



Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports

WELCOME TO RAINIER!











Rainier Middle School Mission

We are committed to a safe, kind, restorative, and learning-focused environment that fosters positive relationships through full-implementation of positive behavior supports, staff collaboration, data-driven programs, and culturally relevant teaching. We are devoted to a respectful, responsible, and equitable community in order to close the opportunity gap for ALL students.

Rainier Middle School Vision

ALL students will be prepared to excel in high school and will be on the path for college and career readiness in a global society.

Education and Equity

EQUALITY VERSUS EQUITY



In the first image, it is assumed that everyone will benefit from the same supports. They are being treated equally.



In the second image, individuals are given different supports to make it possible for them to have equal access to the game. They are being treated equitably.



In the third image, all three can see the game without any supports or accommodations because the cause of the inequity was addressed. The systemic barrier has been removed.

Why It's Great to be at RMS!

- ★ Academic Achievements
 - Leadership Classes
 - Journalism
 - National Honor Society
 - National History Day
 - AVID Schoolwide and AVID Elective
- **★** Athletic Achievements

- **★** Multicultural Club
- **★** PBIS Rewards
- **★** Student Advisory
- ★ Diverse Student Population
- ★ ASB (Bashes/Dances)
- **★** Fun Assemblies
- ★ Music Classes

What's New or Continuing at Rainier...?

- 1. PBIS-- "Do Your B.E.S.T." (Be Safe, Encourage Kindness, Show Respect, Take Responsibility)
- 2. AVID Schoolwide--The "Focused Note Taking Process" and focus on "Organization" for students with our "Physical Binders"
- 3. Continue to focus on Equity & Culturally Responsive Teaching.
- 4. Continue to expand our Social/Emotional Learning in the Fall that includes Restorative Practices.
- 5. Cell Phone Policy: Before School, Lunch, and After School

PBIS Rewards

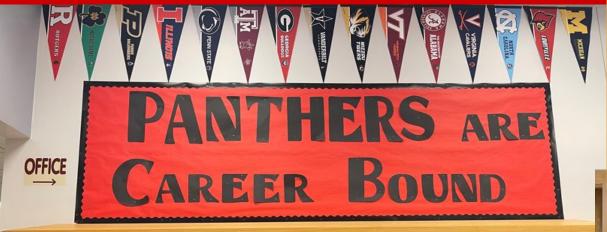
(Positive Behavior Intervention Supports)

- -Quarterly Pizza and Movie Party for students
- -Weekly "Turn Ins" to get various prizes and rewards
- -Ice Cream Party for Best 4th Period Attendance
- -Weekly Acknowledgements for Small Prizes





PBIS and Empathy Awards









Rainier Administrators









Principal: Justin Maier

Assistant Principal: Carey Rockey

Assistant Principal: Roland Sydney

Dean: Kat Sherer

Behavior Teaching Specialist



Jay McGuffin

Administrative Intern



Marie Quist

6th Grade Staff

- ★ <u>Math</u>
 - Christy Gullard
 - Charlie Thomas
 - Marci Paradis
- ★ Science
 - Thomas Olson
 - Jessalynn Sturza (AVID)
 - Savannah Felchlin

- ★ Social Studies
 - o Danielle Shelffo
 - o Brandon Keene
 - Katelynn Lambdin
- ★ EL Teachers
 - Kad Abraham
 - Nathan Saucerman
 - Brian Frisch
- ★ <u>ELA</u>
 - Kennedy Kniss
 - Jessica White
 - o Denisa Maria/Shelley Warner

- Electives
 - Dana Lede
 - Robert Moritz
 - Jonathan Heintz
 - Al Gifford
 - Mable Higgins
 - Andrew Lindberg
 - o Dawn Rasmussen
- ★ PE/Health
 - Nick Harteau
 - Matt Ludwigson
 - Paul Furth
 - Janell Carlson

Family Liaison

Security Officer







Lydia Guerrero

Lorenzo Holcomb

Front Office Staff



Laura Gomez (ASB)

Ryan Enquist (Office Assistant)



Jeanne Rudolph (Office Manager)

Front Office Staff



Shawna McKee (Registrar)



Kelly Schaper (Attendance)

Health Room



Erika Austin (Nurse)



Jillian Baxter (Health Tech)

Counselors



Ashley Pernell (A-G)



Lani Fejarang (H-N)



Greg Erickson (O-Z)

School Counseling Services

- ★ Schedules
- ★ McKinney-Vento
- ★ Social Emotional Support
- ★ Check-Ins
- ★ Conflict Resolution
- ★ Anti-Bullying
- ★ Home-Visits
- ★ Anti-Drug/Alcohol
- **★** SBIRT
- ★ 504 Plans

Ashley Pernell: A - G

Lani Fejarang: H - N

Greg Erickson: O - Z

Mrs. "Rali"- PSESD Behavior Health Assistant



We are pleased to announce that Rainier Middle School now offers a Student Assistance Program to support the behavioral health needs of our students. Our Behavioral Health Assistant provides information, guidance and support to students who are impacted by emotional stressors and behavioral health challenges.

The goals of the program include:

- 1. Improve access to behavioral health services
- 2. Increase awareness of the signs and symptoms of mental illness and encourage help-seeking behavior
- 3. Develop healthy coping skills
- 4. Improve school performance

Ralitsa Sergieva aka Mrs. Rali is the Behavioral Health Assistant assigned to Rainier Middle School. Office hours are Monday-Friday 7:00am-3:00pm.

Athletics

Athletic Director: Kat Sherer

Athletic Forms and Questions: Laura Gomez





6th Grade Athletics

Season #1 Aug 28-Nov 3

Football 7th & 8th grade only

Girls' Fastpitch

Season #2 Nov 13-Jan 19

Boys' Basketball

Gymnastics

Girls Soccer

Season #3 Jan 29-March 29

Wrestling

Girls Basketball

Boys Soccer

Season #4 April 15-June 4

Boys' & Girls' Track

Boys Baseball

Girls' Volleyball

How can I get my son or daughter eligible to participate in 6th grade sports?

Complete the Student On-Line Athletic Packet

- Know your Student Log-in to Skyward (Also known as Family Access)
- Watch the Concussion and Sudden Cardiac Arrest Information Video (Green Checks on all parts)

Complete the Family/Parent On-Line Athletic Packet

- Know your Family Access Log-in to Skyward
- If you forgot your Password, type in your Login ID and click on "Forgot your Login/Password?"
- Complete all Insurance information and watch the concussion video. (Green Checks on all parts)
- PRINT THE DR. PHYSICAL FORM

Have a Primary care Physician complete a physical evaluation of the student-athlete and turn in the form.

- Dr. fills out the Physical Form (Good for 2 years)
- Turn in the Form to Mrs. Gomez in the main office.

These 3 steps must be completed **BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF THE SEASON** in order to be eligible to participate in that sport.

Rainier Middle School = AVID School

ALL students will be prepared to excel in high school and will be on the path for college and career readiness in a global society.





Rainier Middle School = AVID School

AVID Schoolwide

Everyone participates!

- AVID Focused Notes in all classes
- Binders





AVID Elective

Students go through an application process

- 6th Grade Elective
- 7th Grade Elective
- 8th Grade Elective

Once you are in AVID, you stay in the AVID Elective class from 6th grade to 12th grade

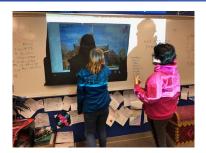


The AVID Elective is...

- ★ A place to build a community with like-minded students
- ★ Supportive environment to assist with organization and skill building (for all content areas)
- ★ Post high school planning and preparation
- ★ Goal setting



The AVID Elective is...



















A week in the life of an AVID student:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lessons on WICOR (Socratic Seminars, Philosophical Chairs) Binder Checks (helps us stay organized & not lose the work you worked so hard on!)	Tutorials	Lessons on WICOR Binder Checks (helps us stay organized & not lose the work you worked so hard on!) Goal Setting	Tutorials	AVID Family Time Team Building/Bonding:) Field Trips! (mostly to colleges) Guest Speakers



AVID Scholars @ PLU









AVID Scholars @ Renton Technical











Who are we looking for to be in AVID?

- ★ GPA of 2.0 to 3.5
- ★ Scores of 2's and 3's on SBA
 - ★ Motivated and Determined
- ★ Has Demonstrated Leadership
- ★ Not Afraid of Public Speaking
- ★ Limited College Experience by Parent/Guardians

Can I Fill Out An Interest Form Tonight? YES!!!

★ Grab a blue interest sheet, fill it out, leave it here with us!





ASB at Rainier



ASB is a great opportunity for those students who want to be more involved in their school community!

ASB helps with the funding for sports, clubs and activities, as well as hosts things like:

- -BASH's
- -School events (like talent shows!)
- -Fundraisers

ASB will be looking for 6th grade senators who are:

-interested in making positive changes to RMS

-wanting to advocate for student needs in, and outside of the classroom

-want to learn collaboration skills and take part in democratic processes

-have fun and make friends!



CHromebooks



#1 All incoming 6th graders and any new students will get a chromebook during the first two weeks of September.

#2 There will be an annual \$5 maintenance fee that can be paid in Skyward after July 19th or at August Registration.

https://wa-auburn.intouchreceipting.com/

-More information can be found at:

www.auburn.wednet.edu/chromebooks/fees



CHromeBooks

#3

For 6th grade students, new students to the district, and those who did not sign it last year, please sign the TECHNOLOGY AGREEMENT in Family Access. This explains the Chromebook 1:1 program, parent and student responsibilities, and data security.

And read the Chromebook 1:1 Take Home page

https://www.auburn.wednet.edu/Page/18858

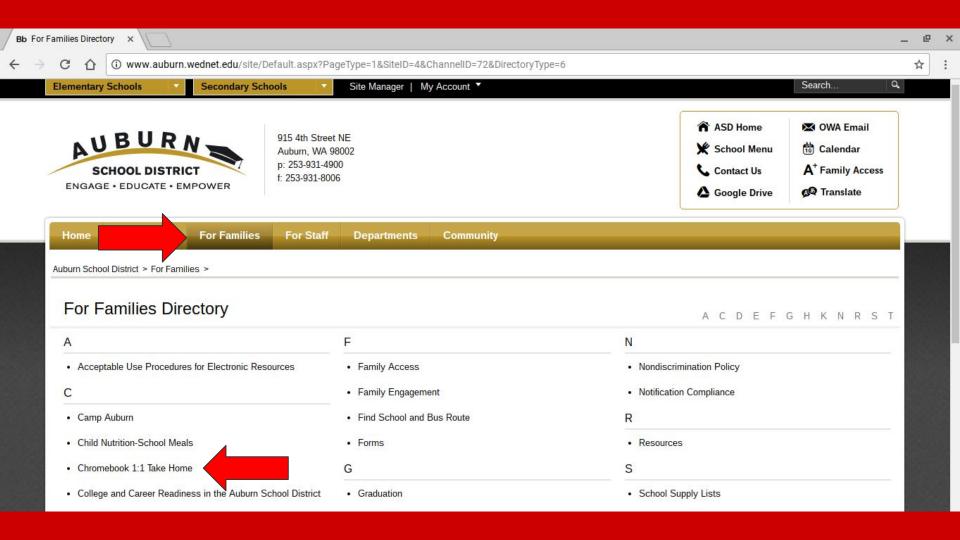


CHROMEBOOK 1:1 TAKE HOME: GETTING STARTED WITH YOUR CHROMEBOOK

Our District

For Families

- Student 1:1
- Responsibility Manual
- Chromebook Fees
 Fines
- Help with Your Chromebook
- ▶ ASD Symbaloo
- How to Login to Your Class Resources
- Senior Chromebook Buy Option 21-22 SY
- ▶ FAQs
- For Parents
- Tech Levy Updates
- Student 1:1 Chromebook Orientation



Skyward Family Access

Why should I use Family Access?



Family Access is a web based tool designed to enhance parent/guardian and school communication.

What can I do or find in Family Access?

One login allows parents/guardians to view the records of all students within a single family, even if they are at different Auburn School District schools. Students and parents/guardians each have their own login account. Parents/Guardians can view:

- Student Information and emergency contact information
- Assignments and grades in the teacher's Gradebook
- Attendance
- Class schedules and Teachers' email addresses
- Messages from the school office or teachers
- · Vaccination records and Health Information
- Food Service balance and account information
- Academic History previous years' grading information
- In "My Account" create automated email notifications for attendance, grades and food service low balance
- In "Report Cards and Documents" view your middle and high school student's most recent grade report
- Graduation Requirements coursework status for high school students

How do I get Family Access?

Login names and passwords are available through each school office. Alternatively, if a parent/guardian has an email address already in our student information system, he/she can use the "Forgot your Login/Password?" option on the Skyward Family Access login screen to gain access to a Family Access login and password via email.



How do I log onto Family Access?

On the Auburn School District main URL/web site http://www.auburn.wednet.edu there is a link to Family Access – see the upper right corner of the screen. This same link is also available on each school's web site.



Rainier Middle School is a TITLE I & LAP School (Mrs. Rock)

Extra Funding for:

- Reading & Math Intervention classes and push in support
- After School Math Support
- Community Outreach
- > Instructional Coach
- > Para Educators (3)

6th Grade Math Path at Rainier Middle School

5th grade math —> Math 101: 6th grade math (next course in sequence; default placement)

5th grade math —> Math 150: Accelerated 6th grade math and 1st semester of 7th grade math (High Score on iReady and SBA in 5th grade)

5th grade math —> Math 250: Skip 6th grade math; Accelerated 7th and 8th grade math (High Score on iReady and SBA in 5th grade AND Placement Test*)

*Placement test given first week of school

For questions please contact Michele Rock at mrock@auburn.wednet.edu

Does My Pre-Teen Still Need Me Involved?

YES!!!



How Can I Stay Involved?

- -Join our New and Wonderful PTA in the Fall
- -Continually Check Skyward (Family Access) for Grades and Attendance
- -Encourage your child to read 20 minutes a night with you and ask questions about their reading

- -Partner with and initiate conversations with your child's teachers and counselors
- -Encourage your child to join a club/sport and have conversations with your child about these programs

-Ask your child about their classes and AVID Strategies...

Middle School: A second window of opportunity for brain development







0-3 years old

9-14 years old





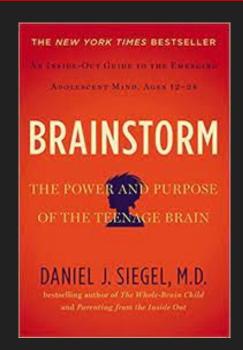


ES: Emotional Spark

SE: Social Engagement

N: Novelty

CE: Creative explorations



Why Should I Join the Amazing RMS PTA?

We are an excellent organization of parents and RMS staff.

- Our meetings are only held the 2nd Tuesday of each month, usually around 7:00 PM.
- Parents and Staff work together to organize fundraisers and activities that benefit the school community.
- It's a way to connect with other RMS families and work together for the benefit of our students.
- Please consider joining and email PTA President Krystina Morton if you have any questions: krystinacummins88@gmail.com

Dates to Remember!!!

Welcome Back Day - August 30, 2023 8:00am - 12:00pm

- Students pick up schedules
- Students pay class fees
- Students receive PE Locks
- Students become familiar with their schedule and locker

First Day of School - Sept. 6th, 2023 (May just be 6th graders in the A.M.)

Open House - Sept. 28th 5:45pm - 8:00pm

- Meet your student's teachers
- Learn your student's schedule

Thank You, Panther Parents!

"In times of crisis, the wise build bridges, while the foolish build barriers. We must find a way to look after each other as if we were one single tribe." (*Black Panther*)