# Website Update, January 21, 2022

#### 2021-2022 School Year

### Calendar Reminders

February 18 Blended Learning (Remote Day)/Professional Development

February 21 President's Day---No School March 11 Staff Work Day---No School

March 25 Blended Learning (Remote Day)/Professional Development

### **Blended Learning/Professional Development Days**

Ridgewood Local Schools will be operating on Blended Learning Day (Remote) on February 18 and March 25, 2022. Schools will be closed to students on those two days, and students will engage in remote learning. The students will complete blended learning activities on Kindness and Respect. Students in grades 3-10 will also complete a state released ELA practice test with a written response. The blended learning activity may be online or paper. The blended learning activities will be distributed and collected by the students' 1<sup>st</sup> period/homeroom teacher for grades K-10. Students in grade 11 and 12 will receive an email notification with their activities. Completion of blended learning activity will count towards students' attendance for Friday, February 18. Staff members will be involved in professional development covering School Safety and Instructional Framework

### Blizzard Bags will be used for Snow Days 8, 9 and 10

Pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code section 3313.482, the Ridgewood Local School Board hereby authorizes the use of blizzard bags to allow students of the district to access and complete classroom lessons in order to fulfill up to a maximum number of hours that are the equivalent of three school days because of the closings of schools for any of the reasons specified in sections 3313.482. This plan will go in effect for **Day 8, 9, and 10** calamity days. The blizzard bag plans will be posted on our district website. The calamity day plan (blizzard bag) will be made available for students to access online or as a paper copy (blizzard bag) lesson. If the teacher is utilizing a paper lesson, it will be sent home with the student. Ridgewood Local School District teachers will be available through their school email on blizzard bag days during normal school hours. Students will be granted two weeks from the date of reopening to complete the blizzard bag lessons. We will provide access to computers in our buildings before, during or after school in order for the students to complete any online assignment. Students that were given paper copies (blizzard bags) will also have two weeks to complete the lesson from the date of reopening. Ridgewood Local Schools have currently use four snow days.

## **Calamity Days (Snow Days)**

Our decision to close school due to weather is based solely on the safety of our students and staff. We utilize data from multiple sources such as weather reports, local and state road conditions as well as contact with area school superintendents when closing school.

We will use a variety of communication avenues when delaying or closing. We will post closings and delays on our school district app as well as our website <a href="www.ridgewood.k12.oh.us">www.ridgewood.k12.oh.us</a>. We will also utilize our call system. School closings and/ or delays will be notified if possible the prior evening or by 5:30 a.m. It is important to update any changes to your phone with our Central Office at 545-

6354. In addition, closing and delays will be reported to the following radio stations WTNS, WTUZ, WJER and television stations WHIZ, NBC4, 10WBNS and ABC6/Fox.

We will utilize blizzard bags on snow day 8, 9 and 10. Blizzard bag information/assignments will be sent home with your child or may be found on the district website. Teachers will be available via email on blizzard bag days during normal school hours.

### Safe Routes to School

Safe Routes to School is a grant the West Lafayette Village is working on. If awarded, it could include new sidewalks, crosswalks and signing to provide a safer way to walk or bike throughout the village. As part of the application process for grant funding, we would like for parents and caregivers of students in the district to complete a survey. The survey only takes 5-10 minutes and families need only complete one survey per school building their children attends. Click here for the survey.

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### **Back to School and Athletic Forms**

Back to school forms as well as athletic forms may now be completed online using the Parent Portal located at the <a href="https://www.ridgewood.k12.oh.us">www.ridgewood.k12.oh.us</a>. If you need help, please contact your child's school building.

### **Building Hours**

Our buildings will be open on student days from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Ridgewood Elementary School	740-545-5312
Ridgewood Middle School	740-545-6335
Ridgewood High School	740-545-6345
Ridgewood Local Schools	740-545-7639