter

March 2025

AT A GLANCE	 March 3-6 - NO BEYOND THE BELL March 10-12 - DECA State Career Development Conference March 13-16 - Spring Musical; The Drowsy Chaperone March 12, 13 & 18 - Junior Class ACT Testing (see page 2) March 20 - First Day of Spring March 21 - Quarter 3 Ends March 24-28 - Spring Break 	Firing Forward March 9, 2025 • Set your clock ahead!
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Dr. Nick Neiderhouse Principal



Mr. Matt Beakas Assistant Principal



Mr. Bryan Skrzyniecki Assistant Principal

A Message from Dr. Neiderhouse, Principal

Spring is right around the corner and believe it or not, we only have about three months of school left for this school year. Sticking to the theme of threes, when I think about these months, I think of three events coming up: spring break (March), state testing (April), and graduation (May). Each one has an important purpose. As you make plans for **spring break** to either visit with family/friends or vacation, I hope you and your child have time to rest and gear up for a strong finish to the school year. From an academic standpoint, April is critical that students stay locked in and give their best efforts on the **state tests**. We have provided extra incentives for students. These include exam waivers for high school students and possible reward days and prizes for our junior high students. These incentives were shared last month, but will be sent again as a reminder. Then the big day that all Seniors have been patiently waiting for since they started school, **graduation**. As mentioned before, commencement will take place on May 31 at 7pm at the Stranahan.

We are proud to recognize some recent state qualifiers in boys bowling (Michael Harris III), girls wrestling (Noel Reinhart), and speech and debate participants (Amanda Bautista, Justynne Jones, and Gracie Pierce). We had send offs and clap outs not only for the participants, but for the supporting teams as well. These students and athletes are testaments that with their consistent dedication to their area of expertise and with support from their coaches, truly great achievements can be made.

The spring sports season is kicking off soon and with the eventual warmer weather, I hope you can make it out to some events. You will notice that absent from the administration list on the left is our athletic director, Mr. Smith. He resigned last month to pursue another career. Please exercise patience as we enter a transition period as we seek a new athletic leader. Last, but not least, you will see on page four of the newsletter, our talented musical theatre students will be performing this month in the musical, *The Drowsy Chaperone*. Come check out the talent and enjoy the month of March!

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Beyond the Bell

Due to staffing conflicts, Beyond the Bell will be closed on Monday, March 3-Thursday, March 6 due to BGSU Spring Break.

Counseling Corner

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we prepare for the upcoming 2025-2026 school year, we encourage you to discuss course selection with your student once the course offering paperwork is sent out. Students will be selecting their courses during class time using their Chromebooks. While this process will take place at school, we strongly recommend that students review their options with you beforehand to ensure they make informed decisions. Stay tuned for a new schedule change policy that our district will be implementing for next year. It is important that you and your student put time and thought into your course requests. There will be more information to come regarding our new policy.

Thank you for your support in guiding your student's academic planning. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out.

ACT District Testing Dates:

Junior students will be taking the ACT this Month.

- Students who attend Penta will test on March 12.
- Students who attend classes at Rossford will test on March 13.
- Select students who have approved ACT Accommodations will test on March 18.

Mrs. Lord will be going over Pre-Registration and Dismissal information during student meetings at Penta and Rossford on March 3.

SOS Club

SOS Club is holding a package drive for All Saints Show Them We Care. See page 5 for a list of items needed (specifically in need of travel sized toiletries), but any items on list are appreciated. The drive will run March 1-14 and there will be a competition between CORE classes. Junior High and Senior High CORE class with most collected items will receive brookie cups. Donations can be dropped off in the Junior-Senior High School Main Office.



2025 Spring Ohio's State Tests

Students at Rossford Junior-Senior High School (6th-12th) will take the graduation required Ohio's State Tests (OST) on the dates and times listed below. Students are encouraged to take these tests seriously as the tests are one measure that tell us how well our students are growing in the knowledge and skills outlined in Ohio's Learning Standards. These tests help guide and strengthen future teaching so we can be sure that we are preparing our students for long-term success in school, college, careers, and life.

Chromebooks

ALL students are expected to bring their school issued chromebook each day they are scheduled to take an OST. Chromebooks **need to** be charged overnight and in working condition for each scheduled test.

Sleep and Nutrition

Students are encouraged to be well rested. This will allow students to be more alert, focused, and ready for each test. Students should also try and eat breakfast to help fuel their brain and stay energized while working through each test.

Schedule

During English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematical, Science and Social Studies Ohio Testing Dates, <u>HIGH</u> <u>SCHOOL</u> students who are <u>NOT</u> scheduled to test have two options:

- Students may choose to come in late (9:45 am) and follow the 2-Hour delay schedule provided they have their own transportation. District transportation will operate on the normal schedule.
- Students may choose to come in at the regular scheduled time (7:45am) and report to a supervised study hall. Once testing is complete in the building, students will follow the 2-Hour delay schedule. District transportation will operate on the normal schedule.

ALL students grades 6-8 students will attend ALL school days during testing.

Testing Dates/Times:

- April 8 & April 9, 2025 English Language Arts Parts 1 and 2 (ELA 6, 7, 8 and ELA II (HS))
 7:45am 9:45am ALL students who are scheduled to test are expected to report by 7:45am.
- April 15 April 16, 2025 US History and American Government Parts 1 and 2 (HS)
 ALL JH students report to school / High School Students see schedule above
- April 23 April 24, 2025 Science Parts 1 and 2 (Biology and Science 8)
 ALL JH students report to school / High School Students see schedule above
- April 29 May 1, 2025 Math Parts 1 and 2 (Math 6, 7, 8, Integrated Mathematics I & II, Algebra I, or Geometry)
 - 7:45am 9:45am ALL students who are scheduled to test are expected to report by 7:45am

Rooms for testing: Students will be notified of their room and teacher assignment for each test they are taking

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Rossford Drama Presents The Drowsy Chaperone!

Please join us for this year's musical The Drowsy Chaperone! A musical theatre fan, who is feeling "blue", decides to play a record of his favorite musical from the 1920s. As he plays the record, the characters come to life in a farce that centers on showgirl Janet Van De Graaf, who is planning to give up her career to marry oil tycoon Robert Martin. 50 Rossford students have worked for months to perform this Tony Award winning show on March 13, 14 and 15 at 7 pm and March 16 at 2 pm. Adult tickets are \$10 and Student/Senior tickets are \$8 and may be purchased at the door.



We "R" One! Go Bulldogs!



Attendance

Please report all student absences, late arrivals, and early departures through SafeArrival/SchoolMessenger

With SafeArrival/SchoolMessenger, you are asked to report your child's absence in advance using any of the 3 convenient methods listed below. Parents/guardians will be contacted by phone and email via SafeArrival if student absences have not been reported by 8:45.

 Using your mobile device: download and install the SchoolMessenger app from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store. The icon for the app looks like the below image. The first time you use the app, select Sign Up to create your account. Select Attendance -> Report an Absence

This is what the app looks like



- PowerSchool Parent Portal: Use the SafeArrival website via the SchoolMessenger link in PowerSchool Parent Portal online. Log into the PowerSchool Parent portal then scroll down and click on the SchoolMessenger link on the left.
- 3. **Toll-free number**: Call the toll-free number **1-844-867-6066** to report an absence using the automated phone system.

These three options are all available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week







March 3-14, 2025

Help the "Show Them We Care" organization send monthly care packages to our local troops serving overseas

Collecting:

Hard candies Breath mints Cookies Chewing gum Nuts Powdered drink mix (singles) Cheese/peanut butter crackers Small packages of cookies Small bags of pretzels Small cans of Pringles Cheez-Its Trail Mix Fruit Roll-Ups Individually wrapped licorice Beef Jerky or Slim Jims

Microwave popcorn Ramen noodles Tuna in a pouch Mac & cheese cups Pudding cups Rice Krispie Treats Cereal bars/granola bars Peanut Butter On-The-Go Snack size M&M's Baby wipes (travel size) Small packets of tissues Travel size toiletries* Hand sanitizer Foot powder Lip balm

Crew socks Deodorant Dental Floss Toothbrushes & toothpaste Razors Ziploc bags (gallon size) Thank you or "Thinking of You" cards (with a personal message) Prayer cards Rosaries Newspapers or Magazines Ziplock storage bags (gallon size) Seasonal fun toys, games or trinkets

Turn in items to your CORE teacher or bring to Room 116

Top CORE class in Junior High and High School win Brookie Cups!

*There is a great need for travel size toiletries



Saturday, April 26

8-11 am or until sold out

Rossford Jr/Sr High School Cafeteria

Serving:

Pancakes (buttermilk and chocolate chip)

~ from scratch and all you can eat! ~

Sausage Links



Fresh Fruit Cup



Juice/Milk/Coffee

Adults: \$8, Senior Citizens: \$6, Students: \$5, Under 5: \$2

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NORTHWEST OHIO TEEN BOOK FESTIVAL MARCH 15, 2025 ROSSFORD JR/SR HIGH



9:00 AM - 3:30 PM Questions? Email us at info@nwoteenbookfest.com

Bus Details: https://nwoteenbookfest.com/getting-here/





This course changed my life... - Parent Project Mom

> I recommend it to any parent with an adolescen child... - Police Officer

It helped me save my relationship with my son... - Parent Project Dad





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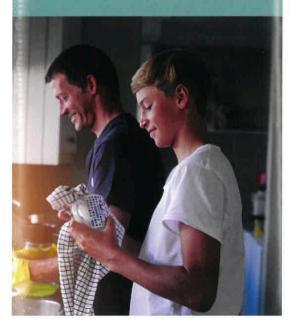
ABOUT THE PARENT PROJECT

- The Parent Project provides activity-based instruction, support groups, and curriculum addressing the most destructive of adolescent behavior.
- With a nationwide proven track record, the Parent
 Project reduced juvenile crime by one third, while significantly improving both school attendance and performance in one community.

The program utilizes behavior modification approaches. Parents who have completed the course show success in dealing with children. The Parent Project will help you accomplish these goals!

HOW DOES IT WORK

- Helps parents demonstrate their love for their children
- Learn to parent without arguing with your strong-willed child!
- Teaches intervention/prevention strategies for school attendance and performance, drug and alcohol use, negative peer association, violence, and bullying
- Improves parent/child relationship
- Offers ongoing emotional and practical support for the family



PARENT PROJECT OF WOOD COUNTY

Share with other parents who are facing similar challenges! You are not alone.

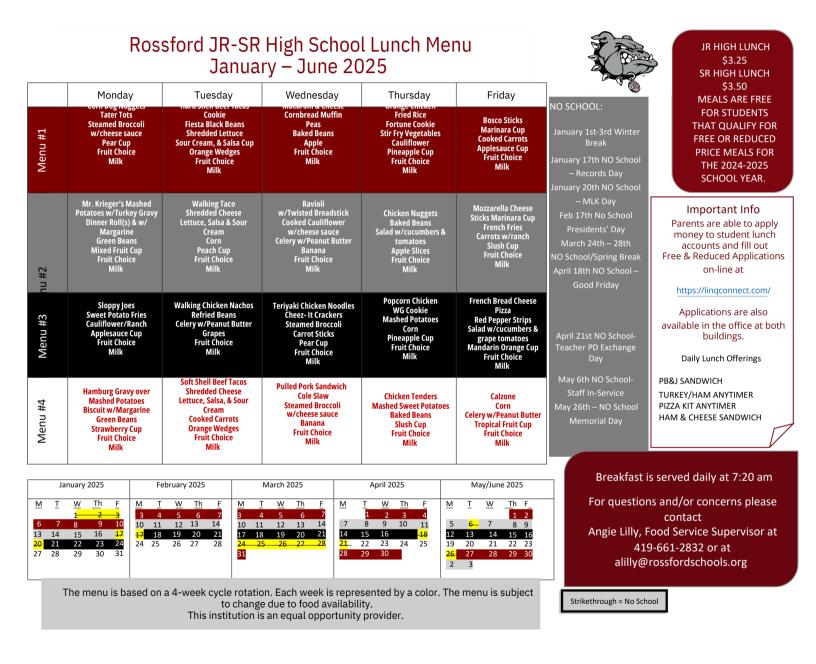
Parents participate and learn in a classroom model to manage teen behavior problems at home.

Parents receive and practice with an activity-based 218-page curriculum.

Offered various locations around Wood County each year:

- 10 week sessions typically beginning the first week of September and the first week of March.
- Cost is \$20.00. A refund is available if you attend all scheduled sessions.
- Parents meet one night per week. Each session lasts an average of 2 hours.









NO COST FOR YOUR FAMILY!



CONVENIENTLY LOCATED AT ROSSFORD JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADES 6 THROUGH 12 DISMISSAL - 6:00 PM MONDAY-THURSDAY

WHAT WE OFFER:

-Free Hot Meal - Safe Space between School and Sports - Strengthen Social Relationships - Homework Assistance - Flexible Attendance - Trained Staff

REGISTER HERE:



The Rossford Jr-Sr High School program's goal is to improve core academic performance, strengthen social relationships, and provide a safe transitional location between school and afterschool extracurriculars with our supportive staff members. This afterschool program is offered to Rossford families at no cost.



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