RHS Board Highlights

APRIL 2025

RHS hosts Conference Academic Bowl

RHS finished 3rd in the last ever East Central Conference Academic Bowl. Next year, Ripon will move to the South Central Conference, where there is no established Academic Bowl competition.

This year's team members include Allayna Roh, Memphis Gatzke, Ashley Bradley, Brennan Martin, Sam Lind, Lillian Kwakkel, Quinten Disterhaft, Sam Moore, Preston Benton, Adeline Barid, Micah Rieder, Owen Mueller-Wolf, Owen Nankervis, Kira Schoff, Sean Kinder, Alyssa Bradley, Lilliona Rasch, Pricilla Clauson, Caroline Reabe and Nex Glover.



Webster's Grants Awarded to RHS

Recently, several staff and students attended the Webster's Foundation luncheon. Pictured below (from left) are Sarah Seidler-Halwas, Marta Yedinak, Brad Roost, Nex Glover, Kinzie Brunhoefer and Sheri Schmidt.

Spanish teachers, Mrs. Seidler and Mrs. Yedinak received an \$800 grant to update the Spanish reading program in classrooms.

Mr. Roost accompanied by student, Nex Glover, received a grant for \$1,000 for the Earth Science course to be used to fund four annual field trips and guest speakers from EAA, the State Cartographers Office, The Earthaven Museum in Gillet and a Native American potter.

FBLA, Advisor Sheri Schmidt accompanied by Kenzie Brunhoefer, received a \$1,000 grant from the Webster's Foundation and a \$700 grant from the Mildred M. and Edward W. Baar Youth and Education Fund for their Money Smart book, so every student K-2 goes home with a book after a money lesson. Thank you, Webster's Foundation!



Ripon College Chemistry Presents at RHS

RHS loves collaborating with Ripon College! Dr. Willoughby is a professor at Ripon College and he spoke with RHS Science students about post-secondary education and applications of Chemistry. Students joined Dr. Willoughby for some hands-on experience with an awesome liquid nitrogen demonstration! Thank you, Dr. Willoughby and Ripon College!









Ripon Noon Kiwanis Donations

The Ripon Noon Kiwanis held a Mystery Dinner to raise funds for the RHS Key Club and the RHS Social Justice Alliance Club. Each club was given \$889.61.

Pictured below accepting the donation check from Ripon Noon Kiwanis representative, Brian Reilly, for Key Club is RHS students Victoria Rivera, Elsie Feider and Kyler Rieder along with Key Club Advisor, Paul Wiegel.

Pictured below accepting the donation check from Ripon Noon Kiwanis representative, Brian Reilly, for The Social Justice Alliance Club is RHS students Lydia Goeden and Cullen Gatzke along with SJA Advisor, Brad Roost.

Thank you Ripon Noon Kiwanis!





Freshman Science classes learn skilled trades!

The freshman physical science classes attended presentations from Todd Weir (Pinnacle Plumbing, LLC), Ronnie Moderow (Moderow Electric) and Doug and Johnny Brewer (Brewer Heating, Inc.). The classes discussed the benefits of working in these respective fields and students were taught that these specific skilled trades can offer job security, competitive salaries and potential entrepreneurship. Ripon High School is fortunate to have amazing community relationships such as these. Thank you to these local businesses for taking the time to speak with our students.







RHS Winter Athletic Academic All-State Awards

The Athletic Academic All-State Award is given to those students that have maintained a 3.5 GPA throughout their semesters thus far at RHS.

Pictured below are the RHS Girls basketball team members that received Athletic Academic All-State. From left to right, Adalin Nodolf, Elizabeth Gatzke, Emma Resop, Bryn Carlson, Reese Brooks, Anna Buchholz, Adele Minor and Emerson Pier.



RHS All-Conference Athletes

Congratulations to the following athletes for earning ECC All-Conference Honors!

Girls Basketball:

- Bryn Carlson 2nd Team All-Conference
- Adalin Nodolf Honorable Mention All-Conference and All-Defensive Team

Boys Basketball:

- Blake Bradley 2nd Team All-Conference
- Logan Pollesch All-Defensive Team

Wrestling:

- Travis Cumber 2nd Team All-Conference / 126 pounds
- Owen Mueller-Wolf 2nd Team All-Conference / 285 pounds
- Trinity Treptow Honorable Mention All-Conference / 132 pounds

UW Oshkosh JA Business Challenge

16 Ripon High School students competed at the UW-Oshkosh JA Titan Business Challenge before spring break. These 16 students competed against other students from the Fox Valley. There were 48 teams (of 2) that competed on that day.

Brennan Martin and Cody Kamin walked away with 2nd place AGAIN this year and each will receive a \$500 scholarship. They also get to compete again at the State JA Business Challenge in May!

Congratulations Brennan and Cody!



RHS CAPP Biology

The RHS CAPP Bio class recently completed a lab where they learned how our soil acts as a filter.













THIS ELECTRIC!

Thanks to a Ripon Education Foundation Grant, RHS Physical Science students are learning about the basics of electricity. Using soldering kids provided by the REF, students discovered how different electrical components com together to make something work.

Thank you Ripon Education Foundation!













State FBLA

RHS FBLA students competed in Green Bay at the State FBLA competition.

Competing members include Victoria Rivera, Leah Page, Adeline Baird, Maggie Damsteegt, Layla Hein, Caroline Reabe, Kenzie Brunhoefer, Ashley Bradley, Maggie Wallner, Jocelyn Baker, Brianna Steele, Kenzie Gerretsen, Sam Lind, Emerson Hendricks, Jayden Hinton, Hayden Baker,

Anastasia Spaulding and Clare Walker.

Jocelyn Baker, Anastasia Spaulding, Clare Walker - Digital Video Production - 2nd place (scored 98/100 pts on their final presentation from both judges!)

Maggie Wallner - Advertising - 4th place (scored 85/100 pts on her test!)

Made finals - Top 8 (top 5 are recognized on stage):

Hayden Baker, Maggie Damsteegt - Sales Presentation - 5th place Emerson Hendricks, Hayden Baker - Community Service Project - 6th place Caroline Reabe, Layla Hein - Visual Design - 6th Place Kenzie Brunhoefer, Victoria Rivera - Local Chapter Annual Business Report - 8th place

Kenzie Brunhoefer - Who's Who - 5th place - this is a state only competition that includes all 4 years of FBLA participation, where students have to submit a point sheet of activities, a cover letter and a resume. This is a great honor to be in the Top 5.

These students competed but didn't place in Top 8

Jayden Hinton - Client Service
Samuel Lind - Financial Math

Adeline Baird, Leah Page - Graphic Design
Victoria Rivera - Public Speaking

Ashley Bradley - Organizational Leadership

Kenzie Gerretsen & Brianna Steele attended the Leadership Academy at the state conference.

If you see these students, please congratulate them!













Espanol Erupts!

Spanish 3 students are learning about volcanoes in preparation to exploring the legend of the Mexican volcanoes Popocatepetl and Iztaccihuatl.



















RHS Choir attends UWSP Jazz Festival

The RHS Jazz Choir performed at UWSP's Vocal Jazz Festival, which featured the New York Voices as the guest artist this year! They performed two arrangements by Tim Buchholz and Damon Meader of the New York Voices followed by a clinic with Damon Meader.

Eva Hoxie was awarded Outstanding Soloist from their performance. There was a presentation, Q&A, as well as an evening concert by the New York Voices to finish the day.











State Youth Art Month

RHS Art students and teachers, Amanda Hoeppner and Jesse Lain had an amazing experience attending the State Youth Art Month exhibition in Madison. Congratulations to those RHS students that had their artwork in the exhibit.



Ripon Robotics FRC Team 7915

Ripon Robotics started the 1st Robotics Competition (FRC) season with the understanding that it would be a rebuilding season as there were only two returning members after the majority of the team graduated last year. The team decided to attend only one competition this year in order to have enough time to get all the new members up to speed.

The team competed at the Wisconsin Regional presented by GE Healthcare held in West Allis from April 3-6, 2025. Ripon Robotics placed 4th at the competition. At the end of qualification matches, the team ranked 23rd out of 47 robots due to some tough alliance matchups. The top 8 teams become captains and pick 2 additional teams to round out the alliances. Members of the Ripon Robotics team were excited to accept a spot on Alliance 5 due to their consistent scoring ability. They advanced into the forth round of the playoffs, but unfortunately ended up getting eliminated in the semifinals after their alliance partners robot broke during the match.

The success this season was made possible due to our excellent drive team, team members, dedicated mentors and generous sponsors. Even though the team only competed in one Regional, Ripon Robotics is ranked 25th out of 69 Wisconsin FRC teams. They are excited to compete in the 1st ever Wisconsin State Championship to be held in June for the state's top teams.















RHS German Club

The RHS German Club had a team compete at UW Madison's 33rd Annual German Day event. It was a great day of seeing our students us their language skills in fund and creative ways!







ECC Perspectives Literary Magazine

RHS had 2 students participate in the ECC Perspectives Literary Magazine lunch at Mastricola's On Broadway in Berlin. Cassidy Sauerbrei and Paige Wichman each had their writing published in the ECC journal. The lunch included about forty students from around the conference. RHS students Elsie Fielder and Addison Johnson were also featured in the publication. Congratulations!









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