FEBRUARY 2024

WORD OF THE MONTH: Friendship

"A friend is one soul abiding in 2 bodies."

-Aristotle

A Note from our Principal

Dear RTS Middle School Families,

I hope this message finds you in good health and spirits. As we embrace the month of February, I want to share some exciting updates and important information with you.

I am pleased to announce that our recent practice New York State Computer-Based Testing (CBT) sessions went exceptionally well. Our students demonstrated focus, adaptability, and resilience during these exercises. The experience gained from these practice sessions will undoubtedly contribute to their confidence as we approach the actual NYS exams in April and May. I commend both students and teachers for their hard work and dedication to making these preparations successful.

As we look ahead, we are gearing up for the official New York State exams scheduled for April and May this year. Our staff is committed to providing a supportive and encouraging environment for our students during this testing period. Your continued support at home plays a crucial role in ensuring our students feel prepared and confident. Please stay tuned for more detailed information and helpful tips as we approach the testing dates.

Our Love Makes the World Go Around activity has been receiving heartwarming responses from around the United States. We've started to receive postcards and notes, and it's truly heartening to witness the kindness and generosity of others. If you know of anyone who would still like to send a note or postcard to our students, please encourage them to send it to RTS Middle School, 1040 Conklin Rd, Conklin NY 13748. Your support in spreading love and positivity is greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your continued partnership in your child's education. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Warm regards,

Laura Karlson Principal

Important Dates

2/1- 2 HOUR DELAY FOR STUDENTS

212- Q2 REPORT CARDS MAILED

2/9- RTS ONLY GLOW IN THE DARK DANCE 5:30PM

2/14- VALENTINE'S DAY

2/16-2/19- NO SCHOOL- PRESIDENT'S DAY WEEKEND

2/21- BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING 6PM

2/23-2/25- "SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL" PERFORMANCES BY OUR SABER STAGE

Peer

Leaders

Our 8th Grade Peer Leaders will be presenting to 4th grade students at Donnelly on February 27th and Brookside on February 28th!! They will engage the 4th grade students in interactive lessons that promote good choices and inspire them to take part in positive activities.



Mrs. Wright's French
Classes will be
celebrating Mardi Gras
on February 13th!



School will be closed on Friday, February 16th and Monday, February 19th, in observance of President's Day.



Grade Reporting:

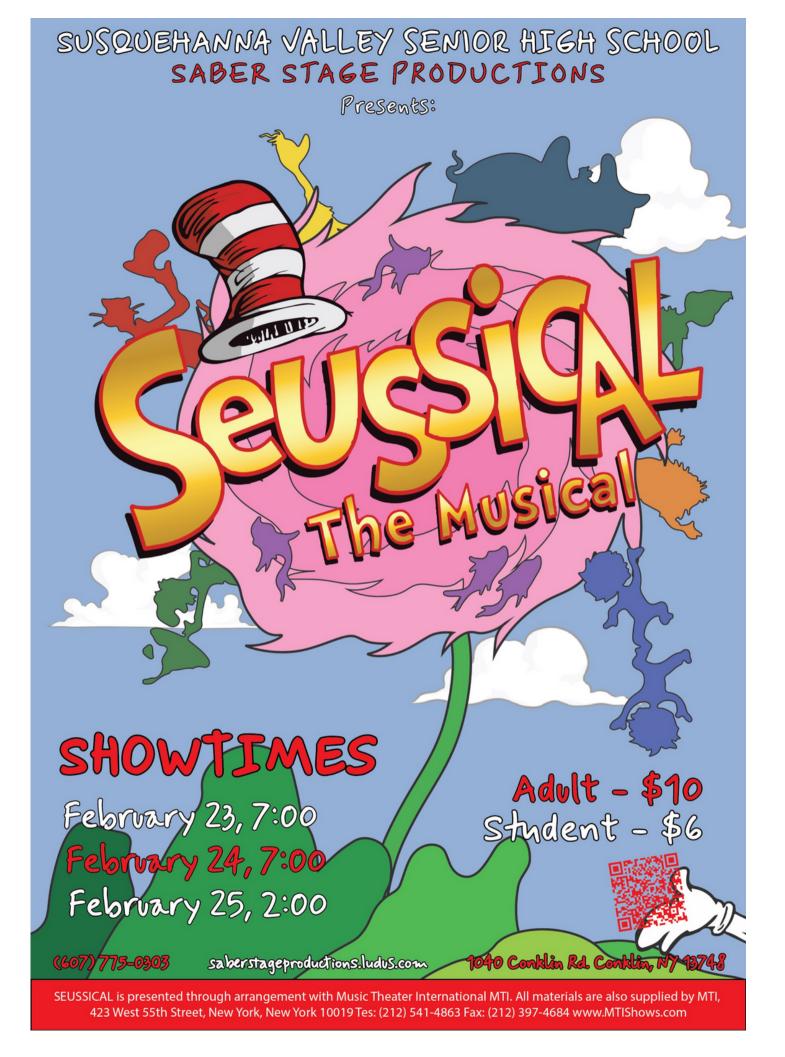
Quarter 2 report cards will be mailed Friday, February 2nd. Please be sure to contact your student's school counselor with any questions/concerns that you may have regarding their academic status. Please contact the office if you need to set up a Parent Portal account or if you are having trouble accessing your existing Parent Portal account. The office telephone number is 607-775-9132.

Attention Parents with 8th grade students:

Last month, our school counselors presented information regarding high school planning, graduation requirements and career planning to the 8th grade students. Each student has created a course selection sheet for the 2024-2025 school year to review with their parent/guardian. Please look for this document to come home & discuss their scheduling choices with them. From February 26th through March 25th, the school counselors will hold individual scheduling conferences with all 8th grade students to finalize the courses that the students will be taking for their 9th grade year. Considering the importance of this conference, we strongly encourage parents/guardians to participate. If you are unable to attend, a copy of the final course requests will be sent home with your student. If you would like to attend your student's conference, you are invited to attend via ZOOM or in person. Conference appointments typically range from twenty (20) to thirty (30) minutes. Appointments are available beginning as early as 8:00 AM, with the last daily appointment scheduled at 2:30 PM. Although the conferences will be scheduled through March 22nd, we ask that you fill out the Google appointment request form by Monday, February 12th.

After the form is submitted, please look for e-mail confirmation to verify the scheduled date and time of your conference. The shortened URL to access the Google form is: https://forms.gle/5N6KHkihUDF1aqEt6. This will also be sent to the parent/guardian in an e-mail we have on file. If you have any difficulty completing/submitting the Google form, please reach out to the Guidance Office at your soonest opportunity at 607-775-9132.





Lunch Chicken Patty on a Kaiser Sweet Potato Crinkle Cut Fries Steamed Mixed Vegetables NY Apple or Chilled Mixed Fruit NY Milk	Breakfast Mini Pancakes Missorted Fresh Fruit or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk		No School	Lunch Cheeseburger on a Kaiser Sweet Potato Crinkle Cut Fries Steamed Green Beans NY Apple or Chilled Mixed Fruit NY Milk	Breakfast Mini Stuffed Bagels Assorted Fresh Fruit or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk
Lunch NY Walking Taco w/ assorted toppings NY Black Beans Corn Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk	Breakfast Cinnamon Bun Assorted Fresh Fruit or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk	Lunch Chicken Nuggets Wheat Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots NY Apple or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk	Breakfast Breakfast Breads Breakfast Breids Assorted Fresh Fruit or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk	Lunch NY Taco's w/ assorted toppings Taco Seasoned Rice Corn Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk	Breakfast Cinnamon Bun Assorted Fresh Fruit or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk
Lunch Boneless Chicken Wings Corn Bread Poppers Maple Sweet Carrots Veggie Cruncher Cup w/ Hummus/Dip Baby Carrots Fresh Orange or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk	28 Breakfast Bacon Scramble Breakfast Pizza Assorted Fresh Fruit or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk	Lunch Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Veggie Cruncher Cup w/ Hummus/Dip Baby Carrots Fresh Banana or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk	Breakfast Bagel Breakfast Pizza Bagel Breakfast Pizza Assorted Fresh Fruit or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk	Lunch Chicken Spiedie on a Hot Dog Roll Oven Roasted Potatoes Veggie Cruncher Cup w/ Hummus/Dip Baby Carrots Fresh Banana or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk Strawberry Sundae Cup	14 Breakfast Bacon Scramble Breakfast Pizza Assorted Fresh Fruit or Chilled Mixed Fruit 100% Juice NY Milk
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