News Release
Richland County Community Unit School District No. 1
2026-2027 Registration Information

Richland County Schools will be offering online student registration for the 2026-2027 school year.

The online registration "window" will be open from **July 13th – July 20th, 2026.** ***Please note that the Skyward portal will undergo a mandatory system-wide upgrade beginning Friday, July 17th at 6:00 p.m. and concluding Sunday, July 19th at 6:00 p.m. The system will be entirely offline and inaccessible during this 48-hour window. Please plan your online registration accordingly.***

You will be able to register your students by going to Skyward Family Access and entering your username and password. Once Family Access opens, click on the **Start Registration** button and complete each form. Payments may be made online via RevTrak. Additional instructions will be provided during the online registration process.

If you have forgotten your username and/or password, please contact your student's school. We recognize that some parents may not have computer access or may require assistance with registration. In these cases, there will be time available at the individual schools where computers and staff assistance will be available:

Thursday, July 16th from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Physical examinations and immunizations are required for all students entering Pre-K, kindergarten, sixth (6th) grade and ninth (9th) grade prior to registration for the 2026-2027 school year. Students will be excluded from school if the required immunizations and physical are not completed. Immunization appointments are available at the Richland County Health Office at 618-392-6241. Dental exams are due by May 15 of the current school year and a dentist will come to the school, which can meet the dental requirement.

Below are the requirements for each of these grades:

Pre-K (new students only)	**Kindergarten**	**2nd Grade**	**6th Grade**	**9th Grade**	**12th Grade**
Immunization Requirements: *Call Richland County Health Office 392-6241*	**Immunization Requirements:** *Call Richland County Health Office 392-6241*	**Immunization Requirements:** None	**Immunization Requirements:** Tdap Meningitis Varicella (2 doses)	**Immunization Requirements:** *None if all previous requirements are met.*	**Immunization Requirements:** Meningitis
School Physical	School Physical	Dental exam	School Physical	School Physical	
Lead screening	Lead screening Vision exam Dental exam		Dental exam	Dental exam (added per Policy 7:100)	

Sports physicals are **not** acceptable as the ***school*** physical. However, the ***school*** physical will be accepted for the sports physical. Any student new to the district must also provide physical examination and immunization records. **Physical exam forms and updated immunization records must be turned in or mailed by Monday, August 10, 2026 or parent must show proof of appointment.**

All Health forms are available online at https://www.rccu1.net/browse/184436 including the School Medication Authorization form.

TRANSPORTATION: 2026-2027 – all transportation changes need to be made by the end of the day Monday, July 27th, to guarantee changes by the first day of school. Please contact the RCCU #1 Transportation Department at 618-393-7771 to submit any transportation changes. If requests are received after July 27th the transportation changes will not be in effect until Monday, August 17th. Bus drivers will contact riders living outside of the city limits with bus information.
No transportation changes after 10:00 a.m. during the school year.

A birth certificate is required for all Pre-K students, kindergarten students, and all transfer students.

The District will continue to provide free meals to all students. However, **when applying for waiver of registration fees**, you must know the gross monthly earnings for **each** household member, your food stamp or TANF/AFDC number, and your own social security number. **(A Medicaid Entitlement Card does not automatically qualify you for waiver of fees, you must still fill out an application)** Applications must be filled out yearly to receive these benefits.

Also, please be prepared to provide cell, work, and emergency phone numbers. **If you do not have a phone, you must provide a phone number that will allow the school to contact you in the event of an emergency**.

If you have questions, you may call the school your child will be attending at the phone number listed below:

Richland County Early Learning Center	618-395-7258
Richland County Elementary School	618-395-8540
Richland County Middle School	618-395-4372
Richland County High School	618-393-2191
RiseUp Alternative School	618-395-7259
District Office	618-395-2324

The first day of attendance for students will be Wednesday, August 12, 2026.

Students new to the district should call the school your child will be attending at the phone number listed above before registration day in order to minimize registration and scheduling problems.

All new students should have a certified copy of their birth certificate, health/immunization records, and if possible, transcripts from their previous schools.

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