

# SHORT

## Principal's Message

A word from Mrs. Bryant

This year has been a year of study and research as the Rogers Adventist School Board and the Walla Walla Valley Academy School Board evaluated whether or not to recommend to the Constituency a K-12 collaboration between Rogers and WWVA.

On Tuesday, February 21, both boards met and officially voted:

**The Rogers Adventist School Board recommends that Rogers Adventist School and Walla Walla Valley Academy formally merge into the K-12 system named Walla Walla Valley Adventist Schools, effective July 1, 2023.**

This recommendation will go to the Constituencies of both schools in April. Please keep this decision in your prayers as we strive to make both Rogers and WWVA stronger.

## 23-24 Registration and Tuition

On Wednesday, March 1, **registration opens** for the 23-24 school year. The Rogers Adventist School Board met and approved the proposed 23-24 budget as well as the tuition rates for the upcoming school year.

One of the questions that frequently comes up in conversations about tuition is how much it really costs to educate a student at Rogers. For a student attending RAS this current year, **the actual cost to the school is \$8,500 per K-6 student and \$10,000 per 7-8 student.** This might surprise you since tuition billed to families is about half of that amount. How do we make up the difference?

While tuition income is a significant portion of our annual budget, Rogers also receives subsidy dollars both from the Upper Columbia Conference and our five constituent churches. Big thanks to *Walla Walla University Church, College Place Village Church, Walla Walla City Church, and College Place/Walla Walla Spanish Churches* for their continued financial support. Without the sponsorships from these entities, all student tuition rates would be significantly higher.

The biggest impact on tuition rate raises is teacher salaries. This year, due to moderate teacher raises and considerable medical coverage hikes, the cost per teacher has gone up by 8.5 percent. We can all agree that Rogers would not be what it is without our excellent teaching staff so we are happy to support these raises.

As a result, the 23-24 prices for tuition are going up by \$50 per month for K-6 and \$60 per month for 7-8.

K-6: \$530/mo x 10  
7-8: \$550/mo x 10

Registration fees are priced differently depending on when you register. Early Registration (March 1-March 31): \$200

Registration opens on March 1 - watch for a link in your email.

## Student Led Conferences

No School, Thursday, March 2

On Thursday, March 2, school will not be in session for regular classes as we will open our doors for Student Led Conferences for grades K-6. Attend from 11:30-1 or 5-6:30 p.m.

If you wish to schedule a private conference with your child's teacher, please contact them directly to schedule this meeting. Jr. High classrooms won't be open for Student Led Conferences (they had their conferences a few weeks ago), but those teachers are happy to meet privately upon request.

## K-2 Parent/Student Music Class

Participate in Mrs. Zurita's classroom music class!

Next Thursday, March 2, the K/Pre-1st and 1/2 grade music classes are having a Kids & Parents music class! This will be a chance to enjoy a music class with your child and also a time for your kids to share with you what they have learned during the year.

Kinder/Pre-1st: 11:30 a.m. and 1st/2nd grades: 5 p.m.

RSVP to Mrs. McCrery ([cindy.mccrery@rogersschool.org](mailto:cindy.mccrery@rogersschool.org)) to secure your spot. This is a parent-participation class - not just an observation! Please only attend with your RAS student - no younger siblings.



# STUFF

February 24, 2023

## Coming up

**February 25:** Rogers puts on the church service at Village Church

**February 26:** 7th and 8th graders invited to WWVA Praise, 7:15-8 pm

**March 1:** Group Pictures

**March 2:** Student Led Conferences/ K-2 Parent Music Class, No School

**March 3:** Con Brio to MS Adjudication

**March 9:** WWVA Day for RAS 7th and 8th graders

**March 11:** RAS Bells and Choir at Village Church

## This week in photos



## Jr. High Science Motion Unit



## Happy Birthdays

Kaden C.	February 24
Juniper L.	February 25
Oliver M.	February 25
Brielle B.	February 25
Beckett E.	February 26
Colin M.	February 27
Abigail K.	March 2
Leah G.	March 3