

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

Ringgold High School is planning a few exciting changes for the 2018-2019 school year.

Every Wednesday, beginning on August 15th, RHS will dismiss classes at 2:25 p.m. for car riders and drivers. Buses will run at the normal school release time at 3:18 p.m. for remaining students. This time each Wednesday will provide collaboration opportunities for teachers and study time for remaining students. Students who do not leave early will be supervised in a study hall until 3:18 p.m. Study hall will provide students the opportunity to complete homework and to study with the assistance of supervising faculty. Students will also have the opportunity to make-up exams in a supervised room.

Permission forms will be available beginning July 30th at RHS Registration from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. The permission form is required in order for your student to leave at 2:25 p.m. every Wednesday. Fourth block teachers will only dismiss students who have signed permission to leave at 2:25 p.m. Please return the permission form before August 15th as RHS cannot guarantee Wednesday checkout via phone, email, or fax after 2:25 p.m. on Wednesdays due to staff meetings that are scheduled for this time.

Also beginning this year, RHS will implement a 30 minute Flex Class offered between morning and afternoon classes. The purpose of Flex Class is to provide academic support and enrichment opportunities based on the needs of our students.

With the addition of Flex Class, students' schedule will look slightly different. Their schedules will now have six listings. First and second classes will be regular 90 minute classes. Third and fourth classes will be assigned a 30 minute Flex Class and a 30 minute lunch. Then, fifth and sixth classes will be regular 90 minute classes. Please understand as we implement this program, the academic needs of students will be met first and before social considerations of lunch.

The RHS school day will begin promptly at 8:00 a.m. Students are expected to be on time and in class when the bell rings at 8:00 a.m. The school day will end at 3:18 p.m. Student attendance is critical for success. Please make every effort to attend school every day and be on time to maximize student learning.

Please visit the RHS website for more details. We will also have more information available at our registration on July 30th 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

We look forward to a great year.

Regards,

JR Jones and RHS Administration