Ripley Central School

"Home of the Eagles"

Learn today. Lead tomorrow!

10/2/2026

Dear RCS Families,

The school will be celebrating the Fall season on Monday, October 5th! Students will enjoy activities such as visiting the pumpkin patch, face painting, stomping grapes, and making apple cider. Please have your child wear rain boots or snow boots if available, as the field may be wet, and grape stomping can get messy. We will also have various sizes of boots on hand, but students who bring their own boots will be able to move through the stations more quickly. Please have clothes to keep your child warm in the event it's chilly. It's going to be a fantastic, fun-filled Fall day!

Next week our Open House will take place on Thursday, October 8, 2026 from 5:00–7:00 PM. At this time, you can meet your child's teacher, connect with local community organizations, and enjoy our annual Fall Literacy Night. We're thrilled to host the Scholastic Book Fair (4:30-8:00 pm) on this evening as well—it's the perfect opportunity to share a love of reading and stock up on cozy winter bedtime stories!

Don't forget to order your 2026-2027 Ripley Central School Yearbook! Capture all the special memories from this school year before it's too late. Yearbooks are $35 and make a great keepsake for your child. Order yours today so you don't miss out! *After October 31st, the price will increase to $37.*

The PTO has kicked off a Fall fundraiser. Visit this link to order by October 16th: https://pci.jotform.com/form/262654560501150

🌮 Each kit feeds 4-6 people
🗓️ Pick up Monday, 10/19 @ 4:30pm
📍 Ross Street Parking Lot (Ripley Central School)
🛑 Deadline to order is 10/16 @ noon
✨ There are only 52 kits left! Order your dinner today!

Save the dates:
October 9: School will not be in session due to staff in-service.
October 19: Picture day (This was originally scheduled for October 5th and has been rescheduled).

Have a great weekend, and I'll see you on Monday! Dress warm for Fall Fest!

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"Somewhere, inside all of us, is the power to change the world" – from Matilda by Roald Dahl, 1988

Upcoming Events

Friday, October 2
Treasure Seekers (at Baptist Church) 4:45 pm

Monday, October 5
Musical Rehearsal 4:30 pm
Stage Crew 4:30 pm
Speed Stacking 4:30 pm

Tuesday, October 6
Musical Rehearsal 4:30 pm
Speed Stacking 4:30 pm
Lego Explore 4:30 pm

Wednesday, October 7
Musical Rehearsal 4:30 pm
Stage Crew 4:30 pm
Speed Stacking 4:30 pm

Thursday, October 8
Musical Rehearsal 4:30 pm
Indoor Soccer 4:30 pm
Lego Explore 4:30

Book Fair 4:30-8:00 pm
Open House 5:00-7:00 pm
Literacy Night 5:00-7:00 pm

Friday, October 9
No School – In-Service Day

Monday, October 12
No School – Columbus Day

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Think, Choose, Act

Lead yourself to who you want to be.

This month, we're challenging students to envision future goals and take intentional steps toward who they want to be. ***We are partnering with you to grow and develop your child's ability to self-direct.*** *We can model self-direction by celebrating the positive in each day, seeking the good in others, and emphasizing our responsibility to make positive choices.*



1 ENGAGE: Find the Good!

Self-direct your thoughts and share Good Things as a family each day. After school, around the dinner table, or before bed, ask each family member to share something good from the day. We often see what we seek! Let's focus on finding the good.



2 EMPOWER: Make a Plan

If your student doesn't already use a planner, empower them to start using one to manage their time better. Have a weekly meeting with your student to share what they have added to their planners. You can help them add family gatherings, school events, and due dates.



3 EXCEL: Affirm Daily

Practice growing as a family through positive affirmations. At dinner or some point during the day, give affirmations to each other and share the good things you see. Take it to the next level and think of someone you could affirm outside your family. Challenge each family member to affirm or thank a different person every day this month for something they do or who they are. You can even handwrite a note to thank that person and send them the note in the mail.

Conversation Starters

- What is one way you can be more responsible at home or school?
- What is an activity you want to continue to improve?
- How do you feel when you finish a project?
- What is something you want to learn to do?

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