

Rye Neck Schools

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August 27th, 2021

Dear Rye Neck Families,

Our Opening Day on September 1st is rapidly approaching and everyone here at Rye Neck is excited to see our students. The first day of school is always a special time, full of haircuts, new shoes, and stories of travel and adventure. Friends reconnect and new friendships begin.

New Website!

Rye Neck just launched our new school district website, which also includes revamped websites for each of our four schools! They're easy to navigate and have more advanced features. **If you haven't visited already, please make sure you are aware of the new school district site, and each school site, listed below:**

- The school district's main website can be found here: <https://www.ryeneck.org/Page/1>
- Daniel Warren Elementary School: <https://www.ryeneck.org/Domain/8>
- F.E. Bellows Elementary School: <https://www.ryeneck.org/Domain/9>
- Rye Neck Middle School: <https://www.ryeneck.org/Domain/10>
- Rye Neck High School: <https://www.ryeneck.org/Domain/11>

One additional reminder, our school district has a Facebook account and Twitter account. These two social media platforms will share informative and timely information about the district, and will highlight photos of the incredible work and achievements being made at each of our four schools.

- Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/ryeneckufsd/>
- Twitter: <https://twitter.com/ryeneckschools>

COVID Safety

The Rye Neck Administrative team presented our COVID Operation Plan at 6:00 on Thursday night, August 26th. Both the presentation and the plan itself are posted on the district website under the "COVID" Popular Link, but you can view both here:

- [COVID Operation Plan Parent Presentation](#)
- [Rye Neck 2021-22 COVID Operation Plan](#)

The WCDOH will come for their second visit to the Rye Neck MS/HS Community Room from 12:00 to 4:00 pm on Wednesday, September 1st. This will provide second doses for the initial

group who participated on August 11th and first doses for anyone who wants one. Walk-ins will be accommodated.

Rye Neck is participating in the Westchester County COVID-19 School Screening Testing Program. We were informed that WCDOH has chosen Mt. Sinai as our vendor and will shortly be providing parent cover letters and consent forms, plus specific information about the testing itself. The program's gateway screening testing will provide a baseline COVID-19 rate in our school population, while weekly 20% screening testing program will help our district detect pre-symptomatic and asymptomatic COVID-19 cases, thus limiting the spread of the virus and helping keep our schools safe and open for learning.

Hillside Avenue Bridge closure

We received this email from the Village of Mamaroneck that may or may not affect you:

"The Hillside Avenue Bridge is scheduled to be closed beginning September 8, 2021. It is anticipated that it will remain closed until April 2022. As the east side of the bridge is located in RNUFSD and the west side is located in the MUFSD, this should have little impact on your students other than the impact it may have on parents driving their children to the schools."

In case you are unfamiliar with the specific location, the Northwest end of Hillside Avenue is across from The Mamaroneck Avenue School while the Southeast end connects with Halstead between Melbourne and Beach.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone for the first day of school next week!

Best regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eric Lutinski".

Dr. Eric Lutinski
Superintendent of Schools