

RIDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s) and Students,

At Ridgewood High School, we believe that students should create bonds through their teams and clubs. We host many events to create opportunities for students to come together throughout the school year and all of these events are monitored by school professionals in a safe environment.

However, students sometimes take it upon themselves to create their own opportunities, such as dart wars, scavenger hunts, or other similar activities. Ridgewood High School does not condone these unsanctioned events.

Because of the heightened awareness of shootings, we strongly urge students to not participate in "dart wars." Although students use nerf guns during these games, the strategies employed by students to target other teams may be misinterpreted in today's climate. The Ridgewood Police Department has been informed of the school's concerns.

To ensure the safety and well-being of all students, legitimate team and club events will always be approved and monitored by a coach, advisor, or administrator. Parents should counsel their children that students should not participate in unsanctioned activities where there is no apparent supervision.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation.

Respectfully,

Thomas A. Gorman, Ed.D.

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