



The View

School Information

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING:

RV teacher, Lisa Ellis, will be one of 37 American teachers working with the Invisible Children Teacher Exchange in Gulu, Uganda June 15-July 27.

Invisible Children, Inc. is a non-profit organization and focuses on long-term goals that enable children to take responsibility for their future and the future of their country through programs that address the following areas: quality education, mentorships, redevelopment of schools, resettlement from the camps, and financial stability. One of its programs is a Teacher Exchange, where teachers from the United States travel to Uganda to work with a particular school and teacher for six weeks. The cost of this trip is \$5,000. Invisible Children encourages participants to fundraise since we are teachers, and let's face it, teaching is not the biggest money making profession. We would greatly appreciate it if you would consider being a sponsor. The contribution is tax deductible as Invisible Children is a non-profit organization.

Please make checks payable to Invisible Children and send them along with your physical address to mail a receipt to Ridge View High School care of Nicole Walker at 4801 Hard Scrabble Road, Columbia SC 29229. If you have any questions, you may contact Nicole at 803-699-2999 x 300 or nwalker@richland2.org.

Mr. Ricky Moye's class competed in the state's stock market game and the following students: Michael Acuna, Devin Evans, Frank Holbert, and Jaron Woods finished 64 out of 290 teams across the state. They were the SMG Blue Chip Mayor Program Winners.

Emily Waggoner has been accepted to the High School Summer College at Stanford University for 2009. This is an eight-week program for qualifying high school students (juniors and seniors) who were personally invited by the University due to their outstanding academic achievements.

The RVHS Hire 2 program has received a \$2000 CCP grant provided by the State Department of Education to promote the trades industry.

The Sparkleberry Country Fair Scholarship Committee has selected 4 Ridge View High School Seniors to each receive a \$1,000 fair scholarship:

1. Ariel J. Bledsoe
2. Sierra C. Henderson
3. Samuel McCants
4. Charles McIntyre

RVHS dance students, Makabia Butler and Nikesha Nelson, have been selected as 2008 recipients of the South Carolina Dance Education Organization Artistic Merit, Leadership, and Academic Achievement Award. Ridge View High has been honored to have students receive this award for the last 4 years.

Mr. Stiglbauer's Economics students, Kristiaan Fish, Janece Gough, John Knotts, and Bianca Young, placed 1st at the State EconChallenge. Each student will receive a \$100 gift card to Best Buy and a laptop computer.

Please note there is a correction in the previous publication regarding the 2009 Columbia Urban League Award Recipients: we would like to congratulate Breanna D. Johnson for her accomplishments and recognition.

Athletic News

RVHS' Wrestling Team will be sponsoring the Penn State Wrestling Camp at RVHS July 17-19 for interested students in 7th-12th grade. The cost will be \$85.00. For more information please call 803-932-9312.

Spring sports at RVHS are underway! Please come out and support spring sports. Here are some upcoming dates:

Girls' Varsity Soccer: at home vs. SVHS on April 21st at 7:00 pm

Boys' and Girls' Track at home vs. SVHS on April 22nd at 6:00 pm

Boys' Tennis: at Spring Valley on April 21st at 5:30 pm

Varsity Baseball: at Spring Valley on April 21st at 6:30 pm

JV/Varsity Softball: at home vs. SVHS on April 21st beginning at 5:30 pm



From our School Nurse

"Thank You" from the nurses in Richland School District Two

The nurses in Richland School District Two would like to thank the following persons and or businesses for their generous donations of equipment and medications.

- Brooke Newell with Roche Pharmaceuticals donated glucometers to all district nurses for emergency use with diabetics whose glucometers malfunction during an emergency situation.
- Longs pharmacy donated 35 spacers to the district nurses to be used with our emergency standing orders for students with asthma.
- Dr. Ted DuBose and Sandhills Pediatrics donated emergency rescue inhalers to the district nurses to be used with our emergency standing orders for students with asthma.

Submitted from all district nurses by Dawn MacAdams, RN, Lead Nurse

From Our Guidance Office

NEW SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FROM THE RVHS COLLEGE AND CAREER CENTER:

The Richland County Education Association- Retired \$2,000 Scholarship (#133)

Designed to encourage promising young people to prepare for careers in education

Eligibility Criteria:

- Senior residing in Richland County and graduating from a S.C public school this year
- Must attend a SC college or university
- Must have and maintain a 2.5 or higher GPA
- Must have demonstrated leadership abilities
- Must need financial assistance

Deadline: Postmarked April 27, 2009

2009 American Patriot Freedom Scholarship

Provides financial assistance towards the education of military children ages 17-21. For eligibility information and applications, visit Home Front America's website at <http://www.homefrontamerica.org/oohrahhome.htm>

Deadline: Applications are being accepted until April 24, 2009

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc; Beta Chi Sigma Chapter-Columbia Alumni (#138)

Will be offering three \$500 scholarships, one of which is sponsored by Whitesides International, to encourage minority men, who are aspiring to further their education at an institute of higher learning, by providing financial assistance

- Minority male high school senior
- Attend an accredited institution in the Fall of 2009
- Proven academic history of 2.5 or higher GPA
- Curricular and extra-curricular activities
- Resume
- Letters of recommendation
- Interview process

Deadline: Postmarked April 24, 2009 Applications in RVHS College & Career Center

Shaniquia A. Johnson Memorial Scholarship (#137)

Sponsored by The Killian Elementary School Foundation to enrich the academic life of an African-American minority student

Eligibility Criteria:

- Male or Female African American and a child of a single parent
- Graduate of Killian (fifth grade)
- Must be enrolled in a high school within Richland District Two
- Qualifying high school senior eligible for graduation at the end of the 2008-2009 school year
- Must attend a four year institution in the United states for the 2009-2010 school year

Deadline: Postmarked by May 15, 2009 Applications in RVHS College & Career Center

Congressional Black Caucus Spouses Scholarship Program (CBC) (#135)

A national program that assists academically talented and highly motivated minority students to fulfill their dreams of obtaining a college degree

Eligibility Criteria:

- Minority Senior student with minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Exhibit leadership particularly in community service
- Demonstrate financial need
- Official high school transcript
- Must reside or attend school with the Sixth Congressional District represented by Congressman Jim Clyburn

Deadline: Postmarked by May 1, 2009 Applications in RVHS College & Career Center

Club Twenty-Four Scholarship (#134)

A Columbia area social and charitable organization which sponsors an annual academic scholarship of \$500

Eligibility Criteria:

- Senior planning to pursue a post secondary education at a predominantly black institution
- Minimum 2.5 or higher GPA
- Community and civic involvement

Deadline: May 9, 2009 Applications in RVHS College & Career Center

Columbia Clemson Club (#136)

Eligibility Criteria:

- Any graduating Senior that is currently enrolled in high school in Richland District 1, 2 or Lexington/Richland District 5
- Available to students attending Clemson in the Fall of 2009
- Recommendation by guidance counselor
- Interview process
- Official high school transcript

Deadline: Postmarked by May 15, 2009

Southern Wesleyan University Institutional Scholarship

Scholarship and grants program at SWU to new applicants that range between \$3,000 and \$8,000 per year.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Minimum cumulative GPA 2.25 – 4.0
- 17 ACT or 800 SAT

Call 1-864-644-5550 for more information!

For the 2009-2010 school year, Richland School District Two (RSD2) will implement new proof-of-residence procedures that will require all students to provide proof-of-residence prior to their enrollment in a RSD2 school, and yearly thereafter.

The following procedures will be required by each school:

New Enrollment:	Provide 3 proofs-of-residence
All Kindergarten Students:	Provide 3 proofs-of-residence
Current RSD2 (K-12) students:	Provide 1 proof-of-residence

In order to facilitate the collection of proofs from each family in an efficient manner, schools and the Richland Two District Office will begin communicating their collection procedures to Richland School District Two families and the general public beginning in February 2009.

The types of proofs to be collected when 3 proofs-of-residence are needed will remain the same: electric bill, water bill, land line phone bill, cable/satellite, completely executed rental lease or real estate purchase contract,

When one proof-of-residence is required, a current utility bill (electric bill, water bill, land line phone bill, cable bill) will need to be submitted.

If a family currently residing in the district moves to another in-district residence, this situation will be viewed as a new enrollment for verification purposes. The family will be required to submit 3 new proofs-of-residence.

The deadline for all addresses being verified by the school is August 3, 2009.

If you need any clarification on the procedural change, you may contact the Planning Office at 803-738-3314, rwiley@richland2.org or your school's registrar.

From Student Activities

2nd Annual Ridge View Invisible Children Awareness Walk is Friday, April 24, 2009 at 5:00 pm. We will begin at Ridge View High School and end at the fountain at the Village at Sandhill. Registration forms are online at www.rvhs.org and is \$5 per person.

HOPE 4 Uganda Benefit Rally Details:

Saturday, May 16, 2009
3:00 pm- 8:00 pm
Clemson's Sandhill Research and Education Center

Speakers include:
Derreck Kayongo, CARE
Marie Hamm, Invisible Children

Musical Acts:
The Bitter Suite
Outlaw
Joal Rush
The Heist and the Accomplice
Nevershoutnever!
Hot Lava Monster

Tickets: Advance \$10/ At the Door \$15
Buy at Ridge View High School or www.etix.com

Community Involvement

The next School Improvement Council meeting will be **held Monday, May 4, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the RVHS Media Center**. The SIC is a group of parents, students, community members, teachers and administrators who help advise the principal and actively seek ways to improve the school. We're looking for fresh, new ideas and energetic volunteers. SIC meets the first Monday of each month at 7:00 pm. To join or get more information on the SIC, please contact Vikki Kinsey at 803-699-2999 ext. 207.

Richland Two has partnered with the Richland County Sheriffs Department to support Student Crimestoppers. The program uses the same Crimestoppers network and phone number (1-888-CRIME-SC) to allow students to anonymously report school-based crimes and to be rewarded for their tips. When a student's tip has led to an arrest or disciplinary action, the student will be instructed on where to pick up their reward. Some of the types of crimes that would be eligible are: gang activity (\$25 - \$100 depending on seriousness), fighting (\$25), weapons on persons (\$25 - \$100 depending on weapon & intent), guns on school grounds (even if the gun isn't found on a student - \$100), and drugs on person (\$25 - \$100 depending on type and amount). The district views this program as another tool to help provide a safe learning environment for our students.

Important Dates

April 24: Invisible Children Awareness Walk at 5:00 pm
April 25: Sparkleberry Fair at Clemson Road Extension
April 28: RVHS CiCi's Pizza Night in the Village at Sandhills from 5:00-9:00 pm
April 28: Interims distributed
April 29-30: Invisible Children Bake Sale

*****Note: This bulletin will be sent bi-weekly to our Blazer family.*****