



RIDGEWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Meeting Minutes

March 4, 2024

Minutes of the Regular Public Meeting of the Ridgewood Board of Education held on March 4, 2024 at 7:00 p.m., at the Education Center.

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

At 7:01 p.m. Ms. Brogan called the meeting to order with a roll call.

Present:

Ms. Sheila Brogan, President
Mr. Muhammad Mahmoud, Vice President
Mr. Saurabh Dani
Ms. Mary Micale
Ms. HyunJu Kwak

Also Present:

Dr. Mark Schwarz, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Richard Freedman, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction
Ms. Julie Kot, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Absent:

Ms. Jaime Murphy, Director of Human Resources

Visitors: Approximately 30 community members were present in-person and/or virtually.

II. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ms. Brogan led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. OPENING STATEMENT BY PRESIDING OFFICER

Ms. Brogan announced that pursuant to the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA), advance notice of this meeting had been given to The Star Ledger, The Record, and the Clerk of the Village of Ridgewood. In addition, notices were posted in the office of the Board Secretary and in all school buildings.

IV. PRESENTATIONS

A. Student Representative Report

- Nicholas Jackett, Minka Kaschenbach, Blake Morrison, Catherine Park Willard Elementary School
- Students of the Willard Elementary School's Leadership Committee presented events happening at Willard School and highlighted clubs, assemblies, and service activities.

(View this portion of the [Ridgewood BOE Meeting 3/4/2024](#) starting at 00:05:09.)

B Retirement Recognition

➤ Dana S. Higgins, Ridge Elementary School

- Mr. Michael Piacenza, Ridge Elementary School Principal spoke about Ms. Higgins' career, recognizing her thirty-two years of distinguished service to the district.

(View this portion of the [Ridgewood BOE Meeting 3/4/2024](#) starting at 00:13:43.)

C. Student Representative Report

➤ Sarah Bronstein, Ridgewood High School

- Ms. Bronstein provided an overview of activities taking place at Ridgewood High School including updates on athletics, performing arts, and club events.

(View this portion of the [Ridgewood BOE Meeting 3/4/2024](#) starting at 00:20:25.)

V. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- Laurie Weber, noted that a path forward has been established for a lawfully required annual Board of Education election. She stated that the new format for posting the agendas and minutes on the website does not show the meetings prior to January 2024 and would appreciate it if these are returned to the website. She thanked the district for keeping minutes/agendas on the website going back to 2006/2007 for the public's reference.
- Ann Loving, brought attention to a situation at Steven's Field where it connects with North Irving Street. The homes that are located in the area have complained about lacrosse balls from the field across the street coming onto their property. The homeowners have requested fencing/netting to be put up around the field to end this problem.
- Peter Maltin, thanked Mrs. Higgins for her years of service to the community. He brought up a prior conversation about expanding the Board membership to seven or nine seats.

Dr. Schwarz responded to the comments:

- We are reconciling making information available on the website while being ADA compliant.
 - Ms. Corliss explained that nothing was removed from the website and reviewed where to find the link for previous meeting minutes/agendas.
 - Mr. Dani commented that when the District now sends the agenda email on Friday to the public it links to a live document that is sometimes edited and the original version is lost. He would like for all of the versions to be available to the public.
 - Ms. Kwak would like the pdf/link of the agenda sent instead of the link to the full page of agendas/minutes.
- Stevens Fields is officially closed for public/school use. Dr. Schwarz will look into the request for the netting to be added.

(View the full public comments of the [Ridgewood BOE Meeting 3/4/2024](#) starting at 00:26:10.)

VI. PRESENTATIONS**A. Athletic Fields Thought Exchange**

- Dr. Mark Schwarz, Superintendent of Schools
- Dr. Schwarz presented an overview of the results of the district-wide Thought Exchange Survey about the Athletic Fields.

(View this portion of the [▶ Ridgewood BOE Meeting 3/4/2024](#) starting at 00:46:02.)

VII. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

- Congratulations to the winter sport athletes on their successes.
- Standardized testing will take place in the spring, he encourages everyone to be well rested and take these tests seriously.
- The weather has not been cooperating with the field clean up this week, however contingency plans have been put in place.
- Development of the annual budget has been taking place for the last several months. The District is working within a 2% tax levy increase this year, but the budget will become tighter in order to maintain that. In the short term, we will have minimal negative impacts next year. However, we will be mindful of next year's budget process and will have to discuss medium and long-term cost saving strategies.
- The preliminary budget presentation will take place on March 18 and the final budget presentation will take place on April 29.

(View this portion of the [▶ Ridgewood BOE Meeting 3/4/2024](#) starting at 00:39:59.)

VIII. CONSENT ITEMS: REGULAR AND ROUTINE ISSUES**A. ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES** (exclusive of items with strikethrough)

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves Attendance at Conferences, as listed on [Attachment A](#).

MOTION by: Ms. Brogan **SECOND** by: Ms. Kwak

ROLL CALL

AYES: Mr. Dani, Ms. Kwak, Ms. Micale, Mr. Mahmoud, Ms. Brogan

NAYS: none

B. ADMINISTRATION**i. Approval: Receipt of Suspensions and Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying (HIB) Reports**

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools approves the recommendation of the findings of the suspensions and confidential HIB reports received since the last Board meeting.

ii. Approval: Second Reading and Adoption of New/Revised/Abolished Policies and Regulations

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of

Schools approves the second reading and adoption of new/revised/abolished policies as listed below:

New:

- [Regulation 4212 Attendance](#)

Revised:

- [Policy 2270 Religion in the Schools](#)
- [Policy 3161 and Policy 4161 Examination for Cause](#)
- [Policy and Regulation 3212 and Policy 4212 Attendance](#)
- [Policy 3324 and Policy 4324 Right of Privacy](#)
- [Policy and Regulation 5116 Education of Homeless Children and Youth](#)

Abolished:

- [Policy and Regulation 3432 and 4432 Sick Leave](#)
- [Policy 5460.02 Bridge Year Pilot Program](#)

iii. Approval: First Reading of Revised/Abolished Policies and Regulations

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the first reading of new/revised/abolished policies as listed below:

Revised:

- [Policy 8500 Food Services](#)

Abolished:

- [Policy 8540 School Nutrition Program](#)
- [Policy 8550 Outstanding Food Service Charges](#)

iv. Approval: Cambodia Project Liaison

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves Mary Lou Handy as the Liaison to the Ridgewood Cambodia Project for the 2023-2024 School Year. (*unpaid*)

→ **The Board broke the above resolutions into two separation motions**

⇒ MOTION to approve resolution items B.i. and B.iv.

MOTION by: Ms. Micale **SECOND** by: Mr. Dani

ROLL CALL

AYES: Mr. Dani, Ms. Kwak, Ms. Micale, Mr. Mahmoud, Ms. Brogan

NAYS: none

⇒ MOTION to approve resolution items B.ii. and B.iii.

MOTION by: Mr. Dani **SECOND** by: Ms. Kwak

ROLL CALL

AYES: Mr. Dani, Ms. Kwak, Ms. Micale (*yes to all except recused from R4212, P3161, P4161, P3212, R3212, and P4212*), Mr. Mahmoud, Ms. Brogan

NAYS: none

C. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

i. Approval: Field Trips (exclusive of item with strikethrough)

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves field trips as listed on [Attachment B.](#)

ii. **Approval: Community School Programs for the Spring and Summer 2023-2024 School Year**

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the Spring and Summer Community School Programs for the 2023-2024 school year as listed on [Attachment C](#).

MOTION by: Mr. Mahmoud **SECOND** by: Ms. Kwak

ROLL CALL

AYES: Mr. Dani, Ms. Kwak, Ms. Micale, Mr. Mahmoud, Ms. Brogan

NAYS: none

D. HUMAN RESOURCES

i. **Abolish Positions Effective March 4, 2024**

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approved the abolishments listed below:

- Assistant Payroll Accountant
- Purchasing Coordinator
- Transportation Coordinator

ii. **Appointments**

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the appointments listed below, subject to receipt of appropriate documentation and the New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) certificate, if required.

2023-2024 School Year - Appointments

Name	Assignment	Location	Effective Date	NJDOE Certificate	Salary	Account #
Teachers						
Kim, Rebecca	Third Grade	Hawes	03/11/24-06/30/24	Standard Elementary School Teacher in Grades K-6	\$71,267 Cl. BA+30, St. 4	11-120-100-101-04-02-019-000
Spector, Tiffany	LOA Special Education Inclusion (non-tenure track)	Ridge	10/18/23-05/31/24 revision	Provisional Elementary School Teacher in Grades K-6 Teacher of Students with Disabilities	\$64,817 Cl. BA, St. 1	11-213-100-101-00-04-019-000

Paraprofessionals for the 2023-2024 School Year

Name	Assignment	Location	Hours per day	Days per week	Salary	Effective Date	Account #
Rojas, Ivan	Resource	Somerville	5.75	5	\$21,215	03/05/24-06/30/24	11-213-100-106-00-05-024-001
Saki, Somayeh	Applied Behavior Analyst (ABA) Non-certified	Ridge	5.75	5	\$24,455	02/22/24-06/30/24 revision	11-212-100-106-00-04-024-001

Lunchroom Aide for the 2023-2024 School Year

Name	Assignment	Location	Hours per day	Days per week	Salary	Effective Date	Account #
Pierro, Melissa	Lunchroom	Somerville	2 revision	5 revision	\$17.50	03/05/24-06/30/24	11-000-262-107-00-05-005-001

Infant/Toddler Development Center

Name	Assignment	Location	Hours per day	Days per week	Hourly Rate	Effective Date	Account #
Carbone, Julianna	Aide (High School)	IDTC	3	5	\$15.13	03/05/24-06/30/24	62-990-100-106-00-62-060-001

Substitutes for the 2023-2024 School Year

Teachers

Anagnostis, Margo*	Fortunato, Claudia	Mulligan, Ashleigh
Blum, Jill	LaBarr, Maureen	Wehmeyer, Nicole
Coughlin, Caitlin*	Mulcahy, London	

\$160 Per Diem

Secretaries

Swanson, Alina

\$18.50 Per Hour

*Related to staff member

iii. Change of Assignments for the 2023-2024 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the change of assignments for the 2023-2024 school year, as listed below.

Name	From FTE Assignment Location	From Salary/ Hourly Rate	To FTE Assignment Location	To Salary/ Hourly Rate	Effective Date	Account #
Teachers						
Aday, Douglas	1.0 FTE Special Education RHS	\$108,373 (\$102,927 + \$300 CP + \$5,146 ratio) Cl. MA+45, St.15	1.40 FTE Special Education RHS	\$149,544 (\$144,098 + \$300 CP + \$5,146 ratio) Cl. MA+45, St.15 (non pensionable)	01/16/24-03/15/24 revision	11-213-100-101-00-10-019-000

Contreras, Colleen	1.0 FTE Special Education English RHS	\$97,667 Cl. BA, St. 17	1.20 FTE Special Education English RHS	\$117,200 Cl. BA, St. 17 (non pensionable)	01/17/24- 04/09/24 revision	11-213-100-101-00-10-019-000
DeTora, Cynthia	1.0 FTE English RHS	\$89,017 Cl. MA, St. 13	1.20 FTE English RHS	\$106,820 Cl. MA, St. 13 (non pensionable)	01/17/24- 04/09/24 revision	11-213-100-101-00-10-019-000
Doyle, Christine	Pre-K Inclusion Paraprofessional Glen	\$21,852	LOA Spec Ed Glen (non-tenure)	\$64,817 Cl. BA, St. 1	04/22/24- 06/30/24	11-000-217-106-00-01-024-001
Greco, Jeremy	1.0 FTE Family & Consumer Science RHS	\$91,127 Cl. MA+45, St. 9	1.20 FTE Family & Consumer Science RHS	\$109,352 Cl. MA+45, St. 9 (non pensionable)	01/16/24- 03/15/24 revision	11-140-100-101-12-10-019-000
Maksimov, Melissa	1.0 FTE English RHS	\$114,187 (\$113,887 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA+30, St. 18	1.20 FTE English RHS	\$136,964 (\$136,664 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA+30, St. 18 (non pensionable)	01/17/24- 04/09/24 revision	11-140-100-101-03-10-019-000
Mendez, Karen	1.30 FTE Business Education RHS	\$138,290 (\$138,290 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA+45, St. 16	1.50 FTE Business Education RHS	\$159,866 (\$159,566 + \$300 CP) Cl. MA+45, St. 16 (pensionable)	02/12/24- 06/30/24	11-140-100-101-13-10-019-000
Nyhuis, Jeffrey	Principal RHS	\$194,577	Principal RHS	Board approved salary, plus \$2,500 stipend/month	01/02/24- 02/01/24	11-000-240-103-00-10-019-000
Pinches, Katharine	1.0 FTE English RHS	\$107,557 Cl. MA, St. 18	1.20 FTE English RHS	\$129,068 Cl. MA, St.18 (non pensionable)	01/17/24- 04/09/24 revision	11-140-100-101-03-10-019-000
Richards, Caroline	1.0 FTE English RHS	\$107,557 Cl. MA, St. 18	1.20 FTE English RHS	\$129,068 Cl. MA, St.18 (non pensionable)	01/17/24- 04/09/24 revision	11-140-100-101-03-10-019-000
Sargenti, Lisa	Third Grade Hawes	No Change in Salary	Family & Consumer Science RHS	No Change in Salary	03/18/24- 06/30/24	11-140-100-101-12-10-019-000
Wood, Danielle	Assistant Principal RHS	\$164,287	Assistant Principal RHS	Board approved salary, plus \$2,500 stipend/month	01/02/24- 02/01/24	11-000-240-103-00-10-019-000
Yohana, Julie	Assistant to the	\$80,211	Assistant to the	Board	01/02/24-	11-000-251-105-00-40-019-000

	Business Administrator and Assistant to Manager of Information Technology Ed Center		Business Administrator Assistant to Manager of Information Technology, and Transportation Management Ed Center	approved salary, plus \$500 a week	TBD	
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iv. Resignations for the Purpose of Retirement

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the resignations for the purpose of retirement, listed below.

Name	Assignment	Location	Years of Service	Effective Date
Teachers				
Lupia, Scott	Fourth Grade	Somerville	25	07/01/24
Pisani, Laurie	Second Grade	Willard	25	07/01/24

v. Resignations

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the resignations, as listed below.

Name	Assignment	Location	Effective Date
Teachers			
Barbour, Betsy	LOA English	GWMS	02/19/24
Brady, Katherine	Speech Language Specialist	Glen/Orchard	02/27/24
Silverstein, Staci	Second Grade	Hawes	07/01/24
Paraprofessional			
Radoncic, Azra	ABA	Glen	02/26/24
Infant/Toddler Development Center			
Convertino, Gianna	Teacher Aide	Glen	02/03/24

vi. Leave of Absence

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the leave of absence, as listed below.

Name	Assignment	Location	Type of Leave	New/ Revision	Paid	Unpaid w/ Benefits	Unpaid w/out Benefits	Return to Work
Arensmeier, Meredith	Mathematics	BF	Medical/ Family	Revision	01/02/24-03/06/24	03/07/24-06/30/24	08/28/24-01/01/25	01/02/25
Kaplysh, Ingrid	WL Spanish	GW	Medical/ Family	New	05/20/24-06/30/24	08/28/24-11/29/24	12/02/24-12/31/24	01/02/25

Lauritano, Scott	Paraprofessional	Glen	Family	Revision	11/06/23-03/08/24	N/A	N/A	03/11/24
Mauceri, Vanessa	Grade 6-8 English	GW	Family	Revision	01/02/24-02/23/24	N/A	N/A	02/26/24
Orfini, Caitlin	Social Studies	RHS	Medical/Family	Revision	01/02/24-02/27/24	02/28/24-05/31/24	06/01/24-08/27/25	08/28/25
Pisani, Laurie	Grade 2	Willard	Personal	New	02/21/24-03/15/24	N/A	N/A	03/18/24
Williams, Jennifer	Special Education	Ridge	Medical/Family	Revision	10/23/23-11/30/23	12/01/23-02/29/24	03/01/24-05/31/24	06/03/24
Zahn, Ashley	11 Month Secretary	Somerville	Medical/Family	New	06/03/24-07/16/24	07/17/24-11/27/24	N/A	12/02/24

vii. Supplemental Pay Beyond Contract

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the supplemental pay beyond contract, as listed below.

ACCESS Testing/Administration

Name	# of Hours	Hourly Rate	Total	Account #
Cheplick, Matthew	10	\$68.84	\$688.40	11-000-218-104-00-10-010-001

AP Proctors

Name	Not to Excess Total	Account #
Antonellis, Donna	\$1,500	11-000-218-104-00-10-010-001
Crocamo, Kenneth	\$1,500	11-000-218-104-00-10-010-001
Semendinger, Paul	\$1,500	11-000-218-104-00-10-010-001
Walsh, Evan	\$1,500	11-000-218-104-00-10-010-001

Behavioral Training - Paraprofessionals

Name	# of Hours per person	Hourly Rate per person	Total per person	Account #
Feder, Karen Luongo, Elizabeth Seguin, Danielle	5	\$19.83	\$99.15	11-000-217-106-00-24-024-001

Chaperones for the 2023-2024 School Year

Name	Trip/Activity	Dates	# of Nights per person	# of hours/Days per person	Hourly Dail Rate per person	Total not to exceed per person	Account #
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Benjamin Franklin Middle School							
Curcio, Jason Luckenbill, John Kawash, Justine Maskin, Brook Zlotkin, Amanda	Music Festival at Great Adventure	06/07/24	N/A	6	\$40.17	\$241.02	11-401-100-101-00-08-008-001
Ziobro, Christine	Music Festival at Great Adventure	06/07/24	N/A	6	\$200.00	\$200.00	11-401-100-101-00-08-008-001
Carr, Lauren Wisniewski, Stacey	Music Festival at Great Adventure	06/07/24	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	11-401-100-101-00-08-008-001
Ridgewood High School							
Cook, Keith Mitchell, Christopher	Japan	03/23/24-03/30/24	7	8	\$200	\$1,400	11-401-100-101-00-10-010-001
Cordasco, Candace	Flag Football	02/02/24-02/05/24	3	4	\$200	\$600	11-401-100-101-00-10-010-001
Kunzle, Sandra Luo, Miles Ojea, Christal Watson, Andrea	Galapagos Islands	04/11/25-04/18/25	7	8	\$200	\$1,400	11-401-100-101-00-10-010-001
Smith, Richard additional	Choir/Band Nashville, TN	02/16/24-02/19/24	3	4	\$200	\$600	11-401-100-101-00-10-010-001

Revision: Benjamin Franklin Middle School and Advisor/Co-curricularAdvisor Stipends for the 2023-2024 School Year

Intramural Activities for the 2023-2024

Girls Volleyball, Boys Volleyball, Cross Country, Track, Weight Lifting, Open Gym, not to exceed a total of 300 hours, each to receive an hourly rate of \$40.17 (\$12,000)

Advisors:

Amy Briggs, Justine Capolongo, Trecia Donnelly, Todd Ferreri, Robert Franklin, Danielle Klion, Jaime Marzocchi, Meagan Papapietro, Jason Ordini, Benjamin Ran, Kerriann Reilly, Neil Valere, Meredith Wearley, Kyle Schulke, Donna Skettini, and Kelly Skettini

Revision: RHS Co-curricular Advisor Stipends for the 2023-2024 School Year**The Book Club**

Remove: Aromando, Karen, total Stipend \$769

HOSA Club

Gayed, Crstina, **from** category 1 **to** category 2, **from** total Stipend \$769 **to** total Stipend \$1,346.

Winter Color Guard

Remove: Lucken, John, total stipend \$2,653

Replace: Hamilton, Elizabeth, total stipend \$2,653

Account #11-402-100-104-00-10-034-001

Language Screening

Name	# of Hours	Hourly Rate	Total	Account #
Roberts, Deirdre	2	\$78.34	\$156.68	11-000-218-104-00-10-010-001

NJSLA and NJGPA Administrative Duties

Name	# of Hours	Hourly Rate	Total	Account #
Altomare, Jacquelyn	10	\$32.79	\$327.90	11-000-218-104-00-10-010-001

RBT Training for RISE Program Staff

Name	# of Hours	Hourly Rate	Total	Account #
Lora, Cindy	135	\$76.85	\$10,374.75	11-000-219-104-00-24-024-001

MOTION by: Mr. Mahmoud **SECOND** by: Ms. Micale

ROLL CALL

AYES: Mr. Dani, Ms. Kwak, Ms. Micale, Mr. Mahmoud, Ms. Brogan

NAYS: none

- Ms. Brogan recognized and thanked the retirees for their years of service to the district.

E. FINANCE**i. Acceptance of Restricted Donations:**

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accepts the following restricted gifts for the 2023-2024 school year, to be used as indicated.

Donations			
Donor	Amount	Use	Account Number
Ridgewood High School Korean Parents Association	\$2,000	To be used for HS guidance counselor visits to learn about colleges/universities.	20-043-100-890-00-10-010-002
Sarah Lindsay	\$50	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Stephen Haggerty	\$100	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Fidelity Charitable (match)	\$100	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
G Tyler Neville	\$500	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Joseph Stroker and Alissa DiGiacomo	\$50	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Nancy Stroker	\$400	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Schwab Charitable (match)	\$400	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Blake Graham	\$100	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
William and Carol Rush	\$200	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Joseph and Barbara Ferrante	\$100	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
Edward and Susan McConnell	\$100	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000

Jeanne M. Finn	\$100	To be used towards a scholarship award to honor Jack B. Stroker.	83-1920-000-00-863-000
RHS Student Activity Account	\$577.95 (gift in kind)	A gift in kind of kitchen supplies.	N/A
RHS Student Activity Account	\$4,896.89 (gift in kind)	A gift in kind of a camera, 2 lenses, bag, and memory cards for the sports/theater coverage	N/A
RHS Student Activity Account	\$64.49 (gift in kind)	A gift in kind of a Raclette table grill to be used for club events.	N/A
Ridgewood Education Foundation	\$3,000	To be used to pay for supplies, rentals, and presenters for Super Science Saturday.	20-001-100-890-00-22-022-002

ii. Approval: Budgeted Regular School Year Out-Of-District Placement for the 2023-2024 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the budgeted regular school year out-of district placement as listed below:

School	# of students
RIBS, LLC (aka REED Academy)	1

iii. Approval: Submission of Grant Applications

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the submission of the following competitive grant applications:

Grant	Potential Award
Expanding Access to Computer Science High School Courses	\$40,000
Climate Change Education and Resilience	\$31,875

iv. Approval: Additional Contracted Therapists to Provide Special Education Services for the 2023-2024 School Year

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the additional contracted therapists to provide special education services for the 2023-2024 school year as listed below:

Contractor	Service	Rate
Dr. Hugh Bases	Neurodevelopmental Evaluations	\$1,500 per evaluation
Dr. L. Hanes & Associates	Social Worker - Leave Replacement (May 1, 2024 through June 21, 2024)	\$95 per hour (35 hours per week)
BrightStar Care	District Nursing Services	LPN - \$80; RN - \$100, HHA - \$40 per hour

v. Approval: Copier/Printer/Scanner Lease and Service Agreement

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the copier/printer/scanner Lease and Service Agreement with Atlantic Tomorrow’s Technology at a rate of \$12,679 per month, start date subject to the delivery of equipment.

MOTION by: Ms. Kwak **SECOND** by: Mr. Mahmoud

ROLL CALL

AYES: Mr. Dani, Ms. Kwak, Ms. Micale, Mr. Mahmoud, Ms. Brogan

NAYS: none

- Ms. Brogan read the donations into the record and thanked the responsible parties.

IX. RESOLUTIONS AND MOTIONS NOT INCLUDED IN CONSENT AGENDA

Dr. Schwarz

A. ~~Approval: SDA Grant Execution and Deliver of Grant Agreement/Ridgewood High School HVAC Systems Upgrades – NJ SDA Project No. 4390-050-23-G5QZ~~

~~RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes the execution and delivery of the SDA grant agreement for the Ridgewood High School HVAC system upgrades project.~~

B. ~~Approval: SDA Delegation of Authority to School Business Administrator for Ridgewood High School HVAC System Upgrades – NJ SDA Project No. 4390-050-23-G5QZ~~

~~RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the delegation of authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facilities Project under SDA Rod Grants.~~

C. ~~Approval: Use of Capital Reserve for Local Share of SDA Projects/Ridgewood High School HVAC System Upgrades – NJ SDA Project No. 4390-050-23-G5QZ~~

~~RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the use of capital reserve funds to fund local share of SDA ROD Grants facilities project in the amount of \$94,801.20~~

D. ~~Approval: SDA Grant Execution and Delivery of Grant Agreement/Ridgewood Glen School HVAC Systems Upgrades – NJSDA Project No. 4390-080-23-G5RA~~

~~RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes execution and delivery of the SDA grant agreement for the Glen School HVAC system upgrades project.~~

E. ~~Approval: SDA Delegation of Authority to School Business Administrator for Glen School HVAC System Upgrades – NJSDA Project No. 4390-080-23-G5RA~~

~~RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the delegation of authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facilities Project under SDA Rod Grants.~~

F. ~~Approval: Use of Capital Reserve for Local Share of SDA Projects/Glen School HVAC System Upgrades – NJSDA Project No. 4390-080-23-G5RA~~

~~RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the use of capital reserve funds to fund local share of SDA ROD Grants facilities project in the amount of \$1,877,387.60~~

G. ~~Approval: SDA Grant Execution and Delivery of Grant Agreement/Ridgewood Ridge Elementary School HVAC Systems Upgrades – NJSDA Project No. 4390-090-23-G5RB~~

~~RESOLVED, the Board of Education authorizes execution and delivery of the SDA grant agreement for the Ridge Elementary School HVAC system upgrades project.~~

H. ~~Approval: SDA Delegation of Authority to School Business Administrator for Ridge Elementary School HVAC System Upgrades – NJSDA Project No. 4390-090-23-G5RB~~

~~RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the delegation of authority to the School Business Administrator for supervision of the School Facilities Project under SDA Rod Grants.~~

I. ~~Approval: Use of Capital Reserve for Local Share of SDA Projects/Ridge Elementary School HVAC System Upgrades – NJSDA Project No. 4390-090-23-G5RB~~

~~RESOLVED, the Board of Education approves the use of capital reserve funds to fund local share of SDA ROD Grants facilities project in the amount of \$2,588,252.40~~

J. Approval: Authorization to Transfer Funds to Capital Reserve

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, approves the transfer of unused capital project funds to capital reserve.

Capital Project/Capital Reserve	Account	Amount
High School STEM Lab Vents	12-000-400-334	(\$9,500.00)
	12-000-400-450	(\$195,369.00)
Capital Reserve	10-116	\$204,869.00

⇒ **As Amended, Motion to Approve Resolutions and Motions Not Included in Consent Agenda, Item J**

MOTION by: Mr. Brogan **SECOND** by: Ms. Kwak

ROLL CALL

AYES: Mr. Dani, Ms. Kwak, Ms. Micale, Mr. Mahmoud, Ms. Brogan

NAYS: none

X. APPROVAL OF BILLS

The Ridgewood Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approves the payment of bills as listed below and reviewed by Ms. Micale

DATES	DESCRIPTION	CHECK NUMBER	AMOUNTS
Feb 7	Columbia Bank On-Line	112861-112866	8,760.00
March 4	Columbia Bank On-Line	112868-113100	2,268,491.25
March 4	Food Service	620455	359,608.33
March 4	Columbia Bank On-Line (Unemployment)	821132	32.08
TOTAL			2,636,891.66

MOTION by: Ms. Micale **SECOND** by: Ms. Brogan

ROLL CALL

AYES: Mr. Dani, Ms. Kwak, Ms. Micale, Mr. Mahmoud, Ms. Brogan

NAYS: none

XI. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Ms. Brogan announced:
 - The court has honored the Board's request to set the term limit length of one board member's seat up for election in November 2024 to a one year term. Three board member seats will be up for election; two seats will be for a three-year term and one seat will be for a one-year term.
 - The sports equipment swap will take place this weekend.
 - Congratulations to the 18 Ridgewood High School students who received the Maroon Awards.
 - The Ridgewood Health Dept and Board of Education will bring the movies, *Like* and *Angst* to the community.
 - The Ridgewood Shade Tree Committee is continuing with the Adopt-a-Sapling program at Somerville Elementary School this year.
- Mr. Dani announced:
 - Congratulations to everyone who was involved in AsianFest.

(Visit [Ridgewood BOE Meeting 3/4/2024](#) to view the Board Member announcements starting at 01:55:01)

XII. BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

➤ Facilities

- Ms. Brogan provided a Facilities Committee report:
 - The committee met on February 21, 2024 and reviewed the ROD Grants with the new architect and engineering firm.

- The next meeting will include a discussion about summer/next year's projects and the fields.
- Finance
 - Mr. Mahmoud provided a Finance Committee report:
 - The committee met with Ms. Kot to review the budget.
 - The next meeting will include discussion about the Budget presentation.
- SEPAG
 - Ms. Micale provided a SEPAG liaison report:
 - The sensory friendly pep rally prior to the Wizards game was successful with over 100 attendees. The STEPPS students raised \$63 from concessions.
 - A successful sensory-friendly dinner at Puzzo's took place on February 27 followed by a coffee chat.
 - A family play date is scheduled for Saturday, March 10 at Unique Athletics in Fair Lawn.
- Policy
 - Bylaw 0152 Board Officers
 - Bylaw 0174 Legal Services
 - Ms. Kwak provided a Policy Committee report:
 - The committee discussed the following changes to Bylaw 0174 Legal Services:
 - Suggested the following language be added to the policy: *"The Board President will request the Board Counsel to provide, at a minimum, semi-annual overview of all legal cases as a memo to the full board membership."*
 - Identifying a path where all board members have access to legal counsel instead of just the currently identified members within the district which includes the Superintendent, Board President, Business Administrator, Human Resources and Special Education.
 - Suggested the following language be added to the policy: *"Any current seated board member can request written advisory from Board Counsel with an email request to the Board President and/or Superintendent. Verbal requests will not be honored. All requests and Counsel guidance will be shared with the full Board in weekly memos to prevent duplicate or overlapping requests. If verbal guidance by board counsel is warranted for expediency, both the request and summary of legal guidance will be shared with the full Board in a memo."*
 - The Committee will update the policy and distribute it to Dr. Schwarz for review with the Board Attorney and Strauss Esmay.
 - The committee discussed the following changes to Bylaw 0152 Board Officers, but there was no agreement on the changes during the committee meeting:
 - Adding the following language for the promotion of the rotation of the Board leadership roles in addition to the annual reorganization election was discussed:
 - Version 1: "the nomination for president will be based on seniority as defined by years of service on the board. If more than one member qualifies for the President role, the President will be determined

based on the number of votes in their election cycle. No Board member can serve as President in consecutive years and a Board member may not be considered for the President role until the rotation is complete for all Board members. The Vice President nomination from the seated membership will be based on the same criteria as the President role. Any Board member who does not wish to serve as President or Vice President during their term can yield to the subsequent year and no board member can serve as President, Vice President in consecutive years.”

- Version 2: “no board member can serve as President or Vice President in consecutive years barring extraordinary circumstances.”
- The Board will think about the suggestions and discuss again at the next Board Meeting.

(Visit [Ridgewood BOE Meeting 3/4/2024](#) to view the Board Committee Reports and full discussion regarding proposed changes to Bylaw 0174 and Bylaw starting at 02:04:29).

XIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Mr. Dani asked the Policy Committee to investigate re-naming Executive Sessions to Closed Sessions.
- Ms. Brogan reviewed how to complete the Board self-evaluations through the NJ School Boards Association website and asked that the Board members complete it before April 3, 2024.

(View this portion of the [Ridgewood BOE Meeting 3/4/2024](#) meeting starting at 02:58:36.)

XIV. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

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| ➤ January 22, 2024 | Executive Session Meeting |
| ➤ February 6, 2024 | Special Public Meeting |
| ➤ February 6, 2024 | Executive Session Meeting |
| ➤ February 12, 2024 | Regular Public Meeting |
| ➤ February 27, 2024 | Special Public Meeting |
| ➤ February 27, 2024 | Executive Session Meeting |

MOTION by: Ms. Brogan

SECOND by: Mr. Mahmoud

ROLL CALL

AYES: Mr. Dani, Ms. Kwak - *yes to all except abstain from February 12th*, Ms. Micale - *yes to February 12 but abstain from all others*, Mr. Mahmoud - *yes to all except abstain from February 12th*, Ms. Brogan

NAYS: none

XV. OTHER BUSINESS

N/A

XVI. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

- Laurie Weber, commented about the Field Thought Exchange and stated that she does not believe the public should be polled on the question about the installation of grass versus artificial turf fields as a basis for the Board to make a decision. Instead, she thinks the Board should get input from medical/environmental experts when deciding on the merits or detriments of one versus the other.
- Laura McKenna, agrees that the fields are a priority and there is a mandate from the community to fix the problem. She discussed higher education entrance option changes and the re-introduction of SAT and ACT tests. She thanked Ms. Brogan for the Super Science events.
- Anand, commented on the Field Thought Exchange and believes there are too many people putting in too many comments and their thoughts are getting lost. He was surprised when Mr. Dani commented that the survey conducted is biased. The star system does not work and there should be a better way to extract the data. Finding a permanent solution to the fields is a must because the District is wasting money.
- Mr. Dani clarified his comment and rephrased that there is a possibility of bias in the survey when it is created and the possibility is removed when we do not give specific questions, rather, a clean slate for residents to respond. He also agrees that there were too many questions and responses which were difficult to filter.

(Visit [Ridgewood BOE Meeting 3/4/2024](#) to view the comments from the public starting at 03:05:35.)

XVII. MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION

N/A

XVIII. RECONVENED PUBLIC MEETING

N/A

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by: Ms. Brogan **SECOND** by: Mr. Mahmoud

VOICE VOTE:

Ms. Brogan, Mr. Mahmoud, Mr. Dani, Ms, Kwak, Ms. Micale - **ALL AYES**

- **The Meeting was adjourned at 10:17 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,



Julie Kot
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Professional Development

BOE Date: 3/4/2024

Staff member	Name of Conference Location & Dates	Rationale	Estimated Cost for Approval	# of Sub Days required
Karen Mendez	Northern Region DECA Advisor Meeting NJ DECA & Northern Region Association Wayne, NJ 2/15/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Suh Young Nam	Intervention and Referral Services (I&RS) Team Training SRI & ETTC Professional Development Virtual 3/6/24	Professional Development	\$178.00	0
Danielle Klion	The Roles of Schools in Addressing Mental Health New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association (NJPSA)/ Foundation for Educational Administration (FEA) Virtual 3/6/24	Professional Development	\$150.00	0
Craig Mahler	Connecting the Dots: The Role of Schools in Addressing Student Mental Health New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association (NJPSA)/ Foundation for Educational Administration (FEA)/ Legal One Virtual 3/6/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Mary Ferreri	NJ Tiered System of Supports for Early Reading New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) Virtual 3/6/24, 4/24/24 and 9/18/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Lauren Carr	Hot Issues In School Law TMI- Legal One Virtual 3/7/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Meltem Spicer	2024 FLENJ Annual Conference Foreign Language Educators of New Jersey (FLENJ) Newark, NJ 3/13/24	Professional Development	\$186.00	1
Melissa Gill	2024 FLENJ Annual Conference Foreign Language Educators of New Jersey (FLENJ) Newark, NJ 3/13/24	Professional Development	\$140.00	1

Emely Paulino	2024 FLENJ Annual Conference Foreign Language Educators of New Jersey (FLENJ) Newark, NJ 3/13/24	Professional Development	\$140.00	0
Amy Bernard Mason	2024 FLENJ Annual Conference Foreign Language Educators of New Jersey (FLENJ) New Brunswick, NJ 3/13/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Amanda Znutas	LO: How to Meet the Challenges of K-2 & High School Gifted & Talented. NJPSA Virtual 3/14/24	Professional Development	\$75.00	0
Lauren Klein-Hellman	RIAAO Annual Counselor Tour Rhode Island Association of Admission Officers Providence, RI 3/17/24 - 3/21/24	Professional Development	\$612.00	0
Alexandra Vergona	BLS Instructor Life Savers Inc Ridgewood, NJ 3/22/24	Professional Development	\$325.00	0
Sarah Hawkins	Empowering Voices: The Student Advocacy Conference Bergen County Special Services Paramus NJ 3/22/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Gila Elbaum	Empowering Voices: The Student Advocacy Conference Bergen County Special Services Paramus NJ 3/22/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Lauren Rosenfeld	Educational Enterprises Conference Bergen County Special Services Paramus NJ 3/22/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Mary Louise Handy	Visit to Ridgewood Village School in Cambodia Ridgewood Cambodia Project Phnom Penh, Tbaung Damrei Village and Siem Reap, Cambodia 3/22/24 - 4/1/24	Professional Development	\$2,008.00	1
Julie Yohana	Transporting Students with Disabilities Rutgers University Virtual 3/25/24, 4/1/24, 4/8/24, 4/15/24, 4/29/24, 5/6/24, 5/13/24	Professional Development	\$668.00	0

Julie Yohana	Management & Supervisory Skills Rutgers University Virtual 3/28/24; 4/4/24, 4/11/24, 4/18/24, 4/25/24; 5/2/24, 5/9/24, 5/16/24, 5/23/24	Professional Development	\$853.00	0
Jeannie O'Neill	Google Certification Program Google Virtual 4/1/24 - 8/30/24	Professional Development	\$225.00	0
Laura Calandra	Google Certification Program Google Virtual 4/1/24 - 8/30/24	Professional Development	\$225.00	0
Christina Lim	Google Certification Program Google Virtual 4/1/24 - 8/30/24	Professional Development	\$225.00	0
Patrick DeFlora	Becoming a Sexuality Educator and Trainer Elevatus Virtual 4/3/24 - 4/5/24	Professional Development	\$1,195.00	3
Denise Caamano	Becoming a Sexuality Educator and Trainer Elevatus Virtual 4/3/24 - 4/5/24	Professional Development	\$1,195.00	0
Stacy Giardino	Safety Care Trainer Recertification QBS Safety Care Whippany, NJ 4/9/24	Professional Development	\$714.00	0
Ariana Bray	Safety Care Trainer Recertification QBS Safety Care Whippany, NJ 4/9/24	Professional Development	\$703.00	0
Lindsay Rubin	The Role of the School Climate Team New Jersey Law Center New Brunswick, NJ 4/11/24	Professional Development	\$42.00	0
Kathleen Finnegan	The Role of the School Climate Team New Jersey Law Center New Brunswick, NJ 4/11/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Julie Yohana	Financial Operations - Transportation Rutgers University Virtual 4/16/24, 4/23/24, 4/30/24; 5/7/24, 5/14/24, 5/21/24	Professional Development	\$575.00	0
Michael Piacenza	Reading Acceleration Professional Integrated Development (RAPID) Plus Training William Patterson University Wayne, NJ	Professional Development	\$0.00	0

	4/17/24			
Tara Taylor	NJCOE Spring General Meeting NJ Council of Educators (NJCOE) Monroe Township, NJ 4/19/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Lorna Oates-Santos	Women's Leadership Conference: Connection, Balance and Inspiration New Jersey School Board Association (NJSBA) West Windsor, NJ 4/19/24	Professional Development	\$99.00	0
Caroline Hoffman	Women's Leadership Conference: Connection, Balance and Inspiration New Jersey School Board Association (NJSBA) West Windsor, NJ 4/19/24	Professional Development	\$99.00	0
Mary Ferreri	Women's Leadership Conference: Connection, Balance and Inspiration New Jersey School Board Association (NJSBA) West Windsor, NJ 4/19/24	Professional Development	\$99.00	0
Michelle Fenwick	NJPIEP Preschool Inclusion Leadership Conference New Jersey Department of Education and Montclair State University East Windsor, NJ 4/24/24	Professional Development	\$98.00	0
Janel Nese	NJPIEP Preschool Inclusion Leadership Conference New Jersey Department of Education and Montclair State University East Windsor, NJ 4/24/24	Professional Development	\$58.00	0
Stacy Giardino	NJABA Annual Conference New Jersey Association for Behavior Analysis (NJABA) Somerset, NJ 4/26/24	Professional Development	\$201.00	0
Erin McGuire	NJABA Annual Conference New Jersey Association for Behavior Analysis (NJABA) Somerset, NJ 4/26/24	Professional Development	\$175.00	0
Patricia Hans	Teaching to Climate Change in the Classroom: Embracing New Paradigms Bard College Institute for Writing and Thinking Annandale on the Hudson, NY 4/26/24	Professional Development	\$500.00	0

Julie Yohana	Routing and Scheduling Rutgers University Virtual 5/1/24, 5/8/24, 5/15/24, 5/22/24, 5/29/24, 6/5/24	Professional Development	\$575.00	0
Tara Taylor	NJSELA Spring Roundtable New Jersey Science Education Leadership Association (NJSELA) New Brunswick, NJ 5/17/24	Professional Development	\$0.00	0
Erin McGuire	2024 Annual ABAI Conference Applied Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) Philadelphia, PA 5/23/24 - 5/27/24	Professional Development	\$1,174.00	0
Ryan Bowman	NJASBO Annual Conference New Jersey Association of School Business Officials (NJASBO) Atlantic City, NJ 6/4/24 - 6/7/24	Professional Development	\$923.00	0
Julie Kot	NJASBO Annual Conference New Jersey Association of School Business Officials (NJASBO) Atlantic City, NJ 6/4/24 - 6/7/24	Professional Development	\$1,100.00	0
Lorna Oates-Santos	NJL2L Mentor Recertification Training New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association (NJPSA) Virtual 6/27/24	Professional Development	\$70.00	0

The total cost for these conferences is \$15,605. Upon Board approval of all of these conferences, the total expenditure for travel and conferences for 2023-24 will be \$108,811 leaving a balance of \$91,189.

The total cost of substitutes for these conferences is \$1,120. Upon board approval of these conferences, the total expenditure for substitutes for conferences for the 2023-24 school year will be \$26,240.

FIELD TRIPS FOR APPROVAL

March 4, 2024

ONE DAY TRIPS

Date	School	Location	Approx # and Group of Students	# of Chaperones	# Substitutes and dates for each	Anticipated Cost of Subs @ \$160 per day for teachers and \$200 per day for nurse	Anticipated Cost to District	Annual Event	Meets Requirements
2/22/24	RHS	Flag Football Media Day, MetLife Stadium, East Rutherford, NJ	2 Girls Flag Football Players	0	0	\$0	\$201 (Driver)	No	Yes
3/8/24	RHS	David Good 3D Printed Bridge Competition NJIT, Newark, NJ	5 Civil Engineering, Urban Planning and Design Club Members	1	0	\$0	\$160.68 (Driver)	No	Yes
3/13/24	RHS	Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center at Bergen Academies, Hackensack, NJ	4 Percussion Ensemble Members	1	0	\$0	\$242 (Driver)	Yes	Yes
3/15/24	RHS	2024 NJSDL State Championships, Hunterdon Central Regional HS, Flemington, NJ	15 Speech & Debate Members	1	0	\$0	\$300 (Bus and Driver)	Yes	Yes
3/16/24	RHS	2024 NJSDL State Championships, Hunterdon Central Regional HS, Flemington, NJ	15 Speech & Debate Members	1	0	\$0	\$350 (Bus and Driver)	Yes	Yes
3/21/24	RHS	Community Based Instruction, Ridgewood Hot Bagles, Ridgewood, NJ	3 PREP Students	5	0	\$0	\$0	No	Yes
3/23/24	RHS	2024 NJ HOSA State Leadership Conference, Westampton, NJ	11 RHS HOSA Members	1	0	\$0	\$1,596 (Bus and Driver)	Yes	Yes
4/5/24	Hawes	Montclair Art Museum, Montclair, NJ	69 5th Grade Students	14	1 - Sub Nurse	\$200	\$200 (Sub Nurse)	No	Yes
4/5/24	RHS	Community Based Instruction, CVS, Glen Rock, NJ	4 PREP Students	5	0	\$0	\$0	No	Yes
4/7/24	RHS	3rd Manny Flick Regatta, Philadelphia, PA	40 Crew Members	2	0	\$0	\$0	Yes	Yes
4/9/24	RHS	Junior Semi-formal, The Brownstone, Paterson, NJ	250 Students	10	0	\$0	\$0	Yes	Yes
4/11/24	RHS	Bergen County Mathematics League, Tenafly HS, Tenafly, NJ	12 Mathematics Academic Team Members	2	0	\$0	\$373 (Bus and Driver)	Yes	Yes

4/19/24	RHS	Community Based Instruction, Stop & Shop, Ridgewood, NJ	5 PREP Students	6	0	\$0	\$0	No	Yes		
4/26/24	RHS	Community Based Instruction, Wendy's Restaurant, Midland Park, NJ	5 PREP Students	4	0	\$0	\$0	No	Yes		
5/13/24	RHS	Ridgewood Senior Center, Ridgewood, NJ	16 Tri-M Music Honor Society Members	1	0	\$0	\$0	No	Yes		
5/23/24	RHS	Museum of Chinese in America & Chinatown, New York, NY	30 Chinese Club Members	3	0	\$0	\$0	Yes	Yes		
5/30/24	Travell	Walking Trip to Ed Center and Village Hall, Ridgewood, NJ	55 3rd Grade Students	7	1 - Sub Nurse	\$200	\$200 (Sub Nurse)	Yes	Yes		
6/10/24	Somerville	Graydon Pool, Ridgewood, NJ	65 5th Grade Students	7	0	\$0	\$0	Yes	Yes		
6/12/24	Somerville	Walking trip to Ed Center, Village Hall and Public Library, Ridgewood, NJ	58 3rd Grade Students	12	0	\$0	\$0	Yes	Yes		

OVERNIGHT TRIPS

Date	School	Location	Approx # and Group of Students	# of Unpaid Chaperones	# Paid Chaperones And # of Overnights for each	Anticipated Cost for Teacher/Nurse Chaperones @ \$200 per Overnight	# Substitutes and dates for each	Anticipated Cost of Subs @ \$160 per day for teachers and \$200 per day for nurse	Est. Total Cost to District	Annual Event	Meets Requirements
2/28/24 - 3/2/24	RHS	NJSIAA Individual State Wrestling Tournament, Atlantic City, NJ	4	2	0	\$0.00	0	\$0	\$1,304 (Mileage, food and lodging for 2 coaches)	Yes	Yes
4/4/24 - 4/7/24 (Trip Cancelled)	RHS	Arcadia Invitational, Arcadia, CA	TBD	3	0	0	0	\$0	\$0	Yes	Yes
4/25/24 - 4/27/24	RHS	Penn Relays, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA	12 Track Members	3	0	0	0	\$0	\$1,432.50 (Mileage, food and lodging for 3 coaches)	Yes	Yes
6/2/24 - 6/3/24	RHS	Study of the Gilded Age at Lenox, MA Hartford, CT and Newport, RI	36 American Studies	0	3 (1 night each)	\$600	0	\$0	\$600 (Chaperones)	Yes	Yes
11/1/24 - 11/9/24	GWMS	Vienna, Austria	20 - 30 Orchestra Students		7 (8 nights)	\$11,200	6 - Teachers and 1 - Nurse (3 days)	\$2,880 (Teachers) and \$600 (Nurse)	\$14,680	No	Yes

**Ridgewood Community School
Programs for the Spring & Summer 2024**

Ridgewood Boys Basketball Clinic**Coaching Staff**

This program is intended to teach the fundamentals of basketball, build on skill development and help promote the culture of the Ridgewood Basketball program. Each lesson will be designed that the first half of the clinic will be skill development and the 2nd half of the clinic will have the athletes broken into teams to apply the skills to game scenarios.

Grades 3-8 (Tuesday-Thursday), \$250 for five weeks, 4/2-5/2

GWMS Gym, 3:45pm-5:00pm

Wrestling Camp**Coaching Staff**

The camp is designed to provide young wrestlers with a comprehensive review of fundamental wrestling skills. ALL BEGINNERS ARE WELCOME! Workouts will consist of technique instruction, skill related drills, competitive games & live wrestling. Grades 3-12, \$275 for 7/1-7/3 and 7/5.

(no class on 7/4)

RHS Gym 2, 9am-12pm

Softball Camp**Coaching Staff**

The camp is designed to provide softball players with a comprehensive review of fundamental softball skills. All beginners are welcome. The camp will stress softball skills, lead-up games and important team concepts for offensive and defensive play.

Grades 6-12, Monday-Thursday \$275 for 6/24-6/27 (rain date 28).

RHS Stevens Field, 8:00am-10:00am

Middle School Volleyball Clinic**Coaching Staff**

The clinic will stress fundamental skills, lead-up games and introduce important team concepts for offensive and defensive play.

Grades 6-8, \$375 for 7/15-7/18

GWMS Gyms, 8:30am-11:30am

High School Volleyball Clinic**Coaching Staff**

The clinic will stress fundamental skills, lead-up games and introduce important team concepts for offensive and defensive play.

Grades 9-12, \$350 for 7/15-7/18, GWMS Gyms, 1:00pm-3:30pm

Ridgewood Community School Programs for the Spring & Summer 2024

Ridgewood High School Tennis Camp

Coaching Staff

Tennis camp serves players of all abilities entering **grades 5-12**. Campers will have the opportunity to learn tennis in a fun, supportive, and positive setting located at Ridgewood High School. Players should come prepared with: a water bottle, a racquet and wearing sunscreen.

- **Beginners** will be taught the fundamentals of tennis. Basic strokes and rules of the game will help your child to develop confidence in playing tennis.
- **Intermediates** will begin to enhance their knowledge of the game with master groundstrokes, volleys and serves.
- **Advanced** players will work on enhancing shot patterns, strategy against various "types" of players and advanced practice of development of serves. They will engage in coached match play to enhance strategic situation.

Camp has five/one-week sessions, Monday-Thursday (6/24-7/25), rain make-ups are Friday. \$300 per week, \$225 for the week of 7/1 (no camp on 7/4)

RHS Tennis Courts, 8:00am-11:00am

Ridgewood Boys Basketball Camp

Coaching Staff

Camp will work on developing skills through drills, games, shootout contests and lectures.

Camp has two/one-week sessions, Monday-Thursday, Grades 1-9, \$300 for one week and \$550 for two weeks. 6/24-6/27 and 7/8-7/11

GWMS Gyms, 9:00am-3:00pm

Ridgewood Girls Basketball Camp

Coaching Staff

Camp provides individual and hands-on instruction focusing on fundamentals and skill development. There will be a variety of drills with a special focus on shooting, ball handling, defensive positioning, boxing out and rebounding.

Camp has two/one-week sessions, Monday-Friday, Grades 2-9, \$300 for one week and \$550 for two weeks. 6/24-6/28 and 7/22-7/26

RHS Gym, week of 6/24 and GWMS Gym, week of 7/22, 9:30am-2:30pm

Ridgewood Maroons Youth Football Camp

Coaching Staff

Come join our exceptional team of coaches for a week of football fun!

Designed to provide young football players with a comprehensive review of the skills and fundamentals of football. ***ALL BEGINNERS ARE WELCOME!***

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Practices will consist of technique instruction, skill related drills, and fun competitive games! Instruction will be provided by certified teachers, varsity coaches, sub-varsity coaches, and other standout athletes!

Grades: 1-4, \$275 for 6/24-6/27

RHS Field, 9:00am-12:00pm

Fencing

Arena Fencing Academy

Camp is designed to introduce children to the exciting sport of fencing. Often called a physical game of chess, fencing develops endurance, coordination, agility, poise and balance. In addition to the physical aspect, it also develops concentration and problem-solving skills. Camp will include warm-up games, footwork, agility and coordination development, fencing instruction, bouts and fencing games.

Grades: 3-9, \$550 for 7/15-7/19

Arena Fencing Academy (Ho-Ho-Kus), 9:00am-3:00pm

Track & Field Camp

Racefaster

Get expert instruction in many aspects of Track & Field. Activities will include sprinting, distance running, long jump, javelin, high jump, discus and much more. The program will build self-esteem & teamwork and will improve physical fitness.

Camp has six/one-week sessions, Monday-Friday, Grades K-8, \$275 for one week, 6/24-8/2. No camp on 7/4.

BFMS Track, 9:00am-3:00pm

Fashion Sewing Camp

So You Studio

Designed for students who love clothes or those who just want to learn to sew! Participants will learn how to use sewing machine and will work with commercial sewing patterns. Some of the items the students will make include: pajama bottoms, a skirt, a summer dress, a tote bag and more. All materials are provided and sewing machines will be made available for the students to use.

Grades 4-8, \$350 for 7/15-7/19

Orchard School, 9:00am-4:00pm

**Ridgewood Community School
Programs for the Spring & Summer 2024**

**Design Diva Camp
So You Studio**

The program gives students an amazing opportunity to learn various aspects of fashion design. Students will learn the basics of design principals, color theory, fabric science and fashion illustration. The students will work independently and teams. Students will make mood boards and learn the history of fashion. They create their own unique designs and draft the garment pattern from which they sew their final garment.

Grades 4-8, \$350 for 7/22-7/26

Orchard School, 9:00am-4:00pm

**Spanish Language Hola Amigos Camp
Gainville**

Hola Amigos™ Spanish camp program promotes love for the Spanish language through cultural themes that focus on target subcultures including the Caribbean, South America, Spain and U.S. Hispanic Culture. Summer camp consists of daily language lessons, vocabulary and grammar enrichment activities, regional cultural workshops, arts & cultural crafts, theatre arts, indoor & outdoor language games. Camp has six/one-week sessions, Monday-Friday, Grades K-5, \$374 for one week, 6/24-8/2. No camp on 7/4.

Willard School, 9:00am-3:00pm

**Summer Academies
Certified Teachers**

Mathematics Academy, Business Academy, Fine Arts Academy, Computer Science Academy, and many more! Enrichment and remedial classes are available to students. Program runs classes over the course of 5 weeks, Monday-Friday, Grades 6-12, course price ranges from \$350-\$1,020, 6/24-7/26. No class on 7/4., RHS, 8:30am-3:00am

**Summer Adventure
Certified Teachers**

Academic and enrichment classes are aimed at providing safe and welcoming environments that will promote not only academic growth for students, but also provide an opportunity for students to collaborate and work together with their peers in a safe learning environment. There are single class, half day and full day options available. Camp has three/two-week sessions, Monday-Friday, Grades K-5, price range \$325-\$2,100 depending on number of classes and weeks. 6/24-8/2. No camp on 7/4.

Ridge School, 8:30am-3:00pm.

**Ridgewood Community School
Programs for the Spring & Summer 2024**

ACT Camp – Math Focused

Certified Teacher

Math focused prep course for those students preparing for the ACT exam. We will review key test taking tactics and strategies, and study math concepts that are relevant to the test. Students will be provided a study guide and engage in actual test questions from previous tests. Class limited to 25 students. \$250, practice tests and study guides provided Monday-Thursday, July 8-11, 9:30am-11:30am, RHS

SAT Camp – Math Focused

Certified Teacher

Math focused prep course for those students preparing for the ACT exam. We will review key test taking tactics and strategies, and study math concepts that are relevant to the test. Students will be provided a study guide and engage in actual test questions from previous tests. Class limited to 25 students. \$250, practice tests and study guides provided Monday-Thursday, August 19-22, 9:30am-11:30am, RHS