



Rainier Preschool & Hudson Park Elementary School
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The Rainier School District is a spirited learning community that is student-centered, safe, academically-focused, and dedicated to preparing every student for success in the global society in which we live.

December 1, 2022

Dear Families,

Thank you for your participation in fall conferences! We thoroughly enjoyed being able to host the conferences in-person last month. If you were unable to schedule a conference, please reach out to your student's teacher or call the Hudson Park office. Our goal is to meet with 100% of all families for fall conferences. Developing a partnership between school and home is imperative to the success of each student, so thank you for your support.

Tutoring

Beginning Tuesday, December 6, 2022, Hudson Park Elementary will provide tutoring for students in grades K-6 after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students will be working on reading i-Ready My Path on Tuesdays and math i-Ready My Path on Thursdays, which provides individualized lessons online based on students' beginning of year i-Ready assessment results. Students participating in the tutoring will be provided a snack and will be able to ride the activities bus home, which departs from the junior senior high school @ 4:15. Please complete one registration form for each student you would like to participate in tutoring. The registration deadline is Friday, December 2, 2022. Please email Principal Keplinger with any questions about tutoring: megan_keplinger@rsd.k12.or.us.

Briarcliff Pool Activities/Swim Lessons

We are excited to announce an upcoming event during winter break, **Swimming with Santa**, December 19 from 3-6 p.m. @ the Briarcliff Pool. Cost is \$15/ticket and tickets can be purchased prior to the event at the Briarcliff Pool or the District Office. Click here for the event [flyer](#).

We will continue with the same swim lessons schedule this month and next, which includes swimming on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday only. On Mondays and Fridays, we will provide regular PE instruction instead of swim lessons. Students in grades 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 will continue with swim lessons through the end of the first semester (January 26, 2023). See below for the December and January swim lessons schedule. Students in PreK (tentative), K, 6, and multi-age will participate in swim lessons February through June 2023. A schedule for second semester swim lessons will be sent out prior to the start of swim lessons in February 2023. Please email your questions about the Briarcliff Pool to pool manager, Destinee Ryder, destinee_ryder@rsd.k12.or.us.

K-6 Awards Assembly, January 2023

We are excited to announce our first in-person awards assembly this year, which will take place in the Hudson Park Elementary gym, Tuesday, January 31, 2023 @ 1:30. We will be presenting awards, enjoy a school spirit half-time show put on by staff, and end with our Cougar Credit prize drawing, which will be for the months of December and January. Mark your calendar if you'd like to attend. All visitors will need to check in at the Hudson Park main office window first.

Donations Needed

We are grateful for the donations we have received thus far! Thank you! We will continue to accept donations of the following items throughout the school year:

- New or like-new swimsuits children's size 10/12 or larger (We do not need swim trunks at this time.)
- New, reusable water bottles
- Playground equipment (E.g., basketballs, soccer balls, wall balls, jump ropes, soft footballs only, etc.)

Please drop off your donations at the Hudson Park Elementary office window or send them to school with your student along with a note indicating the items are a donation.

Kindles for Books Program

Hudson Park students (grades K-6) are making progress toward the lofty target of meeting our reading goals 2,925 times this school year! Questions about the Kindles for Books Program? Email the program coordinator, Louise Johnson, louise_johnson@rsd.k12.or.us.

Volunteers

Please consider joining our school volunteer program as our students greatly benefit from your involvement! To become an approved volunteer, please complete the volunteer packet and submit it to the district office. Click [here](#) to access the volunteer packet online. A print copy of the volunteer packet is also available at the school office. Please note, volunteers must be fully vaccinated, or apply for an exception, which is outlined on the volunteer webpage linked [here](#).

HPE Office

The Hudson Park Elementary office is open weekdays from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Please stop by the outside office window to conduct school business in-person. To contact the office via phone, call: 503.556.0196. You may also email the office secretaries:

Erin Knox, erin_knox@rsd.k12.or.us
Carrie Vawter, carrie_vawter@rsd.k12.or.us

School Schedule/Calendar

[District Calendar](#)

[Preschool Calendar](#)

Student Daily Schedule:

8:00 a.m.-2:45 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

8:00 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Wednesdays ***EARLY RELEASE**

****Students may be dropped off no earlier than 7:45 a.m. each day. Staff are unable to provide supervision for students prior to 7:45 a.m.***

Attendance

Thank you for recognizing the importance of regular attendance at school, and for notifying the school when your student will be absent. Please note that students' attendance is monitored and letters will be sent to families with excessive absences.

Transportation

Please call 503.556.9140 with any transportation-related questions or concerns. Click [here](#) for bus route information including the 2022-2023 Snow Routes.

Nutrition Services

To access the December menus, click [here](#). Breakfast is provided at no charge for all students. Lunch for K-5 is \$3.25 and for grades 6-12 is \$3.75. To add money to your student's lunch account, click [here](#) to access Mealtime Online. You may also send a check or cash with your student to school and the money will be added to your student's lunch account.

Free and reduced lunch program applications can be completed [online](#). Hard copies are also available at the HPE office. Please email Nutrition Services Director, Debby Webster, with any questions: debby_webster@rsd.k12.or.us

Student Services

If you have questions about student services, please feel free to reach out to Heidi Schafer, Student Services Director, 503.556.9121, or email heidi_schafer@rsd.k12.or.us.

Reading Interventions

Louise Johnson, Hudson Park's Reading Specialist, is providing reading support to students in grades 1-6. If your 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th grader receives extra support from Mrs. Johnson, they should be bringing one or two books home each week to continue practicing the phonics skills they are working on in the reading intervention group. Thank you for all you do to support and encourage your reader! Questions about reading support? Email Louise Johnson, louise_johnson@rsd.k12.or.us.

Counseling

If you feel your student needs counseling support, please contact Sara Gray to arrange for services by emailing sara_gray@rsd.k12.or.us or calling the Hudson Park Elementary office.

Important Dates

12/1	No school for all students and staff, Snow Day
12/2	No school for Rainier Preschool & Head Start students only. K-12 students have a regular school day.
12/5	Monday/Wednesday tutoring begins for students signed up, 3:00-4:15 p.m.
12/6	Tuesday/Thursday tutoring begins for students signed up, 3:00-4:15 p.m.
12/7	Early Release, Dismissal @ 12:45 p.m., Grades PreK-6 Early Release, Dismissal @ 1:00 p.m., Grades 7-12
12/12	Regular School Board Meeting , 6:30 p.m., Board Room & streamed live
12/14	Early Release, Dismissal @ 12:45 p.m., Grades PreK-6 Early Release, Dismissal @ 1:00 p.m., Grades 7-12
12/15	Holiday lunch, FREE to all students and staff *Rescheduled from Thanksgiving
12/16	No school for Rainier Preschool & Head Start students only. K-12 students have a regular school day. <u>Purchased spirit wear and merchandise will be sent home with your student or available for pick-up @ HPE office</u>

12/17-1/2	No school for all students and staff, Winter Break
12/19	Swimming with Santa, 3-6 p.m., Briarcliff Pool \$15/ticket
1/3/2023	School resumes
1/31/2023	K-6 Awards Assembly @ 1:30 p.m., HPE Gym

December 2022 and January 2023 Swim Lessons Schedule

12/1	No school for all students and staff, Snow Day
12/2	No swim lessons. Regular PE class.
12/5	No swim lessons. Regular PE class.
12/6	Baril (1st)-8:35-9:10 Peterson (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Schumacher (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Askew (4th)-10:35-11:10 Miller (5th)-11:10-11:45
12/7	Bigham (1st)-8:35-9:10 Shelton (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Taylor (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Crawford (4th)-10:35-11:10 Shockley (5th)-11:10-11:45
12/8	Geringer (1st)-8:35-9:10 St. John (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Thompson (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Ricker (4th)-10:35-11:10 Zasta (5th)-11:10-11:45
12/9	No swim lessons. Regular PE class.
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12/13	Baril (1st)-8:35-9:10 Peterson (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Schumacher (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Askew (4th)-10:35-11:10 Miller (5th)-11:10-11:45

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12/16	No swim lessons. Regular PE class.
1/2	No school for all students and staff, New Year's Day (Observed)
1/3	Baril (1st)-8:35-9:10 Peterson (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Schumacher (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Askew (4th)-10:35-11:10 Miller (5th)-11:10-11:45
1/4	Bigham (1st)-8:35-9:10 Shelton (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Taylor (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Crawford (4th)-10:35-11:10 Shockley (5th)-11:10-11:45
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1/11	Bigham (1st)-8:35-9:10 Shelton (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Taylor (2nd)-9:55-10:30

	Crawford (4th)-10:35-11:10 Shockley (5th)-11:10-11:45
1/12	Geringer (1st)-8:35-9:10 St. John (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Thompson (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Ricker (4th)-10:35-11:10 Zasta (5th)-11:10-11:45
1/13	No swim lessons. Regular PE class.
1/16	No school for all students and staff, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
1/17	Baril (1st)-8:35-9:10 Peterson (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Schumacher (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Askew (4th)-10:35-11:10 Miller (5th)-11:10-11:45
1/18	Bigham (1st)-8:35-9:10 Shelton (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Taylor (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Crawford (4th)-10:35-11:10 Shockley (5th)-11:10-11:45
1/19	Geringer (1st)-8:35-9:10 St. John (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Thompson (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Ricker (4th)-10:35-11:10 Zasta (5th)-11:10-11:45
1/20	No swim lessons. Regular PE class.
1/23	No swim lessons. Regular PE class.
1/24	LAST DAY OF SWIM LESSONS Baril (1st)-8:35-9:10 Peterson (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Schumacher (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Askew (4th)-10:35-11:10 Miller (5th)-11:10-11:45
1/25	LAST DAY OF SWIM LESSONS Bigham (1st)-8:35-9:10 Shelton (3rd)-9:15-9:50 Taylor (2nd)-9:55-10:30 Crawford (4th)-10:35-11:10

	Shockley (5th)-11:10-11:45
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1/27	No school for all students, Grade Day

The entire Hudson Park Elementary staff is thankful for your commitment to a positive and successful school to home partnership as we all engage in this important work of learning.

Educationally yours,



Megan Keplinger

Principal

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megan_keplinger@rsd.k12.or.us

Under Oregon law, (ORS, Chapter 339), all students between the ages of 6 and 18, who have not completed grade 12, are required to attend school regularly unless otherwise exempted by law. All students, five years of age, who have been enrolled in a public school are also required to attend regularly. "Regular attendance" means attendance which does not include more than eight unexcused one-half day absences, or the equivalent thereof, in any four-week period in which the school is in session. Oregon state law requires that we withdraw students who miss ten consecutive days of school. If a student is absent for any reason for ten consecutive days, they will be withdrawn from school and will have to re-enroll when they return.

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1. mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; or
2. fax: (833) 256-1665 or (202) 690-7442; or
3. email: program.intake@usda.gov

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