AdvancED Surveys
Our AdvancED reaccreditation process involves surveys of all stakeholders (students, parents and staff). One of the requirements is to have students, at Early Elementary (K-2), Elementary (3-5) and Student (6-8) levels, participate in the surveys. We are asking for assistance in preparing your child to answer the demographic questions, so that they will know what to select when they take the survey. See examples of the questions below. Look for a link to parent surveys in next Friday's newsletter. Thank you!

Parent Workshop – Bullying Prevention
Please join Dr. Karin and Ms. Krista on Thursday, October 13th, 8:45-9:45 to discuss myths about bullying, conflict vs. bullying behavior, and ways to keep our students safe. The conversation will be relevant for parents of students of all ages. We look forward to seeing you then!

Early Childhood Parent Education
In accordance with best practices in early childhood education, we are asking parents to complete two screeners for their child. Please complete the Ages and Stages Questionnaire-3 (ASQ-3) for your child; some kindergarten children will not be eligible for this screener based on their date of birth. In addition, Please complete the Ages and Stages Questionnaire-Social Emotional (ASQ: SE). These screeners evaluate children’s language, fine and gross motor, cognitive and social emotional skills. These links will also be on our website under the "My Ricks" tab.

Parent-Teacher Conferences and Kids Adventures
To accommodate for the late conferences on Wednesday, October 19, Kids Adventures will stay open until 7:15pm. For students who are registered, this extension will be free of charge. As a reminder, Kids Adventures will be closed on Thursday, October 20 and Friday, October 21. DU School Days Off will be offered on those days for Ricks’ students. The link to register is http://ritchiecenter.du.edu/youth/school-days-off/. Make sure to indicate Ricks at registration in order to get a 10% discount. They need at least 15-20 students to run these days.
Conference Sign-Up Links

Please find the Ricks conference sign-up links below. These were emailed to families on Wednesday, and are here for your convenience should you need to book additional slots.

The conferences are scheduled for 30 minutes, but the teachers need a transition time between conferences, so plan for 25 minutes as your actual conference time.

Click the name below for the link to sign up.

- **Amy & Kim** - 3rd/4th grade
- **Carol** - Music
- **Gay & Kim** - 3rd/4th grade
- **Jason** - P.E.
- **Jen K.** - Latin
- **Jessica & Maddie** - PreKindergarten
- **Karie W.** - Early Childhood Art
- **Kristina C.** - Spanish
- **Kris Y.** - Reading Specialist
- **Middle School** - 5th-8th grades
- **Odette K.** - French
- **Sara & Ali** - 1st/2nd grade
- **Sean & Amy** - 1st/2nd grade
- **Suzanne & Inger** - Kindergarten
- **Tiffany & Jordan** - PreKindergarten
- **Wendy** - Art
- **Whitney & Torey** - Preschool
Weekly Newsletter Update - DUMay Authorized User Accounts
Morgridge College Finance Department

Over the past few months, we understand there has been confusion and frustration as families try to view and pay bills via PioneerWeb/DUPay. We are working with both the Bursar's Office and University Technology Services to make your user experience easier. In an effort to ensure that you all have consistent access to your child’s financial information, we will create Authorized User accounts for each family. As an Authorized user you have the ability log into DUPay using a personal email address and password, rather than your child’s DUID.

We understand October 1 statements have been issued, Please note that no additional fees or penalties will be assessed on any tuition accounts, as this is an administrative change impacting a majority of our community. We will be working diligently to ensure this change is swift. If you have already set up an Authorized User account prior to this change – your account will not be impacted. You will be able to access your child’s account via your personal email as usual.

New Authorized Users:

If you attempt to access your child’s PioneerWeb/DUPay account on Monday, October 3rd, via their DUID (87* number) you may receive a message indicating that your password for their account is no longer active. We will be resetting student PioneerWeb/DUPay accounts to a default password to allow the set up an Authorized User account for your family. Please do not attempt to change this password.

You will receive an email by Tuesday, October 4th, asking you to establish your password credentials for your new Authorized User account. This account will be tied to the primary email account indicated in your child’s records.

If you have more than one child enrolled at Ricks, your new Authorized User account will pull all of their account information. You will only need to set up your password credentials once to obtain access to all of their accounts.

DUPay has many convenient features. You can view account activity, view statements and make payments and store a payment method. If you prefer to make payments via check or cash, your Authorized User account will not change that process.

Moving Forward –

We hope that this change ensures all of our families always have access to current billing information and minimizes the confusion associated with accessing this information. If at any point you would like to change the email address this account is associated with, please let me know.

After October 4th, to view statements and make online payments, please use the following link: https://secure.touchnet.com/C21649_tsa/web/login.jsp

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Welcome Kailee Kemp

We are excited to introduce Kailee Kemp, our new Communications Intern. Kailee will be working with Amy Jacobs on strengthening the communication within Ricks Center.

As Kailee shared with us “My name is Kailee Kemp, and I am the Communications Intern at Ricks for the 2016-2017 school year. I just wanted to introduce myself to you as you will likely be seeing me around, hearing from me, and hopefully working with me on some great projects that Amy, Angela, Anne and I are very excited for.

A bit about myself: I am a senior at the University of Denver, graduating this June (2017) with a Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Socio-Legal Studies. To be completely honest, I have always had a plan (I’m big into planning and scheduling- Hello Type A!) but at this point in my life, I have no idea what is coming after graduation. That is utterly terrifying to me, but I am slowly learning that sometimes it’s okay not to know. My dream is to be a Director of Communications somewhere, whether that be for a big company or a school/school district. I was a Nanny for several years for about 6 different families and I adore children so I would love for my future career to involve that experience somehow.

When I am not at Ricks, I am either in class or at one of my other jobs where I am a dental assistant for best Endodontists in town (root canals- woo!), and a health coach/Barre instructor for Herbalife and Fitrition (gym/health club)."

Save the Date

Parent Workshop: Bullying Prevention - Oct 13, 8:45-9:45 am
Ricks Day at Women’s Soccer - Oct 9, 12:00 pm
Parent conferences will be run Oct 19 (pm only), 20, 21 (see sign up below for teacher availability)
No school for students - Oct 20 and 21
Teacher Professional Development Day - Oct 24 (No school for students)
Parent Workshop: NAEYC and the Importance of Play, Nov 3, 8:45-9:45 am
RCA Gala, Nov 11
Parent Workshop: Gifted Education with Norma Hafenstein, Nov 17, 8:45-9:45 am
Thanksgiving Holiday, Nov 21-24 (No school)
Grandparents and Special Persons Day, Nov 28, 9:00-11:00 am

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Parent Workshop: Reflection on Ricks' school mission - Dec 15 8:45-9:45 am