



RIVERMONT COLLEGIATE

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Headlines

Influenza A (H1N1) Swine Flu Alert

Rivermont's first concern is for the safety and health of its students. All students have been instructed on proper hand washing techniques and hygiene practices. The teachers will aggressively enforce frequent and proper hand washing. The School will monitor the health of its students and staff following the guidance of the Scott County Health Department. Students or staff exhibiting flu symptoms – fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, chills, fatigue, and in some cases vomiting and diarrhea – should not come to school and should consult with their family physician. We will keep families informed of any new developments via email.

The following information is provided by the Scott County Health Department.



Public Health
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www.scottcountyiowa.com/health/

The Scott County Health Department is encouraging all residents to be on alert for Influenza A (H1N1) swine flu. Confirmed cases of swine flu have been reported in the United States as well as nationally. Two probable cases have been reported in Iowa. The Influenza A (H1N1) virus is spread through contact between people much like seasonal flu [[learn about seasonal flu by clicking here](#)]. As with seasonal flu, individuals and families can practice a variety of precautions to prevent infection and stop the spread of disease. Wash your hands frequently. Always wash hands after coughing or sneezing. Use alcohol based hand gels when hand washing is not possible.

1. Cough or sneeze into a tissue, or your sleeve or elbow.
2. If you feel ill, even if you think you could "tough it out" at work, stay home.
3. Do not send your children to school if they feel ill.

4. Call your health care provider and arrange to be seen and tested in a way that will not endanger the health of others if you have a temperature over 100 F, are coughing, have a sore throat, and experiencing extreme tiredness.

For more information about Influenza A (H1N1) swine flu and status updates visit the Iowa Department of Public Health at www.idph.state.ia.us/adper/swine_flu.asp

A Swine Influenza Hotline has been established for the public to answer questions about the illness: 1-800-447-1985

Rivermont Service Day

Today we held our first All School Service Day. Students scattered across the Quad Cities lending a helping hand and giving back to our wonderful communities.

Kindergarten and First Graders - *clean-up walk* to pick up trash along side the sidewalks in our neighborhood.

Second Graders - visited residents of Good Samaritan Nursing Center in Davenport.

After making cards for nursing home residents **Third Grade** youngsters were at Putnam Museum taking self guided tours and the *If these Walls could Talk...* tour focusing on local history.

Working with Bettendorf Park and Recreation Department, **Fourth and Fifth Graders** and the **Middle School** are cleaned paths and grounds in Bettendorf Middle Park.

Upper School students and faculty traveled to the Kahl Home for the Aged and Infirm, Trinity Episcopal Preschool, Loud Thunder Boy Scout Camp, Camp Abe Lincoln, and the Figge Art Museum.

Rivermont proudly gives back to the community!



May Soccer at Rivermont Collegiate

Coach Knupp will be conducting FREE after school soccer clinics for Rivermont students in grades 4-8 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. on the following dates: May 13, 18, 19, 20, and 27. Contact Coach Knupp at (563) 468-3504 to register your child.

KUDOS Lion Pride!



OC Times Salute to Sports

Congratulations to Dave Wessel on his recent induction in the Quad City Sports Hall of Fame. Dave has been volunteering his time to work with our Varsity Boys' Basketball team and has recently accepted the position of Head Coach for the Rivermont team. ***Congratulations Dave!***

A great big thanks to Sara Nelson, Dana Fee, Ann Mangan, Lori Moran and Sean Goodman for chaperoning the French and Spanish students to the Concordia Language Weekend in Bemidji, MN. Twenty-two students ranging from grades 3-6 participated in a rich immersion experience complete with passports, authentic food, songs, dances, sports and other engaging activities. Concordia offers great summer programs for one or two weeks or 4 week immersion courses for high school credit. Concordia summer programs offer a variety of languages from Finnish, Japanese to Portuguese, www.ConcordiaLanguageVillages.org.

Poster Contest

The Fifth Grade participated in the Q. C. Realtor Association poster contest, "Fair Housing." Neha Haque earned an Honorable Mention for her outstanding poster. All posters will be on view at the Bettendorf Library.

Parents' Council

Got the Write Stuff? No?!

Well then order the Write Stuff School Supply Kit for your student(s) between May 13-22nd! Your student's supplies will be in his or her classroom on the first day of school, which saves you time and money, and proceeds generate money for Rivermont!



Coming Soon!!!

Lunch on the Lawn – Parents are invited to join all of us at Rivermont (grades PS through 12) for Lunch on the Lawn on Friday, May 8th. Early School may come out after the program, LS 11:30 and MS/US lunch will be at 11:50. Bring a blanket and lunch and enjoy the company of all in the Rivermont family. If the ground is wet or the weather rainy, we will be in Becherer Hall.

Physicals for Rivermont Collegiate Student-Athletes

Drs. James and Anne Petre will be at Rivermont on Monday, May 18 to conduct physicals for students who plan to participate in sport programs at Rivermont in the coming year. Middle School students, those entering grades 6th-8th grade may participate in girls volleyball, boys & girls basketball, and boys & girls track. Students entering 5th grade may also participate in our track program. Students entering 4th grade are eligible to participate in an after school soccer program in May of each year and will compete in Rivermont's 4th & 5th grade track meet.

To reduce the wait time on the 18th, please plan to arrive at the following times:

Entering Grade	Time
4 th -6 th	6:30 p.m.
7 th -8 th	7:30 p.m.
9 th -10 th	8:00 p.m.
11 th -12 th	8:30 p.m.

If you have more than one child in need of a physical, please bring them at a time that is convenient for you.

Recycle your **clean, Iowa Deposit** aluminum cans and glass bottles by dropping them off every Friday morning in the barrels near the student drop off sites in the circle and on the backside of Becherer Hall.

Lower School

Lower School Student Council –

Lower School students have adopted a leopard gecko and a Bengal tiger at Niabi Zoo. LS Stuco managed several fund raising projects such as Zoo Day and student raffles to raise money for the adoption.

Early School –

Students in Early School will take parents and guests on a *trip to the farm* at the Early School Music Program on Friday, May 8th at 10:45 in the auditorium. PreSchool and PreKindergarten students will perform favorite rhymes and songs they enjoy daily in class.

Honest Abe!

Last Friday, the 5th grade class ventured to Springfield, Illinois to visit the Abraham Lincoln Museum and the home that he and his family lived in. What a thrill it was. We got to see original pieces of furniture that Lincoln himself used and even touched the same stair railing that he touched!! At the museum students learned about all aspects of his life, the civil war, and his legacy. We even saw a hologram movie that surprised us all. The trip left us all speechless!!!



4th & 5th Grade Track Meet

The Rivermont 4th & 5th graders will be participating in a school track meet on Wednesday, May 20 at the Paul V. Olsen track at Augustana College in Rock Island. Our Rivermont runners, jumpers, and throwers had a great time there last year and we look forward to another great event. The meet will take place in the morning and parents are welcome to attend.



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*where there are no spectators,
 only participants!*

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Upcoming Events Mark Your Calendar!

May

- 1 May Service Day
- 2 **Annual Dinner Auction**
Oh The Places We'll Grow!
- 4-15 **Lower School Art Exhibit**
 & AP Exams
- 4 **Conference Track Meet – Silvis**
- 5 **Open Tour, 8:30 – 10:00 AM**
Young Scholars Open House, 10-11 AM
- 6 **Conference Track Meet – Soule Bowl**
- 8 **Early School Program, 10:45 AM**
LUNCH ON THE LAWN, 11:30 AM
 Upper School Movie Night
- 10 Mother's Day – *Have a great day Moms!*
- 13 **Parents' Council Meeting, 5:00 PM**
- 14 **SpringFest Concert, 7:00 PM**
- 15 MS/US **Imp-Tiger** Day
 Last Day for Seniors
- 18-29 Senior Projects

Parent events are in bold & Early Dismissals are underlined.