



GOODNEWS FROM THE RIDGEFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

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MSP/HSPE SCORE HIGHLIGHTS

Each year, Washington state requires every school to administer the High School Proficiency Exam (HSPE) to students in 10th grade and the Measurement of Student Progress (MSP) to students in 3rd-8th grade as part of the No Child Left Behind Act. The results of the 2011 MSP/HSPE test were released in mid-September. Here are some highlights from Ridgefield School District:

- Ridgefield's 3rd grade is #2 in the county for Math and #3 for Reading.
- Ridgefield's 4th grade is #1 in the region for both Reading and Math, and #2 in Writing.
- Ridgefield's 5th grade is #2 for Math and #3 for Reading in the county.
- South Ridge Elementary School's 4th grade is #1 in the county for all three tests: Reading, Writing and Math.

- In 2011, Union Ridge Elementary's 6th graders scored 72.9% in Math, a 34.3% improvement from their 5th grade 38.6% Math scores last year. By comparison, 6th graders throughout the state only improved 5.2% year-over-year.
- Ridgefield's elementary schools (K-6) outperformed the statewide scores in all 10 elementary testing categories.
- Ridgefield's upper grades (7-8, 10) outperformed the statewide scores in 7 out of 10 testing categories.
- As a district, Ridgefield schools outperformed the statewide scores in 17 of the 20 testing categories.

Though we are pleased and proud of these results, our teachers and administrators continue to implement strategies to improve student learning.



Schools are a Hole-in-One

The 2nd Annual Ridgefield Public Schools' Foundation Golf Tournament was a huge success with over 60 participants! The foundation thanks everyone who participated and showed their love for Ridgefield's schools by participating in this annual fundraiser.

Story or event suggestions?
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SPEECH TEAM ROCKS TOURNAMENT

Tyler Bieber placed fifth in the nation for the Impromptu Speaking category at the National Forensic League's National Tournament in Dallas, Texas. Bieber beat out more than 400 competitors to earn his place. Josette Bisbee earned the Academic All-American designation, an award based on competitive scoring in GPA, SAT scores, and citizenship.

JOHNSON WINS THUNDER

Brett Johnson, RHS student and last year's Class 1A Golf Tournament champion, won the Thunder Invitational in September. The 13th Annual Thunder Invitational invites high school golfers from around the region to compete at the Tri-Mountain Golf Course in Ridgefield.

SPUDDERS MAKE ALL-STATE

Four Spudders were selected for the 2010-2011 Boys All-State Soccer Team. Congratulations to Travis Heim, Tanner Konkright, Miller Grening, and Cameron Goddard.



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Upcoming Events

- ❏ **OCTOBER 2-6:** CISPUS Outdoor School (5th Grade)
- ❏ **OCTOBER 12:** College Information Night at 6:30pm (RHS)
- ❏ **OCTOBER 21:** Homecoming Game at 7pm (RHS)
- ❏ **NOVEMBER 3:** High School Band Concert at 7pm (RHS)
- ❏ **NOVEMBER 14:** Election Day

Detailed event information available online: www.ridge.k12.wa.us