



THE INSIDE VIEW

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RGSD COMMUNITY SHOWS UP FOR DEC. 13 TOWN HALL ON SCHOOL SAFETY

RGSD staff, parents, students, community partners and community leaders packed the lecture hall at Westview Middle School on Tuesday, Dec. 13 for the District's Town Hall, focused on school safety, bullying, student behavior and wellness.

At the town hall, District leaders, law enforcement officials and community partners shared critical information on issues affecting scholars in the District and community. The District shared numbers on absences, weapons, disciplinary issues and other challenges affecting the learning environment to inform and enlighten the community.

District stakeholders were also given an opportunity to speak at the Town Hall to share questions, concerns and feedback on the

RIVERVIEW GARDENS SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



IMPORTANT DATES

12/19 - 01/01

WINTER BREAK
DISTRICT CLOSED



01/02

TEACHER WORK DAY

01/03

STUDENTS RETURN



01/10

SAB MEETING | 7PM

01/18

PAC RESOURCE FAIR | 6PM
@ MO-ECAC

01/24

SAB MEETING/STATE OF THE DISTRICT | 7PM @ FCRC

01/25

PAC RESOURCE FAIR | 6PM
@ WESTVIEW MIDDLE

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on the information that was presented.

The town hall meeting was the second event for the 2022-2023 school year.

RGSD will host a State of the District on Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at the Family and Community Resource Center (FCRC), located at 1160 St Cyr Rd. The State of the District will take place during the Special Administrative Board meeting from 6-7:30 PM.

The District will also host a Public Hearing for the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education at the FCRC building on Thursday, February 9 from 6-7:30 PM.

Parents, scholars, staff and community members are invited and encouraged to attend both events to stay informed about the state of the District as Riverview Gardens School District works towards regaining full accreditation. View the full video of the town hall on [YouTube](#).



MOLINE ELEMENTARY HOLIDAY CONCERT

Moline Elementary School hosted its Winter Concert on Tuesday, Dec. 13.

The concert featured 4th and 5th Grade scholars at Moline Elementary. It was produced by Music Teacher Stephanie Engelmeyer.

View the full concert on the RGSD [YouTube](#) page.




Danforth Elementary School hosted its second Movie Night on Friday, Dec. 9.

"Danforth Movie Nights provide a fun activity for parents, scholars and staff," said Principal Dominic LeNoir. "They also help us to build relationships and a community spirit with families."

Proceeds from Danforth Movie Nights will support the school's Jan. 28 Sneaker Ball.

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WEDNESDAY
JANUARY 18TH
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1111 St. Cyr Road
St. Louis, MO 63137

6:00PM - 7:30PM

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A NEW VIEW ON THE HORIZON

HIRING NOW

COMMUNICATIONS SPECIALIST I (34660)

Duties

- Protects and promotes the Riverview Gardens School District brand, students, Board and staff
- Builds and maintains positive relationships between the schools and the Communications Department in order to develop a cache of potential news stories
- Assists with recording, editing and producing multimedia content including videos, podcasts and graphics used to promote RGSD
- Provides and posts updated news and informational content to the RGSD website

Qualifications

- Bachelor's degree preferred. Emphasis in communications, journalism, public relations, business, or related field is preferred
- Three years of recent writing, editing, and graphics design experience preferred
- Strong customer service and interpersonal skills
- Excellent speaking, writing, and proof-reading skills
- Must be organized and have the ability to multi-task in a fast-paced environment

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#RIVERVIEWEXCELLENCE

LASHANDA JOHNSON EARNS DOCTORATE FROM MARYVILLE UNIVERSITY

Dr. LaShanda Johnson, principal at Koch Elementary School recently earned her doctorate degree. Johnson earned a Doctorate in Educational Leadership from Maryville University.

Johnson is a proud graduate of Riverview Gardens High School, Class of 2001. She has been working in the District for 14 years.

Congratulations to Dr. Johnson.



Dr. LaShanda Johnson

THE POSITIVE ZONE AT WESTVIEW MIDDLE

Ralph Mason and The Positive Zone Corporation hosted an assembly at Westview Middle School on Friday, Dec. 16 to bring celebration and positivity as students and staff prepared for Winter Break.

The assembly focused on bullying, respect, academic achievement, attitude and attendance. The Positive Zone featured a live band with songs of inspiration and positive fun for staff and children.

The Positive Zone Corporation is currently in talks with Riverview Gardens School District to partner with the District through its One Family, One Goal Initiative to positively impact student relations, build strong character, and build educator capacity to provide therapeutic support to students in a classroom setting.



A NEW VIEW ON THE HORIZON

By Dr. Joylynn Pruitt-Adams, Superintendent



Greetings Riverview Gardens family!

By family I mean our staff, administrators, support staff, parents, community members and most importantly our scholars.

I want to thank each and everyone of you, staff members, Board members, community members, parents, partner agencies and scholars, who were able to come out to support us into town hall on school safety and mental health. It is our hope that the information shared was useful and helpful as we move forward with this school year.

I also want to do a special shout-out to our student rep to the school board, Precious Barry, and to the young ladies from DECA, who provided child care services. Thank you for all that you do!

Beginning with the start of school on January 3, 2023, staff IDs will be required. If you have not yet received an ID please follow up with your building principal. This is a requirement as part of one of our safety measures for the District.

January 24th, we invite everyone to come to a SAB meeting at the Family & Community Resource Center (FCRC), located at 1160 St. Cyr Rd. I will be sharing the State of the District information as it relates to our most recent Missouri Assessment Program test results, graduation rates, attendance rates and data as we move towards full accreditation with the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).

February 9th, we will host the DESE hearing. We also encourage you to come out at that time to have your voice is heard regarding the good things as well as any questions or concerns you may have about Riverview Gardens School District.

The public hearing is the State's way of learning more about our district and the efforts that we are making towards full accreditation. Parents, students, community partners and staff are encouraged to participate as we develop our new Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP), which is a five-year strategic plan that guides the District along its academic journey, as well as equity, finances and community engagement.

We will be asking for the voice of students, parents, community members and staff.

Last, but not least, as we close out the calendar year, on behalf of Central Services, I would like to wish each and everyone of you a wonderful holiday season! Be safe, enjoy the Winter Break by spending time with family, friends and loved ones. Be sure to get in some rest and relaxation. You deserve it!

We'll see you in January! Take care!

