

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Greetings Roughriders,

I hope this communication finds you well. Here we are entering March which signals the final 3 months of the year. In addition, and a bit more bittersweet, the final stretch of what is the current Roosevelt High School. We begin to enter a phase of "lasts" this spring, whether it being a final sporting event on the field, our gymnasium, a pep assembly, parent conferences, performing arts evenings in our auditorium or graduation. I have had the pleasure of speaking to so many of you parents who were also graduates of RHS and how fondly you speak of the school and the memories the building holds for each of you. I understand that 60 years is a long time, and hopefully we do a solid job of bringing over many of physical and community attributes of this building to the new RHS. Of course, the building will stay intact but will receive a much needed influx of resources to transition to the new Roosevelt Middle School in 2024.

This past week marked the deadline for all 9th through 11th grade students to complete their course requests for the fall. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's counselor as soon as possible. The next step for administration and counseling is to enter choices in Infinite Campus and then pull reports of student interest. From here, we will build our schedule and provide clarity to staff of what specific classes they will be teaching within their content area. Some important upcoming dates and events to remember are as follows:

3/4 Robotics State

3/7 and 3/9 Parent Teacher Conferences (3/7 is 3pm to 7pm and 3/9 is 3pm to 5pm)

3/8 Instrumental Music Concert 7pm

3/9 State Semifinal Girls Basketball 7pm

For Parent Teacher Conferences, please see the Sign Up Genius that is further down in the newsletter. We also sent this out as an email blast last Thursday. On 3/9, it will be an "open house" format, so no appointment is required.

In the past week, we have had some special student events worth mentioning. Last Friday, I was able to watch the Theatre Troupe perform *Clue*. It was quite funny and was loaded with creative takes on the original classic and plenty of "Dad" jokes. Not sure if I should be offended or not, but I'll steal a few so probably not. The actors in front of the curtain and the Theatre Tech crew who built the set did a great job. Bravo to these students:

Cast Members: Alexzander Anderson, Paige Strickland, Katelynn Davids, Lili Gomez, Hannah Martin, Cutler Terry, Jerron Hunt, Peyton Tiller, Alora Williams, Jessica Balderson, Sebastian Clifton, Ethan Wyatt, Porter Steere, Justin Steere, Joshua Walker, Kat Book.

Crew Members: Clover Johnson, Mat Bean, Timothy Coraggio, Kat Book, Kayla Maddox, Kat Burns, Alaska Scears, Abigale Stapley, Luka White, Ambria Frary, Avery Campbell, Gabrielle Burke, Micah McClain, Bambi Farquhar, Alynna Jackson & Ryan Tucker.

We also had the State Champion JV Cheer honored by the Board of Education last Wednesday as well. Congratulation to all of these students and their coaches: Addi Mosness, Ariana Ramirez, Chanel Alvarez, Cori Tapia, Esme Perez Gongora, Evelyn Miramontes, Hannah Brown, Isabella Rascon, Jordyn Gerold, Kelsey Long, Kylie Johnson, Madi Keddington, Mariana Perez, Nevaeh Wilson, Raina Moriarty, Coach Griffin and Coach Malvaney.

Congratulations to Varsity Cheer, who went to Nationals last weekend, and placed 4th in the CoEd division. What an accomplishment for the RHS team and community to compete at such a high level nationally. They are Addie Walton, Andrew Lara, Aspen Terrin, Ava Sisneros, Blake Berry, Brooklyn Naranjo, Carter Harmon, Dahlia Galindo, Elizar Valencia, Felicia Rodriguez, Gabby Smith, Gracie Effinger, Gulian Lara, Hayden Schmoyer, Haylee Sanchez, Jeryn

Cline, Kenzi Koch, Leah Brown, Lilly Hulbert, Mikkhi Sedey, Nicole McCarthy, Olivia Hays, Sadie Heller, Skylar Jones, Coach Mauch, Minton, Broze and Kroll.

Good Luck to the Girls' Varsity Basketball, who for the first time, advanced to the State Semi-Finals on Thursday. They will face Durango on 3/9 at 7:00pm at the Denver Coliseum. It was a thrilling game to watch, as RHS wore down Air Academy from Colorado Springs after falling behind by double digits. It was inspiring for our girls who demonstrated grit and perseverance as they pulled out a 51-47 victory.

Today, we did a send off for the Robotics team as they head down to State. The team, led by Mr. Walsh, and a host of parent volunteers, has steadily performed at a higher level each competition.

We hope to see as many of you as possible at our conferences or evening events. As always, have a safe and restful weekend.

David Benson
RHS Principal