

RIVERVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Wausau, Wisconsin

Dear Riverview Parents,

Hopefully, you are hearing from your child about some of the new and exciting things going on at Riverview School as it relates to behavioral expectations. You may have heard about our All-School Meetings, Riverview R.O.C.K.S., (**R**espectful, **O**utstanding, **C**ooperative, **K**ind **S**tudents) Roadrunner Ribbons, Our Cheer, Voice Meters, Acknowledgements, and Behavior Tracking Forms. All of these terms are part of P.B.I.S.

P.B.I.S. (**P**ositive **B**ehavioral **I**nterventions & **S**upport) is a framework supported by the Wisconsin Department of Education and the Wausau School District to promote and maximize academic achievement and behavioral competence. It is a school-wide strategy for helping all students achieve important social and learning goals. We know that when good behavior and good teaching come together, our students will excel in their learning. Riverview School is proud to be a part of this exciting initiative.

As part of the P.B.I.S. framework, we have established clear rules for the behaviors we expect in all areas of our school. These expectations are explained in our Behavior Matrix, which you will find on the website. We will teach these expectations to the students during our All-School Meetings and during our review activities. Our staff will verbally acknowledge students' appropriate behaviors and acknowledge their behaviors by giving them a Roadrunner Ribbon. Students will add their Roadrunner Ribbon to our Roadrunner Ribbon Box. At the end of each week, we will have a drawing for those students who have earned a Roadrunner Ribbon. Students will have their name announced during the morning announcements, have their picture taken and displayed on our "Riverview Hallway of Fame", and receive a little "token." The expectations for all student behaviors will be clear throughout our classrooms, playground, lunchroom, gym, bathrooms, and hallways.

Our expectations will provide a school environment where more time is spent instructing and less time spent disciplining. If your child does have a discipline concern, an Office Discipline Referral Form (ODR) will be completed. Our website contains a copy of the Office Discipline Referral Form and a chart explaining what "Majors" and "Minors" are as it applies to the form. If your child has a "Major" a copy will be sent home with your child and a copy will be sent home via the mail. If your child receives a "Minor," a copy will just be sent home with your child. If your child receives an ODR, we ask that you please discuss the behavior concern with your child, sign, and return the form to school. We will have consistent consequences and positive reinforcement for all kids.

By teaching the expected behaviors in a positive way, we are providing a common language for everyone in our building, including students, teachers, and staff. We believe that by helping students practice good behavior, we will build a school community where all students can learn. Please contact us if you have any questions or need further information. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

The Riverview P.B.I.S. Committee