

# FYI . . . . . August 16, 2019 Welcome Back!!

**WE ARE OFF TO A GREAT START!** . . . Thank you for your cooperation as we learn procedures and routines for 2019-2020.

**FORMS . . . PLEASE COMPLETE THE FIRST DAY PACKET FORMS AND RETURN THEM ASAP!**

**SCHOOL COMMUNICATIONS** . . . will once again be sent via Bright Arrow. Please update the information card stapled to the front of your packet and return ASAP and all the other forms. If you wish to receive a paper copy, please check the appropriate place on the forms to provide a paper copy. We sent this FYI both Bright Arrow and paper copy to oldest and only students in the building. Please let us know if you did not receive a copy via Bright Arrow so we can update our files. Our email addresses are Ceresco [jdandley@rcentral.org](mailto:jdandley@rcentral.org) and Valparaiso [jlopez@rcentral.org](mailto:jlopez@rcentral.org). Thank you.

**BUS SAFETY** . . . All students are subject to the following rules when riding on a Raymond Central School's bus:

1. When leaving the bus, students should cross the street from in front of the bus after carefully checking traffic.
2. The bus driver is responsible for controlling the behavior on the bus; students must obey the drivers as they would a teacher or administrator.
3. Students must always be seated and facing forward when the bus is moving. The driver is authorized to assign seats.
4. Students should not put arms, hands, etc. outside of windows. The aisle must be kept clear at all times.
5. Students should assist in keeping the bus clean by using the trash receptacles available in each of the buses.
6. Students should be courteous and use no profane language.
7. Electronic device use on the bus will be at the discretion of the bus driver. School policy will be continued to be followed for appropriate use on the bus. Students are not to take pictures or videos while on the bus.
8. While waiting for the bus at a designated bus stop, all school rules and regulations will apply and appropriate behavior is expected.
9. If your child is not riding the bus home as usual, written notes **MUST** be sent to the school regarding the change. Parents/guardians are asked to inform your bus driver(s) also. Riding a different bus is **NOT** an option. Also, students who are having one guest coming to their house or going to another student's house, must have two (2) notes, one from their parents and one from their guest's parents. If more than one guest is coming to their house, parents need to provide transportation. They will not be allowed to ride without the notes. Last minute phone calls are also discouraged.
10. Riding the bus is a **privilege**. The bus is an extension of the school day. All rules and regulations will apply. If students choose not to follow the rules, appropriate discipline will be administered. If a student violates a rule, the bus driver will file a Discipline Report. The first offense will be a warning. The second offense will be a 2-day bus suspension. The third offense will be a 5-day bus suspension. The fourth offense will be a 20-day bus suspension. The fifth offense will result in bus suspension for the remainder of the school year. If the offense is of a severe nature, bus privileges may be suspended immediately. If this occurs, parents will be contacted to arrange alternate transportation prior to the initiation of the suspension.

**CAFETERIA NEWS** . . . Lunch prices for the 2019-2020 school year are \$1.65 for breakfast and \$2.65 for lunch. Extra milk is \$.50 and is not covered under the Federal free and reduced lunch program since this is an option. It is important that students keep a positive balance in their lunch account. The Federal free and reduced lunch program provides an opportunity for families to apply for free/reduced meal rate. Please request an application form at either elementary office. See the application for the income guidelines. We encourage all families who may be eligible to apply.

**SMILE** . . . Elementary school pictures will be taken on Tuesday, August 27 in both elementary schools. More information will be coming home with students.

**POWERSCHOOL** . . . for access or problems getting signed in please email Mr. Steve Rose at [grose@rcentral.org](mailto:grose@rcentral.org).

**SAFETY DRILLS** . . . will be practiced on Friday, August 23 by our students and staff. We try to stress with students that these are emergency procedures we hope we never have to use.

**WELCOME TO NEW STAFF** . . . Mrs. Maggie Niewohner-4<sup>th</sup> grade Valparaiso.

**FOOD BANK BACKPACK PROGRAM** . . . will be starting September 6. Any family whose student attends Raymond Central is eligible to apply. The application form is attached with this FYI. 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. Mark your calendars now to participate in our fundraiser, The Hustle, on October 19.

**SPIRIT SHIRT DAY** . . . Most spirit shirt days will be the last Friday of each month. There are some exceptions with days that we have a party day or no school. Thank you, PTO for designing the shirt and making them available at a reasonable price. This is the same shirt offered in the spring. This will be the last chance to order. The deadline to order spirit shirts is Wednesday, August 28. Please see the attached form for more information. Check our Facebook page for the Link to the store that has more options to wear our School Pride!! Keep checking the FYI for the dates, but your student may wear his/her spirit shirt whenever they like. The first spirit shirt day will be Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**ASTHMA/ALLERGY/HEALTH PLANS** . . . It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to submit a medical statement each school year. An Emergency Care Plan, Asthma Action Plan, Allergy Action Plan or Diabetes Medical Management Plan must be completed and on file for students known to have one of the previously stated conditions. It is required that parents submit a medical statement each year. Parent's notes or telephone calls are not adequate documentation. Only licensed health care providers may sign the medical statement forms (in most cases, a short note from a physician on a prescription pad does not contain the required information), and these must be kept on file for all students who require individualized medical treatment(s) or diet modifications. Please see your medical provider for the forms.

**PTO FUNDRAISER** . . . Kickoff will be August 28. Fundraiser dates are August 28-September 11.

**THANK YOU PTO** . . . FOR PROVIDING A SNACK FOR US ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. What a great way to start a new school year!

**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

<p><b>Upcoming Dates . . .</b> Aug 23 Safety Drills Aug 23 Spirit T-Shirt Day Aug 27 Elementary School pictures Aug 28 Late Start @ 10:15AM Aug 28-Sept 11 PTO Fundraiser</p>
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# Raymond Central Elementary School Spirit Shirt Order Form

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade in 2019-20: \_\_\_\_\_

Please Circle  
VAL / CERESCO / HS

**Short sleeve vintage navy Bella brand Tshirt with gold & grey design.**

STUDENT ONLY Shirts:		ADDITIONAL Shirts: (NON-Student)		TOTALS
	Quantity		Quantity	
Youth XS	_____ @ \$8.00 ea.	Youth XS	_____ @ \$12.00 ea.	\$ _____
Youth Small	_____ @ \$8.00 ea.	Youth Small	_____ @ \$12.00 ea.	\$ _____
Youth Medium	_____ @ \$8.00 ea.	Youth Medium	_____ @ \$12.00 ea.	\$ _____
Youth Large	_____ @ \$8.00 ea.	Youth Large	_____ @ \$12.00 ea.	\$ _____
Adult Small	_____ @ \$8.00 ea.	Adult Small	_____ @ \$12.00 ea.	\$ _____
Adult Medium	_____ @ \$8.00 ea.	Adult Medium	_____ @ \$12.00 ea.	\$ _____
Adult Large	_____ @ \$8.00 ea.	Adult Large	_____ @ \$12.00 ea.	\$ _____
Adult XL	_____ @ \$8.00 ea.	Adult XL	_____ @ \$12.00 ea.	\$ _____
Adult XXL	_____ @ \$13.50 ea.	Adult XXL	_____ @ \$13.50 ea.	\$ _____
Adult XXXL	_____ @ \$15.00 ea.	Adult XXXL	_____ @ \$15.00 ea.	\$ _____



Scholarship Donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\* Checks payable to RC PTO

**TOTAL** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Additional shirt styles and sizes are available to purchase online. <https://rcmustangspiritwear.itemorder.com/sale>

\*\*\*SEE BACK FOR CLOSE UP OF SHIRT DESIGN\*\*\*

**PLEASE NOTE:** This is optional. You are not required to purchase a new School Spirit Shirt; last year's School Spirit Shirt may be worn on Spirit Day. If you are unable to purchase a shirt and do not have one from last year, you can apply for a scholarship to have a shirt purchased for your student.

**••This will be the FINAL Spirit Shirt order for the year.  
All orders will all be delivered around September 20th••**

To apply for a scholarship, please complete the form and check here:

\*To donate for a scholarship for a student, please fill out the Scholarship Donation line above.  
Thank you for your generosity.

**••Please return this form to your office by August 28, 2019. Thank you! ••**

PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS NOT A FUNDRAISER - SHIRTS ARE BEING SOLD AT OR BELOW COST

# FOOD BANK BACKPACK REQUEST/INFORMATION FORM

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Raymond Central has a backpack program in conjunction with the Food Bank for the 2019-2020 school year. Backpacks are sent home each Friday and are filled with food to feed a family during the weekend.

The food used for the Food Bank Backpack Program consists of purchased food to ensure a consistent supply of food for each backpack. Various menus include peanut butter and jelly, concentrated fruit juice, boxes of cereal, macaroni and cheese, canned fruits and vegetables along with bread and egg vouchers. Vouchers for milk may also be issued.

Sending in this form will not change whether your children receive free or reduced price meals. Sending in this form does not guarantee your family's participation in the program.

If you are not interested in participating but would like to sponsor a family you can do so by sending a check to the Raymond Central Education Foundation with "backpack" written on the memo line. **ANY** donation amount is appreciated and the donation is tax deductible.

YES! My family would like to participate and receive a backpack on each last school day of the week and return the backpack on the first day of the next school week. A notification letter will be sent if your family will be receiving a backpack of food.

Please list number of children \_\_\_\_\_ and number of adults \_\_\_\_\_ that will be receiving food for the weekend.

Please list the name and grade of the child who is to bring the backpack home.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

For more information, you may call Mrs. Shelly Dostal at Valparaiso Elementary-402-784-3301.

Please return this form in an envelope to your respective school attendance center by **August 30, 2019**. Information submitted is to be kept confidential.