

WWE will be at RVHS  
October 20, 2009!!!



**Ridge View High School**  
*The View*  
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Teen Read Week!

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Monday 10/19/09	Girls Golf Region Tournament at Lancaster 10:00 am Parent Meeting for Spanish Students in Media Center 6:00 pm-7:00 pm
Tuesday 10/20/09	HSAP Testing Begins 1 <sup>st</sup> Period: ELA WWE Stars, John Morrison and Beth Phoenix, will visit with a pre-selected group of students from 11:00 am-12:00 pm Football Study Hall 3:45 pm-4:45 pm in Cafeteria Volleyball at South Pointe 5:00 pm/7:00 pm
Wednesday 10/21/09	HSAP Testing Day 2 Beginning 1 <sup>st</sup> Period: ELA Student Council Officers' Meeting 8:00 am Chad Crews, "Authors of Mystery and Horror", will visit RVHS in the Media Center for 2 shows, one 1/2 block and one 3/4 block
Thursday 10/22/09	HSAP Testing Day 3 Beginning 1 <sup>st</sup> Period: Math Cross Country Region Meet at Sandhills 5:00 pm Volleyball vs. Blythewood at RVHS 5:00 pm/7:00 pm ("Think Pink" Cancer Awareness Fundraiser and Senior Recognition Night) JV/B-Team Football vs. Spring Valley at RVHS 6:00 pm/7:30 pm
Friday 10/23/09	Mini Pep Rally at Lunch Varsity Football vs. Spring Valley at Harry Parone Stadium 7:30 pm
Monday 10/26/09	Herff Jones Senior Ordering and Senior Superlative Nominating in Auditorium 1 <sup>st</sup> period Girls Golf State Tournament at 3 Pines TBA
Tuesday 10/27/09	Football Study Hall in Cafeteria 3:45 pm-4:45 pm Girls Golf State Tournament at 3 Pines TBA NCAA/Athletic Night in Auditorium 6:30 pm-9:00 pm
Wednesday 10/28/09	Invisible Children Presentations in Auditorium 1 <sup>st</sup> -7 <sup>th</sup> periods Report Cards Distributed 3 <sup>rd</sup> period 1 <sup>st</sup> Nine Weeks Newsletter with Honor sent to parents electronically
Thursday 10/29/09	ASVAB in Auditorium all day Herff Jones Senior Ordering in Main Hallway at Lunch JV/B-team Football at Lancaster 6:00 pm/7:30 pm
Friday 10/30/09	Herff Jones Senior Ordering in Main Hallway at Lunch Lifetouch Makeup Pictures in Media Center 8:30 am-3:30 pm Mini Pep Rally at Lunch Varsity Football vs. Lancaster at District 2 Stadium 7:30 pm

# Be in the know

## Important Message from our Principal...

As you know, Wednesdays are delay start days for students. I have noticed that more students are tardy for 1st period on that day than any other. This causes them to miss important instruction. Our current tardy policy allows for special circumstances that may cause students to be late for the start of the school day. We will continue special circumstance allowances EXCEPT on Wednesdays.

Beginning October 7, students will experience the consequences associated with the lock-door tardy policy for first period on Wednesdays. This will include ALL grade levels. Please encourage your son or daughter to be on time.

## HSAP October 20-22, 2009

The HSAP (High School Assessment Program) assesses selected SC academic standards in English language arts and mathematics that students have had the opportunity to learn by the end of the tenth grade.

The English language arts examination consists of multiple-choice and constructed-response items and an extended-response writing portion of the examination. The October test is for students who have not met the standard on one or both sections of the test. It is also for students who are in their 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> year in school and new to South Carolina. **The ELA sections will be administered Tuesday and Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>.** The mathematics test consists of multiple-choice items and three constructed-response items that require students to show their work to support their answers. Students may choose to use calculators while taking any part of the mathematics examination. **The Math section will be administered Thursday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>.**

## RVHS and JDRF

Our 5th annual Miss Understood Pageant for JDRF will take place on Friday Nov. 6th at Ridge View HS. Remember, it is our faculty's womanless beauty pageant held during halftime of our faculty/student basketball game. All proceeds raised through these events go to JDRF. Last year we raised over \$4,000. We are hoping to surpass this amount this year. More details to come!!!

## Homecoming 2009

Homecoming Queen: Tahira Jones  
1st runner up: Laura Perry  
2nd runner up: Brittany Bullock

Homecoming King: Steven Do  
1st runner up: Blake Harrison  
2nd runner up: Blair Boler

The Seniors won the Clash of the Classes. Freshmen placed 2nd, Sophomores placed 3rd, and Juniors placed 4th. Our students raised \$1550 to be sent to St. Jude's Children's Hospital.

## Homebound Instruction

The district will provide homebound instruction for students who miss 5 or more **consecutive** days of class for medical reasons. Applications for homebound instruction should be picked up in the Main Office as soon as the parent/student anticipates the possibility of extended illness. **A student is not considered officially homebound until the completed form is returned to the Attendance Office and approved by the District Office.** The days that a student receives homebound instruction are **not counted** as absences from school. Students experiencing prolonged illness should consider the homebound option in order to avoid losing credit due to excessive absences.

## School-Wide Testing on November 10<sup>th</sup>

EXPLORE – Preparatory test for the ACT which is given to students in their first year.

PLAN – Preparatory test for the ACT which is given to students in their 2<sup>nd</sup> year.

ASSET – Placement test for admission to Midlands Technical College as well as enrollment in the dual-credit courses offered at RVHS. It is given to our 3<sup>rd</sup> year students for dual-credit and 4<sup>th</sup> year students who have applied for admission to MTC.

Work Keys – Job Skills assessment system used to measure real-world skills given to our 4<sup>th</sup> year students.

# Congratulations

Jennifer Bull and Ellen Harrison were invited to present October 12th at the Olde English Consortium Fine Arts Day. This was an inservice for arts teachers in Chester, Rock Hill and York counties. They presented on Laban Motif Writing.



Dr. Sarah Crickman, USC/Palmetto Richland Family Medicine Intern, presented a lecture entitled "Introduction to Dermatology" on Wednesday, September 30 for the students in EMS III, Foundations of Health Science, and HST II. The students asked insightful questions and enjoyed hearing about Dr. Crickman's personal journey to becoming a physician. The speaker was accompanied by her supervisor, Dr. Patricia Witherspoon, USC/Palmetto Richland Family Medicine Attending. Ridge View High School Health Science and USC/Palmetto Richland Family Medicine have entered into a community partnership that provides for a monthly guest speaker from the Family Medicine Residency Program during each intern's community medicine rotation.

In conjunction with the USC Family Medicine Department, Ridge View High School Health Science's community partner, students from Mrs. Hinson's EMS III class and Mrs. Melton's HST II class were invited to attend the USC Faculty and Staff Benefits Fair on Thursday, October 8. The students provided a community service by assessing blood pressures for the faculty and staff in attendance. Furthermore, students provided excellent representation and public relations for RVHS, RVHS Health Science, and the Health Occupations Student of America (HOSA) organization and practiced their patient interaction and vital sign assessment skills. Our students truly did an excellent job today at the health fair!



The Ridge View Boys Cross Country team won the 2009 Sandhills Invitational! The JV Boys finished 2nd. This race was held at Sandhills Research Park.

It was a great day that also featured a reunion of former Ridge View runners coming back to participate in the Open Race that morning and a meet and greet with the current team.



RVHS Cross Country Runner, David Jennings



The following students have been chosen to participant in the 2009 Midlands Region Orchestra:

Christine Arroyo, Violin  
Hampton Baily, Bass  
Bianca Walker, Cello

Tomomi Nishizawa, Violin

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Assistant Administrator, Monica Chandler, has been elected to the Board of Directors District K, Richland 2 for RCEA (Richland County Education Association).

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The following students earned awards at the 2009 South Carolina State Fair for their visual artwork. The pieces include drawings, paintings, sculpture, and pottery. Their work will be on display at the fair through October 25.

In photo - clockwise from upper left:

Caitlin Voyles  
Emily Davidson  
Rashmili Vemula  
Shamara Gough  
Abi Steyne  
Kristine Goodrich  
Grace Salter  
Jessi L'ecuyer  
Courtney Reynolds  
Ebony Kennedy  
Kindra Robinson



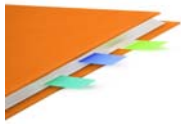
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Volleyball News Alert: Senior Hannah Cox and Sophomore Diara Lewis were selected as All Region Players in Region 4 AAAA.



# Announcements

## From AVID



The AVID classes have been busy this quarter. We have hosted two middle schools, Blythewood Middle and Kelly Mill Middle School. We have had speakers from the South Carolina National Guard and from the University Of South Carolina School Of Social Work. We have also taken our first college trip of the year to Newberry College.

Blythewood Middle School and Kelly Mill Middle Schools were treated to a tour of Ridge View, lunch, and a visit to the Biohealth Magnet and AVID class. They were also able to get their questions answered about high school and the AVID program by a panel of AVID experts, A.K.A AVID students.

SSG Flores from the National Guard spoke to all of the AVID classes about ways to be a good American, characteristics of a good leader, and the prevention of school violence. Rushondra James from USC came and spoke to the classes about opportunities in Social Work at the university. Both of these speakers shared lots of information with us and gave us plenty of food for thought.

The AVID classes visited Newberry College. We got a tour of the campus, met some of the students, and ate in the cafeteria. The cafeteria seems to have been the favorite activity of the day, the food was delicious and all you can eat.

### Upcoming Events:

- Nov. 16- Report Cards and grade conferences
- Nov. 18- AVID Site Team Meeting at 8 AM
- Nov. 19- AVID Honor Society Meeting at Lunch in P-07
- TBA College Visit to USC



Project CARE Tutoring Schedule  
Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays  
3:35 – 4:35  
Algebra I  
Mrs. Osborne/Ms. Roberson A-7  
Algebra I, Part I  
Mrs. Weeks/Ms. James B-53  
English 1/Ms. McCants A-12



Need a yearbook? Yearbooks are still for sale. Senior photos need to be taken by October 15. Senior ads are due by November 3, as are senior quotes. Questions? Call Mrs. Robinson at x 357.



New Ridge View shirts are here!!! They are short sleeve with Ridge View across the front they come in yellow, burgundy and purple. Cost is \$10 each.

## From our College and Career Center



Interested Juniors and Seniors must pick-up a **PASS** in the College and Career Center in order to attend!!

Students interested in taking the **Free ASVAB** exam on Thursday, October 29th may pick-up registration forms in the College and Career Center.

An NCAA workshop will be held in the RVHS Auditorium, Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. This Free informational workshop for athletes and their parents will provide important tips regarding the athletic recruiting process. Please

call The College Funding Center of SC at 798-0390 or go to [www.cfcsc.com](http://www.cfcsc.com) to reserve your seats and handout materials.

### From the Media Center



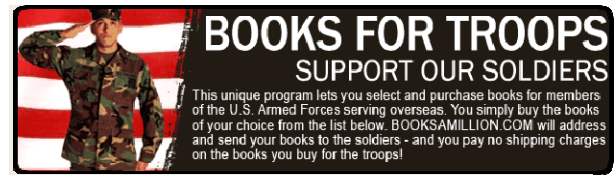
We will welcome **Educational Entertainer Chad Crews** on **Wednesday, October 21**. Chad Crews' program *Authors of Mystery and Horror* is designed to *promote interest in the literary works and lives of several famous authors such as Edgar Allan Poe, Mary Shelly, and Arthur Conan Doyle.*

**Teen Read Week** is in October. We have activities, prizes, and a **BIG SURPRISE** in store for students to celebrate this week. Coming attraction: Celebrities from the WWE on October 20<sup>th</sup>!!!! Stay tuned for more information!

<http://www.ala.org/ala/mgrps/divs/yalsa/teenreading/trw/trw2009/home.cfm>

**The Patrons' Club** held its first meeting on **Wednesday, October 1** in the Media Center

during lunch. They discussed ways to raise money for their community service project:



<http://www.booksamillion.com/booksfortroops?&id=4529339383825>

Faculty and students are encouraged to recommend books and other resources to be included in the Media Center's collection. We want your input; some of our more popular items have been the result of faculty and student recommendations. We love new ideas, and if the recommendations coincide with our selection policy, we will place an order!

## Alumni News

Attention Alumni: We want to hear from you! Please send us updates, along with a current photo of yourself, to [rvh-info@richland2.org](mailto:rvh-info@richland2.org). Please put Alumni News in the subject line!

## Literacy & Writing Spotlight



Beginning this month, we are going to highlight a piece of work that has been nominated by our English teachers and Literacy Coach as an outstanding piece of writing. This month we are recognizing the outstanding writing of Olivia Beauvais.

**hope**  
by Olivia Beauvais

hope is a gilded ghoul  
draining life in an acrid pool  
smiling as if lobotomized  
glassy eyes; hypnotized.

hope, it usurps the soul  
fingers bands, hands ice cold

mind deflated, breath abated  
it stalks the shadows.

Then, to light it comes  
Unknowing, still your heart, it thumbs  
Inhale deep, you smell its stench  
You swallow it down, your nose you pinch

its hands tighten inside your throat  
choking, gasping, hoping to float.  
gargling in utmost despair.  
resign yourself with a prayer.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7:30-8:30	7:30-8:30	No morning tutoring	7:30-8:30	7:30-8:30
Science P-22 McLeod	English P-15 Vanderhorst		English P-15 Vanderhorst	Science P-22 McLeod
No afternoon tutoring	3:40-4:40	3:40-4:40	3:40-4:40	No afternoon tutoring
	English P-17 DeForrest	English P-17 DeForrest	English A-17 Hitchings	
	English A-17		Math B-31	

<b>Hitchings</b>		<b>Chigoba</b>
<b>Math B-31 Chigoba</b>	<b>Science D-79 Brown</b>	<b>Science D-79 Brown</b>
<b>Spanish -A23 Bucheli</b>		<b>Spanish -A23 Bucheli</b>

**Free Tutoring  
Updated Tutoring Schedule as of 10/13/09**

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