

# FYI . . . . . September 10, 2021

## -Patriot Day, September 11th-

**DIGITAL FYI** . . . The weekly FYI will be sent out electronically again this year. The weekly FYI is also posted on the school website. If you need a paper copy, please contact the office. Valparaiso 402-784-3301 ext 3100 OR Ceresco 402-665-3651 ext 2100.

**SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS** . . . will once again be sent via Bright Arrow, the mass email and phone messaging system. Please make sure all information is accurate on your online forms. If you wish to receive a paper copy of school communications, please call the school office: Valparaiso 402-784-3301 ext 3100 OR Ceresco 402-665-3651 ext 2100.

**LOOP TRAFFIC** . . . Please follow these procedures for the safety of the students. The bus-loading zone is located in the loop on the southeast side of the school facility. Third street is designated as **ONE WAY** access going west during arrival and dismissal times. Parents are asked to drop off or pick up students along the sidewalk located on the east side of the loop or in the diagonal parking located west of the loop; **private vehicles are NOT to be in the loop during arrival and dismissal times.** Please do not drop off students at the entrance or exit of the loop. For safety, students should exit vehicles on the passenger side of the vehicle. If parents need to visit with school staff or escort their students, they should park in the diagonal parking on the west side of the loop. **Please do NOT park in the staff parking lot.** We appreciate your cooperation.

**PLEASE** . . . be sure your student has a mask and water bottle each school day. Water faucets are not in use, however, we have bottle fillers available to refill bottles. Keeping a water bottle at school to refill each day is an easy way to ensure students are hydrated. We have masks available at school for students who need one. Masks should be multi-layered. If a student uses a "gator" it needs to be multi-layered or doubled to create layers. Thank you for your cooperation.

**ARRIVAL AT SCHOOL** . . . Students should arrive no earlier than 8AM, Supervision at school is not provided until 8AM. This year a free breakfast is provided for students.

**ABSENT STUDENTS** . . . If your student will be absent from school, parents/guardians are expected to call or email the school between 8AM and 8:45AM explaining the reason the child will be absent. Parents/guardians must notify the school within 30 minutes of the start of the school day otherwise the student will be considered truant. Students will be counted tardy at 8:15AM when the second bell rings. Students who arrive late or leave early within 30 minutes will be counted as tardy/partial absence. Students absent in Valparaiso can email Kindra at [kindra.tvrdy@rcentral.org](mailto:kindra.tvrdy@rcentral.org) Students from Ceresco can email Jean at [janley@rcentral.org](mailto:janley@rcentral.org). According to Nebraska Statutes 79-201 through 19-210 attendance laws, the school is required to monitor student attendance. Students who are absent five or more days in one quarter will be referred to the county attorney. Students who are absent for three or more days in a row will need to be readmitted through School Nurse Amanda. Homework will be provided for students who miss three or more days. Two school days will be allowed to make up work for each day missed. We appreciate your cooperation.

**SCHOOL PLAYGROUNDS** . . . are closed after school until 4PM.

**COUNSELING PERMISSION** . . . forms can now be found on PowerSchool. Please fill out so that our school counselors can speak with your children if needed.

**PATRIOT DAY OBSERVANCE** . . . will be on Friday, September 10 at 8:15AM. Students are encouraged to wear red, white, and/or blue. Students involved with Boy or Girl Scouts are encouraged to wear their uniforms.

**FOOD BANK BACKPACK PROGRAM** . . . Any family whose student attends Raymond Central Schools is eligible to apply. The application form may be found on the website under the parents tab. First priority will be given to student families who qualify for free/reduced lunch. Thank you to all the volunteers who pack the bags each week, and to all who donate to the fund each year.

**PTO VOLUNTEER FORM** . . . can be found on the email of the FYI. When completed, you may return it to either elementary office, or click on the link [PTO Volunteer Form](#)

**PTO MEETING** . . The PTO meets each month on the first Tuesday of the month at 7PM. Meetings rotate between Ceresco Elementary, Valparaiso Elementary, and the Hot Spot located next to Raymono's near Raymond. All elementary parents/guardians are encouraged to be active in the PTO. A zoom meeting link will be available as well. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 5, at Valparaiso Elementary.

**FOLLOW PTO** . . . on Facebook for updates. Just click "like" so news and reminders will be sent to you. A strong and active PTO is a key contributing factor to the success of our students.

**FOLLOW US ON TWITTER** . . @ RC\_Elementary

<b>Upcoming Dates . . .</b>
<b>Sept 11 Patriot Day</b>
<b>Sept 15 Late Start at 10:15AM</b>
<b>Sept 15 Board of Education Meeting at 6PM</b>
<b>Sept 24 Spirit Shirt Day</b>
<b>Sept 29 Late Start at 10:15AM</b>
<b>Oct 5 PTO Meeting at 7PM</b>

# Raymond Central Before and After School Program

## ***Upcoming Clubs***

*The Raymond Central Before and After School Program is hosting a videography/photography club with Kate Littrel, owner of White Shutter Media, LLC., every Wednesday of October 2021. See the link below for additional information.*

### ***Dates:***

*October 6th*

*October 13th*

*October 20th*

*October 27th*

## **[Photography/Videography Club Link](#)**

***The Raymond Central Before and After Program is back in session!***

Raymond Central Before and After School Program by Civic Nebraska is an expanded learning opportunity that delivers new experiences, academic support and civic leadership to students in a safe and fun environment. We collaborate with teachers, administrators and school staff to bridge the school day to the before and after school environment. Students receive academic support, engage in enrichment activities, and have opportunities to grow as civic leaders in their communities.

[21/22 Enrollment Link](#)

[Facebook Page](#)

[Raymond Central Before and After Program](#)

[Video](#)

## ***Payment Structure***

Civic Nebraska's Community Learning Center (CLC) billing is based on the number of days per month that your child attends. A minimum billing of two weeks per month will be charged per registered student regardless of actual attendance. We encourage your children to attend every day so that they receive the most from our programs. The cost is \$75/week. We also have scholarships available.

Ten or fewer days attended = 2 weeks (\$150)

11 to 16 days attended = 3 weeks (\$225)

17 to 22 days attended = 4 weeks (\$300)

If you have any questions contact Kara Nelson at [kara.nelson@civicnebraska.org](mailto:kara.nelson@civicnebraska.org)