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Student Handbook

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Introduction

Red Rock Central students and parents:

The Red Rock Central School Administration and its faculty welcome you. Our goal is excellence in education. Superior education is only possible where there is mutual understanding and close cooperation between the home and school. The Administration and teachers welcome visits from parents. We welcome your cooperation, your suggestions, and your comments. Our goal is to create a safe, friendly, and enjoyable educational atmosphere.

Todd Lee, Superintendent and K - 4 Principal
Greg Ewing, 5 - 12 Principal
Colby Pack, Dean of Students

Red Rock Central Schools Mission Statement

In partnership with families and communities, the mission of Red Rock Central Schools is for all students to achieve their highest potential through academic excellence and personal growth.

Vision Statement

Empowering Rural America's Next Generation

The Red Rock Central Student Handbook is comprised of four parts:

1) General Information;
2) Academic information;
3) Rules and Discipline; and
4) Health and Safety.

All topics within these categories are alphabetized.

Policy Information:

All School Board approved policies can be accessed on the Red Rock Central School Website under the District Tab and Policies link

PART I – GENERAL INFORMATION

Arrival and Dismissal Hours

School building hours are from 7:40 AM - 3:45 PM. Please do not drop off students before 7:40 AM as staff are not available until that time to supervise students. All morning student drop off should take place on 6th Avenue on the north side of the school building. All afternoon pick up should be planned for Main Street, across from the north side of the building.

Calendar

The school calendar is adopted annually by the school board. A copy of the school calendar can be found on the school district's website.

Complaints

Students, parents/guardians, employees, or other persons may report concerns or complaints to the school district. Complaints may be either written or oral. People are encouraged, but not required, to file a written complaint at the building level where appropriate. The appropriate administrator will respond in writing to the complaining party regarding the school district's response to the complaint.

E-Learning Day Plan

Click Link for E-Learning Plan

Eighteen-Year-Old Students

The age of majority for most purposes in Minnesota is 18 years of age. All students, regardless of age, are governed by the rules for students provided in school district policy and this handbook.

Employee Directory

Click Link for Staff Directory

Fees Required

Breakfast / Lunch:

6-12 grade Hot Lunch:	Free	Elementary Hot Lunch: Free	
6-12 grade Breakfast:	Free	Elementary Breakfast: Free	
Adult Hot Lunch $5.00		Adult Breakfast: $2.40	Extra Milk: $0.50

Admissions:

Adults: $7.00 Students: $5.00

Athletic Season Passes:

Adults: $55	Grades K-12: No Charge	Staff: No Charge
Family Max: $110	Senior Citizens 55+: $30	Lifetime 65+: $50

Athletic Participation Fees:

Grades 6-8: $25	Grades 9-12 (1st): $50	Grades 9-12 (2nd): $40
Grades 9-12 (3rd): $30	Family Max: $175	

Drama Fee:

$25 per activity Family Max: $75

Instrument Rental:

Grades 7-12: $60	Grades 7-12 percussion: $30
Elementary: $35	Elementary percussion: $20

Driver Education:

Resident $300 Non-Resident: $400

Students will be charged for textbooks, workbooks, and library books that are lost or destroyed. The school district may waive a required fee or deposit if the student and parent/guardian are unable to pay. For more information, contact Mr. Ewing.

Food in the Classrooms

Candy and snack items sold on the noon ala carte will be eaten in the cafeteria, unless purchased for an after school snack. All breakfast will be eaten in the Commons.

Fundraising

All fundraising activities conducted by student groups and organizations and/or parent groups must be approved in advance by Activities Director Mr. Colby Pack. Participation in non approved fundraising activities is a violation of this policy. Solicitations of students or employees by students for nonschool-related activities will not be allowed during the school day.

Graduation Ceremony

Student participation in the graduation ceremony is a privilege, not a right. Students who have completed the requirements for graduation are allowed to participate in graduation exercises, unless participation is denied for appropriate reasons, which may include discipline. Graduation exercises are under the control and direction of the building principal.

Holiday Celebrations and Parties

The elementary school classes may celebrate Halloween, Christmas, and Valentine's Day, and any other celebrations that teachers deem appropriate. Pre-packaged Birthday treats may be brought and shared with classmates. We cannot allow the children to bring and share homemade treats.

Interviews of Students by Outside Agencies

Students may not be interviewed during the school day by persons other than a student's parents/guardians or school district officials, employees, and/or agents, except as provided by law and/or school policy.

Library and Media Center

The library/media center is open during regular school hours. Students may use the library/media center during the school day and after school only when a supervisor is present.

Lunch

Lunch is to be eaten in designated areas only. Lunch times vary by grade levels. Students will be notified of their assigned lunch time on the first day of school. Students may receive a lunch at school or bring a prepared lunch from home. Milk will be available to supplement lunches brought from home. Students have been granted the privilege of using the cafeteria and its facilities during the lunch period as well as during other specified times. It is to be understood that this privilege can and will be revoked if the ordinary rules of courtesy and conduct are ignored. Lunch, sack lunches, food of any kind, including fruit juices, fruit, milk and ice cream are to be consumed only in the cafeteria. Popping of milk cartons or sacks, loud noises or rudeness of any kind will not be considered acceptable conduct.

Messages to Students

Office telephones are not for students' personal use. Students will not be called out of class to receive phone messages except in the event of an emergency. Personal cell phone use during the instructional day is prohibited.

Nondiscrimination

The school district is committed to inclusive education and providing an equal educational opportunity for all students. The school district does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, parental status, status with regard to public assistance, disability, sexual orientation, including gender identity and expression, or age in its programs and activities. The

school board has designated Mr. Todd Lee as the district's human rights officer to handle inquiries regarding nondiscrimination.

Notice of Violent Behavior by Students

The school district will give notice to teachers and other appropriate school district staff before students with a history of violent behavior are placed in their classrooms. Prior to giving this notice, district officials will inform the student's parent or guardian that the notice will be given. The student's parents/guardians have the right to review and challenge their child's records, including the data documenting the history of violent behavior.

Parent and Teacher Conferences

Parent and teacher conferences will be held once in the Fall Semester. For more information, contact Mr. Todd Lee or Mr. Greg Ewing.

Parent Volunteers

Parents/guardians are welcome in the schools and are encouraged to volunteer in their children's classrooms. To volunteer in the school district, parents/guardians should speak to Mr. Todd Lee. To volunteer in the school building or classroom, parents/guardians should contact the office. Parents/guardians who visit the school should sign in at the office before entering a classroom.For more information, contact Mr. Todd Lee.

Pledge of Allegiance

Students will recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America daily, if possible, but not less frequently than weekly. Any person who does not wish to participate in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance for any personal reason may elect not to do so. Students must respect another person's right to make that choice. Students will also receive instruction in the proper etiquette toward, correct display of, and respect for the flag.

Schedule

2024 - 2025 Bell Schedule

1st Period:	8:15 - 9:04
2nd Period:	9:07 - 9:56
3rd Period:	9:59 - 10:48
4th Period:	10:51 - 11:40
4A Period:	11:43 - 12:33
5th Period:	12:36 - 1:25
6th Period:	1:28 - 2:17
7th Period:	2:20 - 3:09

Elementary Lunch Periods:

K	10:47 - 11:12
1 - 2 Lunch:	10:51 - 11:16
K - 2 Recess:	11:16 - 11:40
3 - 6 Recess:	10:51 - 11:16
3 - 6 Lunch:	11:16 - 11:40

4A Lunch Periods:

Choir Students Lunch:	11:40 - 12:00
7th - 8th Grade Lunch:	11:40 - 12:05
9th - 12th Grade 5A:	11:40 - 12:05
9th - 12th Choir:	12:03 - 12:33
7th - 8th Grade 5A:	12:08 - 12:33
9th-12th Grade Lunch:	12:08 - 12:33

2024 - 2025 Early Out Bell Schedule		**2024 - 2025 Late Start Schedule**
1st Period:	8:15 - 8:48	1st Period:10:15 - 10:45
2nd Period:	8:51 - 9:24	2nd Period:10:48 - 11:18
3rd Period:	9:27 - 10:00	3rd Period:11:21 - 11:51
4th Period:	10:03 - 10:36	4th Period:11:54 - 12:24
5th Period:	10:30 - 11:12	4A 12:27 - 1:27
6th Period:	11:15 - 11:48	5th Period: 1:30 - 2:01
4A Period:	11:51 - 12:51	6th Period: 2:04 - 2:35
7th Period:	12:54 - 1:29	7th Period:2:38 - 3:09
Elementary Lunch Periods:		**Elementary Lunch Periods:**
K - 2 Lunch:	10:36 - 11:03	11:18 - 11:43
K - 2 Recess:	10:36 - 11:03	11:43 - 12:08
3 - 6 Recess:	11:06 - 10:33	11:18 - 11:43
3 - 6 Lunch:	11:06 - 11:33	11:43 - 12:08
4A Lunch Periods:		**4A Lunch Periods:**
Choir Students Lunch:	11:54 - 12:17	12:27 - 12:49
7th - 8th Grade Lunch:	11:54 - 12:21	12:27 - 12:52
9th - 12th Grade 4A:	11:54 - 12:21	12:27 - 12:52
9th - 12th Choir:	12:20 - 12:51	12:52 - 1:27
7th - 8th Grade 4A:	12:24 - 12:51	12:55 - 1:27
9th-12th Grade Lunch:	12:24 - 12:51	12:55 - 1:27

School Activities

The school district provides opportunities for students to pursue special interests that contribute to their physical, mental, and emotional health. Formal instruction is the school district's priority.

Students who participate in school-sponsored activities are expected to responsibly represent the school and community. All rules pertaining to student conduct and student discipline apply to school activities.

All spectators at school-sponsored activities are expected to behave appropriately. Students and employees may be subject to discipline. Parents/guardians and other spectators may be subject to sanctions for inappropriate, illegal, or unsportsmanlike behavior at these activities or events.

The Red Rock Central School District is a member of the Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL). Students who participate in MSHSL activities must abide by the MSHSL rules. The district will enforce all MSHSL rules during the school year and in the summer as applicable.

Employees who conduct MSHSL activities will cover applicable rules, penalties, and opportunities with students and parents/guardians prior to the start of an activity. For more information about the MSHSL rules and student eligibility requirements, contact Activities Director, Colby Pack or refer to the Activities page of the Red Rock Central Website.

School Closing Procedures

School may be canceled when the superintendent believes severe weather or other circumstances threaten the safety of students and employees. The superintendent will decide as early in the day as possible about closing school or school buildings. When school is canceled before the buses depart to pick up the children in the morning, WCCO, KDOM, KLGR, KMHL, KARE AND KSTP will be used exclusively. When school is in session and school is dismissed early due to an approaching storm, the announcement will be made on WCCO, KDOM, KLGR, KMHL, KARE AND KSTP. Any policy changes will be given advance notice, and be posted on student bulletin boards.

Searches

In the interest of student safety and to ensure that schools are drug free, district authorities may conduct searches. Students violate school policy when they carry contraband on their person or in their personal possessions or store contraband in desks, lockers, or vehicles parked on school property. "Contraband" means any unauthorized item, the possession of which is prohibited by school district policy and/or law. If a search yields contraband, school officials will seize the item(s) and, when appropriate, give the item(s) to legal officials for ultimate disposition. Students found to be in violation of this policy are subject to discipline in accordance with the school district's "Student Discipline" policy, which may include suspension, exclusion, expulsion, and, when appropriate, the student may be referred to legal officials.

Lockers and Personal Possessions Within a Locker

Under Minnesota law, school lockers are school district property. At no time does the school district relinquish its exclusive control of lockers provided for students' convenience. School officials may inspect the interior of lockers for any reason at any time, without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant.

Students' personal possessions within a school locker may be searched only when school officials have a reasonable suspicion that the search will uncover evidence of a violation of law or school rules. As soon as practicable after the search of a student's personal possessions, the school officials will provide notice of the search to students whose lockers were searched, unless disclosure would impede an ongoing investigation by police or school officials.

Desks

School desks are school district property. At no time does the school district relinquish its exclusive control of desks provided for students' convenience. School officials may inspect the interior of desks for any reason at any time, without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant.

Personal Possessions and Student's Person

The personal possessions of a student and/or a student's person may be searched when school officials have a reasonable suspicion that the search will uncover a violation of law or school rules. The search will be reasonable in its scope and intrusiveness

Patrols, Inspections and Searches of Vehicles on Campus

School officials may conduct routine patrols of student parking lots and other school district locations and routine inspections of the exteriors of the motor vehicles of students. Such patrols and inspections may be conducted without notice, without student consent, and without a search warrant. The interior of a student's motor vehicle, including the glove and trunk compartments, in a school district location may be searched when school officials have a reasonable suspicion that the search will uncover a violation of law and/or school policy or rule. The search will be reasonable in its scope and intrusiveness. Such searches may be conducted without notice, without consent, and without a search warrant. A student will be subject to loss of parking privileges and to discipline if the student refuses to open a locked motor vehicle or its compartments under the student's control upon a school official's request.

Student and Staff Publications and Materials - recommended

The school district's policy is to protect students' and staffs' free speech rights while, at the same time, preserving the district's obligation to provide a learning environment that is free of disruption. All school publications are under the supervision of the building principal and/or sponsor. Non School-sponsored publications may not be distributed without prior approval.

School-Sponsored Student Publications

The school district may exercise editorial control over the style and content of student expression in school-sponsored publications and activities. Faculty advisors shall supervise student writers to ensure compliance with the law and school district policies. Students producing official school publications and participating in school activities will be under the supervision of a faculty advisor and the school principal. "Official school publications" means school newspapers, yearbooks, or material produced in communications, journalism, or other writing classes as part of the curriculum. Expression in an official school publication or school-sponsored activity is prohibited when the material:

- Is obscene to minors;
- Is libelous or slanderous;
- Advertises or promotes any product or service not permitted for minors by law;
- Encourages students to commit illegal acts or violate school regulations or substantially disrupts the orderly operation of school or school activities;
- Expresses or advocates sexual, racial, or religious harassment or violence or prejudice;
- Is distributed or displayed in violation of time, place, and manner regulations.

Expression in an official school publication or school-sponsored activity is subject to school district editorial control over the style and content when the school district's actions are reasonably related to legitimate pedagogical concerns. Official school publications may be distributed at reasonable times and locations.

Student Records

Student records are classified as public, private, or confidential. State and federal laws protect student records from unauthorized inspection or use and provide parents/guardians and eligible students with certain rights. For the purposes of student records, an "eligible" student is one who is 18 or older or who is enrolled in an institution of post-secondary education. For more information on the rights of parents/guardians and eligible students regarding student records, see "Student Records" (*Appendix 3*). A complete copy of the school district's "Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records" policy may be obtained by contacting the school office.

Student Surveys

Occasionally, the school district utilizes surveys to obtain student opinions and information about students. For complete information on the rights of parents/guardians and eligible students about conducting surveys, collection, and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical examinations, see "Student Surveys" (*Appendix 4*). A complete copy of the school district's "Student Surveys" policy may be obtained on the school district Website or in the Superintendent's Office.

Transportation of Public School Students

The school district will provide transportation, at the expense of the school district, except for all Lamberton resident students. Transportation will be provided on all regularly scheduled school days or make-up days. Transportation will not be provided during the summer school break, except in certain circumstances. The school district will not provide transportation for students whose transportation privileges have been revoked or have been voluntarily surrendered by the students' parents or guardians.

Extracurricular Transportation

The school district provides transportation for students to and from extracurricular activities. Red Rock Central will also provide a late bus to the city of residence after practices for all students participating in school sponsored events.

Video and Audio Recording

School Buses

All school buses used by the school district are equipped for the placement and operation of a video camera. The school district will post a notice in a conspicuous location informing students that their conversations or actions will be recorded. The school district may use a video recording of the actions

of student passengers as evidence in any disciplinary action arising from the students' misconduct on the bus.

Places Other Than Buses

The school district buildings and grounds may be equipped with video cameras. Video surveillance may occur in any school district building or on any school district property. Video surveillance of locker rooms or bathrooms will only be utilized in extreme situations, with extraordinary controls, and only as expressly approved by the superintendent.

PART II — ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Academic Eligibility 6th - 12th Grades

Students must maintain a passing grade in all subjects to be eligible for participation. A student will be ineligible as a result of (1) failing grade for a quarter. The student will be declared ineligible and the penalty period will begin on the Monday after reports cards are sent out. The student will then be ineligible for one day's events (tournament, triangular, multiple event date or single game) per failing grade. This will also be applicable from the spring to fall. An Incomplete grade will turn into the earned grade 10 days after the end of the quarter date. If the Incomplete turns into an F, students will have to abide by the eligibility policy.

If a student is failing any class at the mid quarter they will be placed on probation and allowed to continue practicing and playing for 1 full week after grades are posted. Generally, mid-term grades fall in the middle of the week. From the mid-term date the student has until the following Thursday to improve their grades to be passing. The student will be required to obtain the signature of all teachers and current grades for the week after midterms. If the student is passing all classes they are eligible to continue playing. If they are still failing any of those classes they will be ineligible for the following week's events. The student is then responsible to continue this process of grade checks each succeeding Friday of the quarter or until all classes are being passed. This weekly eligibility sheet must be turned in to the HS office no later than 3:00 pm. Friday to be eligible for the following week.

This eligibility policy includes, but is not limited to athletics and co-curricular activities such as: Music individual and small group contest, school trips, Plays and Musicals, Speech, FFA, Trap shooting, Knowledge Bowl, etc…

Ineligible / probationary students may not miss a class in which they are failing to leave school early for an activity or event.

The AD will inform parents by email of all Ineligible and / or Probationary designations.

Failing grades from the fourth quarter's marking period will be carried over to the next fall.

Alternative Educational Opportunities

Some students may be at risk of not continuing or completing their educational programs. The school district provides alternative learning options for students at risk of not succeeding in school. Alternative educational opportunities may include special tutoring, modified curriculum and instruction, instruction through electronic media, special education services, homebound instruction, and enrollment in an alternative learning center, among others. Students and parents/guardians with questions about these programs should contact either Ms. Rachel Karnitz or Mr. Greg Ewing

Assessments:

ACT and Pre-ACt:
All Sophomores will take the Pre-ACT in the Spring of the year and all Juniors have the opportunity to take the ACT assessment for college admission to meet graduation assessment requirements.

MCA's:
All students in grades 3-8 are tested in Reading and Math by the use of the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessment test. These results are handed out at fall parent teacher conferences. Students in grade 10 take a Reading test and students in grade 11 take a Math test. All students in grades 5, 8, and 10 are also tested in Science. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this requirement, please contact the District Testing Coordinator, Mr. Colby Pack.

Fastbridge:
Assessments will be administered Fall, Winter and Spring for grades K - 6.

Cheating and Plagiarism

Cheating and plagiarism are prohibited. Students who cheat or commit plagiarism on any test or assignment will be given a failing grade for that test or assignment and will be disciplined in accordance with the school district's "Student Discipline" policy.

Class Rank/Academic Standing

At the end of each 9-week period an Honor Roll will be published denoting all students who attained an "A" (3.67 or above) average and those who attained a "B" (3.00-3.66) average. All grades are used to compute the average. Honor Roll certificates will be awarded to those students qualifying for the "A" and "B" Honor Rolls.

Graduating students who earn a 3.67 ("A") average or better during their four years in high school will wear gold cords; students who earn a 3.00-3.66 ("B") average will wear white cords at commencement exercises. (For the purpose of Senior awards and commencement exercises, grades are calculated at the end of the 3rd quarter). The Red Rock Central School District #2884, through the Board of Education, shall acknowledge that at times, the District may have multiple students with straight A's from grades 9-12. Students achieving straight A's and maintaining a GA of 4.015 or greater shall be considered valedictorians and of equal rank and percentile. When there are multiple valedictorians, it would eliminate the status of salutatorian. The line-up for Commencement will be alphabetical. Grades are an evaluation of what you have learned. They become a part of a permanent record that lasts as long as you live. Institutions of higher learning, potential employers and the various military services are all interested in your high school records. We only keep them - you make them. All student records will be treated in accordance with state and federal law.

Early Graduation

Students may be considered for early graduation after meeting all conditions provided in the handbook for graduation.

Extended School Year Opportunities

The school district provides extended school year opportunities to a student who is the subject of an Individualized Education Program (IEP) if the student's IEP team determines the services are necessary during a break in instruction in order to provide a free and appropriate public education. For more information on extended school year opportunities for students with an IEP, contact Ms. Julie Menage.

Field Trips

Field trips may be offered to supplement student learning in which students voluntarily participate and, if so, students who participate may be charged. Students will not be required to pay for instructional trips that take place during the school day, relate directly to a course of study, and require student participation.

Grades

Students' grades will be reported quarterly during the year. Report cards will be emailed for review. Online grade reports may be reviewed through the JMC Parent Portal. It is expected that parents will spend some time in discussion of grades at the end of each nine week grading period.

A - Excellent; B - Above Average; C - Average; D - Below Average, yet passing; F - Failure; and I - Incomplete. Incompletes will remain marked until such time the classwork has been completed, no longer than 10 days after the end of the grading term. No credit is given for an incomplete. 7th and 8th grade students who fail 2 of the 4 core subjects (math, science, social studies or English) may be required to repeat the entire year.

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Graduation Requirements

Students must meet all course credit requirements and graduation standards, as established by the state and the school board, in order to graduate from Red Rock Central High School. Grades are an evaluation of what you have learned. They become a part of a permanent record that lasts as long as you live. Institutions of higher learning, potential employers and the various military services are all interested in your high school records. We only keep them - you make them. All student records will be treated in accordance with state and federal law.

Course Credits Required

To receive a diploma, students must successfully complete at least 24 credits and comply with the following high school level course requirements:

High School Level Courses Required for Graduation		
Subject Area	**Credits**	**Explanation**
Language Arts	4	Must be sufficient to satisfy all academic standards in the English Language Arts.
Mathematics	3	Algebra I is required by the end of ninth grade. Algebra II or its equivalent is also required.
Science	3	Must include at least one credit of Biology, one credit of Chemistry or Physics, and one credit of Environmental / Physical Science. The combination of credits must be sufficient to satisfy all of the academic standards in either chemistry or physics and all other academic standards in science.
Social Studies	4	Must include at least United States History, Geography, Government and Citizenship, World History, and Economics / Financial Planning sufficient to satisfy all of the academic standards in Social Studies.
Arts	1	Must be sufficient to satisfy all of the state or local academic standards in the Arts.
Physical Education / Health	2	Must Include ninth grade Phy-ed / Computers and tenth grade Phy-ed / Health

Elective Courses	6.5	

School District Required and Elective Standards

Students with an individualized education program (IEP), Section 504 accommodation plan, or limited English proficiency needs may be eligible for testing accommodations, modifications, and/or exemption. For additional information, see Mr. Greg Ewing or Mr. Colby Pack.

Homework

Homework assignments are made by the teachers. The amount of homework varies by teacher and subject area. The school district asks parents/guardians to encourage their child(ren) to complete homework thoroughly and promptly.

National Honor Society

The Red Rock Central Chapter of the National Honor Society recognizes students who demonstrate the outstanding qualities of leadership, character, service and scholarship. Students who meet the eligibility requirement for membership are able to apply for membership on an annual basis each fall. Students must be in grades 10-12, have a GPA of 3.3 or higher, and be involved in leadership and service activities.

The selection of members is completed by consensus of five faculty council members appointed by the RRC Principal. The faculty advisor is a non-voting sixth member of the selection committee. The faculty council takes into consideration the following factors: GPA, involvement in leadership and service activities, conduct and character, the student's application essay, and faculty/teacher ratings and comments. Membership is a privilege and an honor and no student has a right to be selected for membership. The principal has final authority on all membership decisions.

Students selected for membership are expected to continue to demonstrate the qualities of scholarship, service, leadership and character. Students must maintain a 3.3+ GPA and submit verification of volunteer service to continue their membership.

Promotion and Retention

All students are expected to achieve an acceptable level of proficiency. Students who achieve at an acceptable level will be promoted to the next grade level at the completion of the school year. Retention of a student may be considered when professional staff and parents/guardians feel that it is in the best interest of the student. The superintendent's decision will be final. The district has a variety of services to help students succeed in school. For more information, contact Mr. Todd Lee.

Postsecondary Enrollment Options

Ninth, tenth, eleventh, and twelfth grade students may apply to enroll in Postsecondary Enrollment Options (PSEO) and other advanced enrichment programs. General information about the PSEO program will be provided to all ninth, tenth, and eleventh grade students by March 1. Qualifying credits granted to a student through a PSEO course or program that meets or exceeds a graduation standard or requirement will be counted toward the graduation and credit requirements of the state academic standards. Interested students must fill out an application form and submit it to Ms. Rachel Karnitz by May 30 for enrollment the following school year. The application form must be signed by the student and his/her parent or guardian. PSEO Classes will be weighted the same as College Now and Advanced Placement classes in the Core Academic areas of English, Math, Science and Social Studies.

There are four major programs which comprise the education options package available to students of all ages in Minnesota. They are:

1. High School Graduation Incentives
2. Area Learning Centers
3. Post-Secondary Enrollment
4. Open Enrollment

Summer School

The Red Rock Central Schools provide summer school learning opportunities for students in Grades 9 - 11 at the Windom ALC. For more information, contact Mr. Greg Ewing or Ms. Rachel Karnitz.

Flexible Learning Year Program

The school district offers to its students a flexible learning year program that provides instruction throughout the year on an extended year calendar, extended school day calendar, or both. A student's participation in the program is optional. If a student participates in the program, the student may accelerate attainment of grade level requirements or graduation requirements.

Parent Right to Know

If a parent requests it, the school district will provide information regarding the professional qualifications of his/her child's classroom teachers, including, at a minimum, the following:

1. whether the teacher has met state qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction;
2. whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional licensing status through which state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;
3. the baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree;
4. whether the student is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

In addition, the school district will provide parents with information as to the level of achievement of their child in each of the state academic assessments. The school district will provide notice to parents if their child has been assigned to, or taught for four or more consecutive weeks by, a teacher who is not highly qualified.

PART III — RULES AND DISCIPLINE

Attendance

Regular school attendance is directly related to success in academic work, benefits students socially, provides opportunities for important communications between teachers and students, and establishes regular habits of dependability. For detailed information, see the "Student Attendance" policy on the School Website or in the Superintendent's Office.

Bullying Prohibition

The school district is committed to providing a safe and respectful learning environment for all students. Acts of bullying, in any form, by either an individual student or a group of students, are prohibited on school district property, at school-related functions or activities, on school transportation, and by misuse of technology. For detailed information, see the school district's "Bullying Prohibition" policy on the School Website or in the Superintendent's Office.

Buses – Conduct on School Buses and Consequences for Misbehavior

Riding the school bus is a privilege, not a right. The school district's general student behavior rules are in effect for all students on school buses, including nonpublic and charter school students. The school district will not provide transportation for students whose transportation privileges have been revoked.

The school district is committed to transporting students in a safe and orderly manner. To accomplish this, student riders are expected to follow school district rules for waiting at a school bus stop and for riding on a school bus.

While waiting for the bus or after being dropped off at a school bus stop, all students must comply with the following rules:

- Get to the bus stop five minutes before your scheduled pick up time. The school bus driver will not wait for late students.
- Respect the property of others while waiting at the bus stop.
- Keep your arms, legs, and belongings to yourself.
- Use appropriate language.
- Stay away from the street, road, or highway when waiting for the bus.
- Wait until the bus stops before approaching the bus.
- After getting off the bus, move away from the bus.
- If you must cross the street, always cross in front of the bus where the driver can see you. Wait for the driver to signal to you before crossing the street.
- No fighting, harassment, intimidation, or horseplay.
- No use of alcohol, tobacco, or drugs.

While riding a school bus, all riders must comply with the following rules:

- Follow the driver's directions at all times.
- Remain seated facing forward while the bus is in motion.
- Talk quietly and use appropriate language.
- Keep all parts of your body inside the bus.
- Keep arms, legs, and belongings to yourself and out of the aisle.
- No fighting, harassment, intimidation, or horseplay.
- Do not throw any object.
- No eating, drinking, or use of alcohol, tobacco, or drugs.
- Do not bring any weapons or dangerous objects on the school bus.
- Do not damage the school bus.

Consequences for school bus/bus stop misconduct will be imposed by the school district under administrative discipline procedures. All school bus/bus stop misconduct will be reported to the school district's transportation director. Serious misconduct may be reported to local law enforcement.

Cell Phones and Other Electronic Communication Devices

7th - 12th Grade

Students are prohibited from using cell phones and other electronic communication devices during class time. Students also are prohibited from using a cell phone or other electronic communication device to engage in conduct prohibited by school district policies including, but not limited to, cheating, bullying, harassment, and malicious and sadistic conduct. If the school district has a reasonable suspicion that a student has violated a school rule or law by use of a cell phone or other electronic communication device, the school district may search the device. The search of the device will be reasonably related in scope to the circumstances justifying the search. Students who use an electronic communication device during the school day and/or in violation of school district policies may be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to the school district's discipline policy. In addition, a student's cell phone or electronic communication device may be confiscated by the school district and, if applicable, provided to law enforcement. Cell phones or other electronic communication devices that are confiscated and retained by the school district will be returned in accordance with school building procedures.

K - 6th Grade

Cell phones are strongly discouraged at school for students in grades K-6. If a K-6th grade student does bring a cell phone or other electronic device to school, please understand that it must stay in the student's locker at all times. Cell phones are NOT allowed at recess or in the lunchroom. Please note that student lockers do not have locks on them and storing anything of value is at your own risk. Red Rock Central is not responsible for lost, broken, or stolen devices.

Discipline

Misbehavior by one student can disrupt the learning process for many other students. In addition, students must learn to practice good safety habits, value academic honesty, respect the rights of others, and obey the law. For detailed information on the Student Code of Conduct and consequences for violations, see the "Student Discipline" policy on the School Website or in the Superintendent's Office.

Dress and Appearance

Students are encouraged to be dressed appropriately for school activities and in keeping with community standards. Red Rock Central High School students should take pride in themselves and their appearance. We are convinced that there is a direct relationship between dress and attitudes toward learning and behavior. The administration and faculty of Red Rock Central 5 - 12 school understand that clothing styles change and that clothing is sometimes an expression of oneself. However, the school is a place of learning. Any dress that detracts from the learning environment is not allowed.

Dress which is unhealthy, unsafe, or disruptive to learning must be avoided. Students are not permitted to wear clothing with inappropriate advertising and/or sayings on them. Caps and other headgear are not acceptable pieces of clothing in the classroom. Some type of footwear must be worn at all times. Clothing that is too revealing is not permitted. At no time should any undergarments be seen, either from holes in clothing or from clothing that simply does not cover properly.

It is hoped that parents will use good judgment and common sense in helping their children select the proper attire. Students who use "extremes" in their selection will be asked to change their clothes, and could be sent home to do so.

Drug-Free School and Workplace

The possession and use of alcohol, controlled substances, and toxic substances are prohibited at school or in any other school location before, during, or after school hours. Paraphernalia associated with controlled substances also is prohibited. The school district will discipline or take appropriate action against anyone who violates this policy.

District policy is not violated when a person brings a controlled substance that has a currently accepted medical treatment into a school location for personal use if the person has a physician's prescription for the substance except marijuana is not allowed on school property even if prescribed. Students who have prescriptions must comply with the school district's "Student Medication" policy.

The school district will provide an instructional program in every elementary and secondary school on chemical abuse and the prevention of chemical dependency.

Harassment and Violence Prohibition

The school district strives to maintain a learning and working environment free from harassment and violence on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, gender, age, marital status, familial status, status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, or disability. The school district prohibits any form of harassment or violence on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, gender, age, marital status, familial status, status with regard to public assistance, sexual orientation, or disability. Detailed information on the school district's "Harassment and Violence Prohibition" policy on the School Website or in the Superintendent's Office.

Hazing Prohibition

Hazing is prohibited. No student will plan, direct, encourage, aid, or engage in hazing. Students who violate this rule will be subject to disciplinary action pursuant to the school district's "Student Discipline" policy. Please see the school district's "Hazing Prohibition"policy on the School Website or in the Superintendent's Office.

Internet Acceptable Use

All school district students have conditional access to the school district's computer system, including Internet access, for limited educational purposes, including use of the system for classroom activities, educational research, and professional and career development. Use of the school district's system is a privilege, not a right. Unacceptable use of the school district's computer system or the Internet may result in one or more of the following consequences: suspension or cancellation of use or access privileges; payments for damages and repairs; discipline under other appropriate school district policies, including, but not limited to, suspension, expulsion, or exclusion; or civil or criminal liability under other applicable laws.

A copy of the school district's "Internet Acceptable Use"policy on the School Website or in the Superintendent's Office.

Within 30 days of the start of each school year, the school district must give parents and students direct and timely notice, by United States mail, e-mail, or other direct form of communication, of any curriculum, testing, or assessment technology provider contract affecting a student's educational data. The notice must:

1. identify each curriculum, testing, or assessment technology provider with access to educational data;

2. identify the educational data affected by the curriculum, testing, or assessment technology provider contract; and

3. include information about the contract inspection and provide contact information for a school department to which a parent or student may direct questions or concerns regarding any program or activity that allows a curriculum, testing, or assessment technology provider to access a student's educational data.

The school district must provide parents and students an opportunity to inspect a complete copy of any contract with a technology provider.

Students will receive a copy of the school district's "Internet Acceptable Use" policy and are expected to understand and agree to abide by the policy as a condition of use of the school district's computer system. All students who wish to use the school district's computer system must sign the Internet Use Agreement form.

Parking on School District Property

Students

The school district allows limited use and parking of motor vehicles by students in school district locations subject to the following rules:

- Parking a motor vehicle on school property during the school day is a privilege;
- Students are not permitted to use motor vehicles during the school day in any school district locations unless an emergency occurs and permission has been granted to the student by Mr. Greg Ewing.
- Unauthorized vehicles parked on school district property may be towed at the expense of the owner or operator.

The school district may conduct routine patrols of school district properties and inspections of the exteriors of the motor vehicles of students. Interiors of students' vehicles in school district locations may be searched when school officials have a reasonable suspicion that the search will uncover a violation of law and/or school policy or rule. If a search yields contraband, school officials may seize the item and may turn it over to legal authorities when appropriate. A student who violates this policy may be subject to withdrawal of parking privileges and/or discipline according to the school district's "Student Discipline" policy on the School Website or in the Superintendent's Office.

Visitors

Visitors are permitted to park in designated school district visitor parking areas. Unattended vehicles left in other locations on school district property may be towed at the owner's expense.

Playground Procedures and Noon Recess

More accidents occur on the playground than in any other area of the school. Many times these accidents can be traced to behavior which is not appropriate. In the interest of safety and orderliness, the following playground procedures will apply to all students. Toys from home will not be allowed during recess.

1. Only the playground equipment which is kept by the doors is to be taken outside at noon.
2. Take care of equipment on the playground. It is your responsibility to bring it back in again.
3. Kick only those playground balls which are made for kicking (footballs and soccer balls)
4. Fighting or any unnecessary roughness is not allowed on the playground.
5. Use the slide in the proper way. Do not walk up the slide or block the slide.
6. Do not walk on top of the bars
7. Do not stand on the swings or make cradles.
8. There will be NO snowball throwing, king of the kill, tackle football, or any other unnecessary roughness.
9. You are not to leave the school grounds during the recess hour without permission.
10. Be courteous and respectful to the supervisors.
11. People who do not conduct themselves properly on the playground will be reported and then denied the privilege of being on the playground at recess time.

The school playground is NOT available for students to use before or after school unsupervised.

If the weather is inclement, recess will be held in the gym or classroom. If the windchill is at or below 3 degrees Fahrenheit when checked around 11:00, students will not have outside recess on that day. Please dress your children appropriately as we will go outside if it is above this temperature.

Tobacco-Free Schools; Possession and Use of Tobacco, Tobacco-Related Devices, and Electronic Delivery Devices; Vaping Awareness and Prevention Instruction

School district students and staff have the right to learn and work in an environment that is tobacco free. School policy is violated by any individual's use of tobacco, tobacco-related devices, or carrying or using activated electronic delivery devices in a public school, on school grounds, in any school-owned vehicles, or at any school events or activities. Students may not possess any type of tobacco, tobacco-related devices, or electronic delivery devices in a public school, on school grounds, in any school-owned vehicles, or at any school events or activities. Any student who violates this

policy is subject to school district discipline. For detailed information on the school district's "Tobacco-Free Environment; Possession and Use of Tobacco, Tobacco-Related Devices, and Electronic Delivery Devices; Vaping Awareness and Prevention Instruction" policy on the School Website or in the Superintendent's Office. Contact Mr. Greg Ewing or Mr. Colby Pack if you have questions or wish to report violations.

Vandalism

Vandalism of any district property is prohibited. Violators will be disciplined and may be reported to law enforcement officials.

Weapons Prohibition

No person will possess, use, or distribute a weapon when in a school location except as provided in school district policy. A "weapon" means any object, device, or instrument designed as a weapon or through its use is capable of threatening or producing bodily harm or which may be used to inflict self-injury including, but not limited to, any firearm, whether loaded or unloaded; airguns; pellet guns; BB guns; all knives; blades; clubs; metal knuckles; numchucks; throwing stars; explosives; fireworks; mace and other propellants; stunguns; ammunition; poisons; chains; arrows; and objects that have been modified to serve as a weapon. A weapon also includes look-alike weapons. Appropriate discipline and action will be taken against any person who violates this policy. The school district does not allow the possession, use, or distribution of weapons by students. Discipline of students will include, at a minimum: immediate out-of-school suspension; confiscation of the weapon; immediate notification of police; parent or guardian notification; and recommendation to the superintendent of dismissal for a period of time not to exceed one year. The building principal shall, as soon as practicable, refer to the criminal justice or juvenile delinquency system, as appropriate, a student who brings a firearm to school unlawfully. A student who brings a firearm to school will be expelled for at least one year, subject to school district discretion on a case-by-case basis. For a copy of the "School Weapons" policy go to the School Website or in the Superintendent's Office.

PART IV — HEALTH AND SAFETY

Accidents

All student injuries that occur at school, at school-sponsored activities, or on school transportation should be reported to the school office or appropriate administrator. Parents/guardians of an injured student will be notified as soon as possible. If the student requires immediate medical attention, the principal or other district leader will call 911 or seek emergency medical treatment and then contact the parent(s).

Asbestos Management Plan

The school district has developed an asbestos management plan. A copy of this plan can be found on the School Website or in the Superintendent's Office.

Crisis Management

The school district has developed a "Crisis Management" policy. The Red Rock Central school building has its own crisis management plan. Students and parents will be provided with information as to district- and school-specific plans.

The "Crisis Management" policy addresses a range of potential crisis situations in the school district. The school district has developed general crisis procedures for securing buildings, classroom evacuation, campus evacuation, sheltering, and communication procedures. The school district will conduct lock-down drills, fire drills, and a tornado drill. Building plans include classroom and building evacuation procedures.

Emergency Contact Information

Parents need to provide the Red Rock Central Schools with a working and up to date phone number and / or email yearly.

Health Information

First Aid

The nurse's office in each building is equipped to handle minor injuries requiring first aid. If the nurse's office is not open, assistance can be sought from the building's administrative office. If a student experiences a more serious medical emergency at school, 911 will be called and/or a parent/guardian will be contacted depending on the situation.

The district has installed automated external defibrillators (AEDs) in:

- 1st Floor outside of the Cafeteria
- 3rd Floor on top of refrigerator in the Copy Room
- Mezzanine at the top of the Stairs
- Outside of the Fitness Center

Tampering with any AED is prohibited and may result in discipline.

Communicable Diseases

To protect other students from contagious illnesses, students infected with certain diseases are not allowed to come to school while contagious. If a parent or guardian suspects that his/her child has a communicable or contagious disease, the parent or guardian should contact the school nurse or principal so that other students who might have been exposed to the disease can be alerted.

Students with certain communicable diseases will not be excluded from attending school in their usual daily attendance settings as long as their health permits and their attendance does not create a significant risk of transmitting the illness to other students or school district employees. The school district will determine on a case-by-case basis whether a contagious student's attendance creates a significant risk of transmitting the illness to others.

Health Service

The student health office is staffed by a trained LPN, Nicole Churchill. Students who become sick at school should report to the nurses office. If she is not there then report to the school office. In the event of an emergency, the nurse or school secretary will arrange for students who get sick at school to go home early.

A parent/guardian should notify the school if his/her child is unable to attend school because of illness. *K-6 students should contact Kalea Jorgens– kaleajorgens@rrcfalcons.org or by calling 507-752-7361. 7-12 students should contact Randi Hubert– randihubert@rrcfalcons.org or by calling 507-752-7361 or 507-540-0877.* ***Email is the preferred method of communication for sick students.***

Health Screenings that take place at Red Rock Central Schools are:

Kindergarten - Hearing
1st Grade - Hearing and Vision
2nd Grade - Hearing
3rd Grade - Hearing and Vision
5th Grade - Hearing and Vision
7th Grade - Vision
8th Grade - Hearing
10th Grade - Vision
11th Grade - Hearing
All students who receive Special Education services are screened for Vision and Hearing yearly

Immunizations

All students must provide proof of immunization or submit appropriate documentation exempting them from such immunizations in order to enroll or remain enrolled. Students may be exempted from the immunization requirement when the immunization of the student is contraindicated for medical reasons; laboratory confirmation of adequate immunity exists; or due to the conscientiously held beliefs of the parents/guardians or student. The school district will maintain a file containing the immunization records for each student in attendance at the school district for at least five years after the student reaches the age of 18. For a copy of the immunization schedule or to obtain an exemption form or information, contact the school nurse, Nicole Churchill 507-752-7361 option 2.

Medications at School During the School Day

The school district acknowledges that some students may require prescribed drugs or medication during the school day. The administration of prescription medication or drugs (including any over the counter medications) at school requires a completed signed request from the student's parent. An "Administering Prescription Medications" form must be completed once a year and/or when a change in the prescription or requirements for administration occurs. Prescription medications must be brought to school in the original container labeled for the student by a pharmacist, and must be administered in a manner consistent with the instructions on the label. Prescription medications are not to be carried by the student, but will be left with the appropriate school personnel. Exceptions that may be allowed include: prescription asthma medications administered with an inhaler pursuant to school district policy and procedures, medications administered as noted in a written agreement between the school district and parent or as specified in an Individualized Education Program (IEP), a plan developed under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (§504 Plan), or an individual health plan (IHP). Marijuana is not allowed on school property even if prescribed. The school district is to be notified of any change in administration of a student's prescription medication.

Suicide Prevention Information

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: Call or Text 988
Redwood County Mobile Crisis Services: Call 800-658-2429
Cottonwood County 24 hr Crisis Line: Call 800-642-15252

Pesticide Application Notice

The school district may plan to apply pesticide(s) on school property. To the extent the school district applies certain pesticides, the school district will provide a notice by September 15 as to the school district's plan to use these pesticides. A parent may request to be notified prior to the application of certain pesticides on days different from those specified in the notice. Additional information regarding what pesticides are used, an estimated schedule of pesticide applications (which will be available for review or copying at the school office), and the long-term health effects of the class of pesticide on children can be obtained on the school website or by contacting Mr. Todd Lee.

Safety

The safety of students on campus and at school-related activities is a high priority of the district. While district-wide safety procedures are in place, student and parent cooperation is essential to ensuring school safety.

Visitors in District Buildings

Parents/guardians and community members are welcome to visit the schools. To ensure the safety of those in the school and to avoid disruption to the learning environment, all visitors must report directly to the school office upon entering the building, with the exception of events open to the public. All visitors will be required to sign in at the office. Visitors must have the approval of the principal before visiting a classroom during instructional time. An individual or group may be denied permission to visit a school or school property, or such permission may be revoked, if the visitor does not comply with school district procedures or if the visit is not in the best interests of the students, employee, or the school district.

Students are not allowed to bring visitors to school without prior permission from the principal.