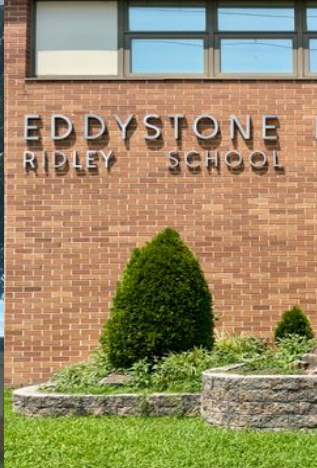


# Ridley School District MONTHLY NEWS



## It's Our Mission...

To create an environment that gives all students the opportunity to achieve their fullest personal and academic potential in order to become productive and responsible citizens

## Life Roles

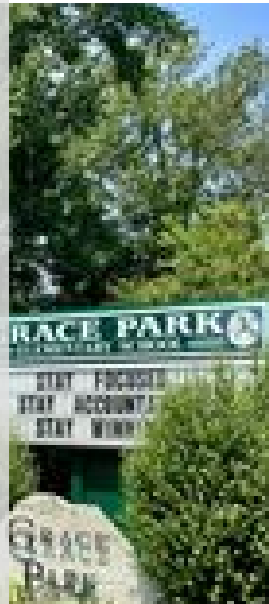
Self-directed Learner

Responsible Citizen

Collaborative Performer

Effective Communicator

Problem Solver



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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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JAN**

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Happy New Year**

**7  
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Instrumental Concert**

**14  
JAN**

**RHS Music Program Winter Choral  
Concert**

**19  
JAN**

**Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
Schools Closed**

[CLICK HERE FOR THE FULL DISTRICT CALENDAR](#)





# Ridley School District Comprehensive Plan Survey



## We Want Your Feedback

The Ridley School District is requesting input from the community as part of the Future Ready Comprehensive Planning process. Gathering feedback from families, staff, students, and community members is essential to understanding the needs of our educational community and establishing a strong framework for a comprehensive plan. **We invite you to complete the survey prior to January 16, 2026.** Thank you for taking the time to share your valuable input.

**Click Below to  
complete the survey**

<https://forms.gle/gUE4tZqFdMkZoUiV7>



# Kindergarten Registration

Kindergarten registration will be held by appointment only at each elementary school. Call to schedule an appointment.

## **Registration Dates & Contact Information** **School Phone Number (610) 534-1900**

### **Amosland Elementary Ext. 1401**

March 3rd, 4th, & 5th

### **Eddystone Elementary Ext. 1412**

March 3rd, 4th, & 5th

### **Edgewood Elementary Ext. 1421**

March 3rd, 4th, & 5th

### **Grace Park Elementary Ext. 1434**

March 3rd, 4th, & 5th

### **Lakeview Elementary Ext. 1444**

March 3rd & 4th

### **Leedom Elementary Ext. 1452**

March 3rd, 4th, & 5th

### **Woodlyn Elementary Ext. 1462**

March 3rd, 4th, 5th, & 6th

**Kindergarten  
Students must  
be 5 years old by  
September 1,  
2026.**



# Ridley Educational Foundation Events

REF has two exciting upcoming events to bring our community together while supporting Ridley students. **Join us on January 30, 2026, for a fun-filled Co-Ed Charity Bingo night at the Milmont Fire Hall**, featuring bingo, raffles, prizes, and more. Then, don't miss the high-energy excitement when the **Harlem Wizards take on the Ridley All-Stars on March 9, 2026, at Ridley High School**. Both events promise great fun while helping REF continue its mission of enriching educational opportunities across the district.



## BINGO NIGHT

Looking for an exciting way to spend your evening? Join the Ridley Educational Foundation for Bingo Night at the Milmont Fire Hall and experience the thrill of winning big while having a blast with friends!

**\$35 in advance. \$40 at the door.**

**Ten games, 50-50, raffle basket, and special games.**



**FRI, JAN 30**

**DOORS OPEN AT  
6:00. GAMES  
BEGIN AT 7:00**

**MILMONT FIRE  
HALL  
714 BELMONT AVE.  
FOLSOM, PA**

**[HTTPS://WWW.GIVESIGNUP.ORG/  
TICKETEVENT/REFDESIGNERBAGBINGO](https://www.givesignup.org/ticketevent/refdesignerbagbingo)**

## THE WIZARDS ARE COMING TO TOWN!



**HARLEM  
Wizards**

**VS.**

**Ridley All-Stars**

**VENUE: RIDLEY HIGH SCHOOL**

**DATE: MARCH 9, 2026 GAME TIME: 7 PM DOORS OPEN: 6 PM**



**SCAN TO BUY TICKETS  
OR VISIT [WWW.HARLEMWIZARDS.COM](http://WWW.HARLEMWIZARDS.COM)**

**[WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/THEHARLEMWIZARDS](https://www.facebook.com/theharlemwizards) [@HARLEMWIZARDS](https://twitter.com/harlemwizards) [@WORLD FAMOUS HARLEMWIZARDS](https://www.instagram.com/worldfamousharlemwizards)**





# DAVID LAUGHHEAD

## RIDLEY HIGH SCHOOL, CLASS OF 2017

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Ridley School District proudly recognizes alumnus David Laughhead for his dedication to supporting the mental and emotional well-being of the Ridley community. After graduating in 2017, David founded a organization, focused on promoting mental health awareness, reducing stigma, and providing accessible support and resources to those in need.

Through outreach, guidance, and compassionate support, David has helped individuals navigate personal challenges and feel less alone. He leads with empathy, listens without judgment, and consistently shows up for others, creating a safe and welcoming space for meaningful connection and understanding.

David's kindness, resilience, and commitment to service have made a lasting impact on our community. He is a true example of the values we strive to instill in our students, and we are proud to celebrate him as a Ridley alumnus.

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Each month, we will celebrate the outstanding contributions of our alumni and community members who inspire, lead, and make a difference. Whether it's through professional accomplishments, volunteer service, or everyday acts of kindness, we want to shine a light on the people who strengthen our Ridley School District family.

[Click Here To Fill Out Nominee Form](#)

We invite you to help us highlight these outstanding contributions by submitting a nominee through the survey link above.



# 🎵 Holiday Concerts Available on YouTube 🎵

## HIT PLAY ON HOLIDAY CHEER!



Missed the Ridley School District holiday concerts? Don't worry—you can watch them all on our YouTube page! From bands and orchestras to choirs and ensembles, our talented students brought the holiday spirit to life, and now you can enjoy the magic from home.

Check them out, share with family and friends, and celebrate the incredible Ridley musicians this season!



[WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/@RIDLEYSCHOOLDISTRICT](https://www.youtube.com/@RIDLEYSCHOOLDISTRICT)



# ***JOIN US IN CELEBRATING OUR SENIORS***



Ridley School District invites our families, friends, and community to come together and celebrate our outstanding senior student-athletes during upcoming Senior Night ceremonies.

## **Upcoming Senior Ceremonies:**

**January 27, 2026 – Boys' Basketball Senior Ceremony | 6:30 PM**

**January 29, 2026 – Girls' Basketball Senior Ceremony | 5:00 PM**

**January 29, 2026 – Swimming and Diving Senior Ceremonies | 6:00 PM**

**February 4, 2026 – Wrestling Senior Ceremony | 6:30 PM**

Let's fill the stands, show our Ridley pride, and celebrate the Class of 2026 together. We look forward to seeing you there!



## Ridley Students Honor Local Heroes at Luminary Walk

Members of DCTS Emergency and Protective Services and Ridley students who are active members of local fire companies participated in the Delaware County Fallen Firefighter and Police Officers Memorial “Luminary Walk” during the Festival of Lights at Rose Tree Park on Friday night.

Despite the chilly temperatures, students assembled and placed luminaries along the path to the memorials and at each name plaque within the memorials. They stood alongside community members walking the area, answering questions and sharing the significance of the event.

When the event concluded, the students helped clean up the area, demonstrating dedication, respect, and community spirit in honoring our fallen heroes.





# RHAPSODY CLAIMS 2ND PLACE IN B101 CHRISTMAS CHOIR COMPETITION!

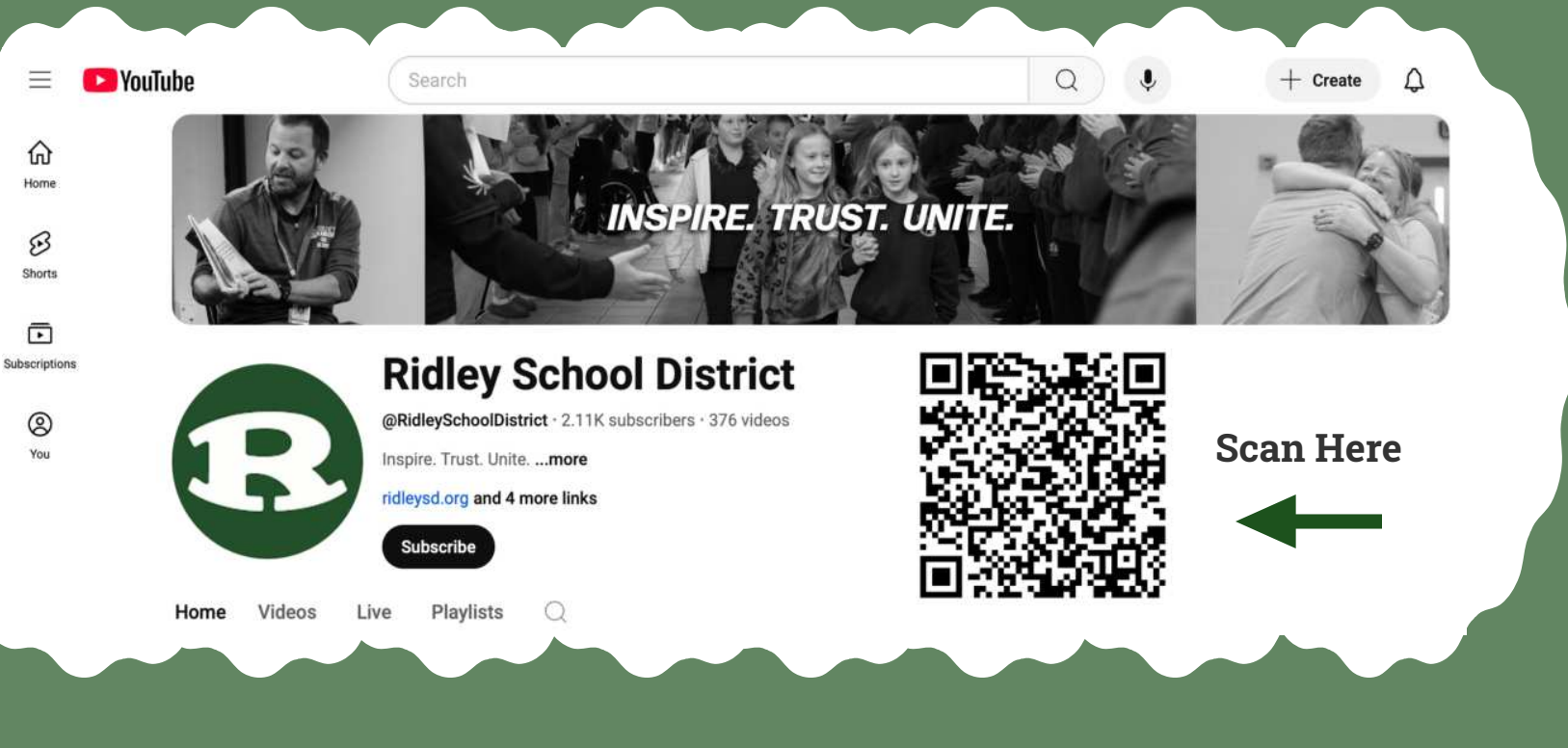
Congratulations to Ridley High School's a cappella group, Rhapsody, for earning 2nd place in B101's 2025 High School Division Christmas Choir Competition. Their spirited performance of "Like It's Christmas" not only wowed the community, but also earned \$2,000 for the Ridley High School music program!

Watch Rhapsody's music video here



Thank you to Rhapsody for showcasing their incredible talent and spreading holiday cheer throughout the community!





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All Around Amosland



Edgewood News Network



Woodlyn Broadcast

Stay connected with all things Ridley School District by visiting our official YouTube channels!

From student news to performances, sporting events, and community celebrations, our channels give you a front row seat to life at Ridley. Subscribe today so you never miss a highlight, and share in the pride of our students, staff, and schools.



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Welcome to Ridley High's School Store! The Locker is a student-run business that sells affordable Ridley merchandise online and in our store at RHS. All profits are donated back to the Ridley community, including the Ridley Educational Foundation, Ridley High School Business Club and Ridley Families in Need.



The Locker has released its Fall/Winter clothing line!! The new collection will feature a variety of seasonal spirit wear perfect for showing your Ridley pride throughout the colder months.

**Shop Now @ [Thelocker.biz](http://Thelocker.biz)**





# Join



# Team

Ridley School District is always looking for dedicated and enthusiastic individuals to join our team. We are currently seeking: Paraprofessionals - Food Service Staff - Bus Aides - and more!

To see current openings and apply, please visit our Employment Page



# Bullying Prevention: Breaking the Cycle of School Avoidance

MENTAL HEALTH NEWSLETTER



# BULLYING

## The connection between bullying and school avoidance:

**In their shoes...** Have you ever noticed that a child's backpack holds more than just books? It can carry fears and heartaches too heavy for their young shoulders. Some kids dread going to school because of bullying, feeling anxious, isolated, and desperate for a sense of safety and belonging. Together, we can be the difference these children need.

**What is Bullying?** Bullying is the ongoing misuse of power in relationships, often through repetitive verbal, physical, or social actions meant to harm others. It can involve individuals or groups using their perceived power to target those who feel unable to stop it.

## What is School Avoidance?

School avoidance, or school refusal, refers to a child's anxiety about school and their refusal to attend. It's usually a symptom of an underlying issue.

## When Bullying and School Avoidance Mix...

Adults should be alert when bullying and school avoidance overlap. Addressing this requires collaboration between parents, schools, and the community. With strong support, parents can help children regain confidence and navigate these challenges.

## Steps to Address the Issue of School Avoidance and Bullying:

**Recognize Signs:** Identify signs of bullying and school avoidance in your child.

**Open Communication:** Regularly talk with your child and check how they're feeling.

**Track Incidents:** Write down bullying incidents, including dates and details.

**Involve the School:** Report bullying and create a plan together.

**Seek Professional Help:** Find a mental health professional to support your child.

**Speak Up:** Advocate for your child's needs at school.

**Teach Resilience:** Teach coping skills and confidence.

**Stay Informed:** Learn about school policies and bullying prevention.







care/solace

# It's okay to ask for help.



Save our number! (888) 515-0595

Care Solace is a free, confidential service that connects students, staff and their families to mental health providers, substance use treatment, and social services matched to their needs.

**Scan the code or use your link:**  
**[www.caresolace.com/ridley](http://www.caresolace.com/ridley)**

If you have a life-threatening emergency, please call 911 or the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline at 988. Care Solace is not an emergency response service or mental health services provider.



