



**Don't Be O Negative; Be O Positive!  
Donate Your Blood**

Alese Loevlie

**H**OSA is a CTSO (Career and Technical Student Organization) for future healthcare professionals. At Riverton High, HOSA coincides with some of the classes from Intro to Health Science to Medical anatomy and Physiology. HOSA is also in charge of many amazing things, including the blood drives.

The next blood drive is on May 15th, 2024. Students who want to participate in the blood drive have to follow some requirements such as: they have to be 16, they need parent permission, they have to have a driver's license or a Skyward account, and must sign up on docs.

For students who want to donate blood but are nervous, Buffy Blunck, one of the HOSA advisors, encourages students to "go for it; try it!"

When signing up to donate blood, students are going to be given a questionnaire to fill out, then they are going to get their finger pricked, then they will get called back which is when they will start **d o n a t i n g b l o o d .**

Students should donate blood if they qualify. Donating blood is such a rewarding process-being able to help someone with your blood is a great feeling. Having a blood drive at the school is also extremely convenient for those who have after school obligations



Principal Waite participates by giving blood during the blood drive  
Photo Courtesy of Buffy Blunck

**Silverwolves, Go Have Fun  
At Some Amazing After-School Activities**

Raylee Jensen

**W**hen the bell rings and school is over, it's time to have fun. Even though it seems hard to find activities close by that won't break the bank, there are many fun activities in Riverton and neighboring cities that are affordable and fun.

**The Riverton Park** has a nice skate park, regular park, and a grassy area where you can picnic or play sports. **The Bluffdale park** has a large water pad to cool off in the

summer, a huge playground, and pickleball courts that are lit at night.

There are many fun activities that cost money as well, but sometimes you can get good deals. **Delton Bowling Lanes** offers a deal called "Cash is King" where you can pay \$10 cash for 3 games including shoe rental. This deal is offered Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays.

Most everyone is familiar with **Megaplex Theater's** Tuesday deal where you can sit back and enjoy a movie for an affordable price. Additionally, **Fat Cats's** theater also offers a \$5 ticket night on Tuesdays.

All of these are fun and inexpensive activities to consider the next time you and your friends or family are in need of a good time.



The Sunny and Beautiful Riverton park  
Photo courtesy of: Stratton and Bratt

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## Get Ready, Set, DRILL

Ty Tsosie

Since April of last year, the drill team has been pushing and training. Not only does it take physical strength but a positive mindset to make sure that they are 100% ready to present themselves on the competition floor as a team. Each and every single one of them has to be accountable and dedicated all throughout the season.

The team put a lot of work and dedication to earn their costumes by starting a fundraiser.

They also have to be accountable by waking up every morning to practice, making sure that the costumes are well taken care of, and that they have the mindset to help each other out through practices.

In addition to dedication and accountability that the team has, it takes time, patience and out of practice training to make sure that the routines and tricks are where they need to be.

Ydsan Saavedra is a senior here at RHS who is a part of the drill team and is happy to be a part of the drill team.

Saavedra has been dancing since she was 3 years old. Her mom, dad, her aunt and even her head coach are Saavedra's biggest inspirations.

She loves being a part of a community that pushes each other everyday to do better. With Saavedra being a part of that community, she has changed as a person who has gained better communication skills, better confidence, and an amazing support system.

"Anything that is worth it, is going to be hard, it is how you decide to look at it" Ydsan says.

## SBO Elections Are Just Around The Corner!

Carolina Demelo

The SBOs here at RHS are known for their amicable and inclusive demeanors! Every April, the time comes for each grade to revote for who they think should be an SBO!

The SBO election week will be from April 22, until April 26.

There will be two mandatory meetings everyone running is required to attend. The first is on the 15th, and it's the SBO (Student Body Officer) meeting. The second

is the SCO (Student Class Officer) meeting on the 22. Aside from that, the historian, artist, and tech SBO positions are audition based.

Whether you decide to run or not, SBO elections are a blast! From the assemblies to the videos the runners make to promote their campaigns, it's all such a memorable time! RHS is looking forward to election week!



2023-2024 RHS SBOs share so much camaraderie and friendship!  
Photo courtesy of Haily Scott

## Cheer On 'Till the Wolves Come Home

Nex Seguin

Here at Riverton our cheer team deserves recognition for their work at Nationals and just in general.

The team placed 3rd at Nationals this year. Senior and Cheer Captain, Kelsey Richman, says she was "surprised since last year they got 17th." A possible reason she suggests is that this year they focused on a more achievable goal so there would be less stress.

Richman believes people should join cheer so you can know more people and get more involved in school activities.

The cheer team has an Instagram account under the name of rivertoncheerleaders where they post about events they are performing at. They have also posted about their tryouts information, which is on Saturday April 6th at 9:30AM.



Our cheer team comes together to celebrate getting 3rd at nationals  
Photo courtesy of Kelsey Richman

## Putting the Silver in Silverwolves

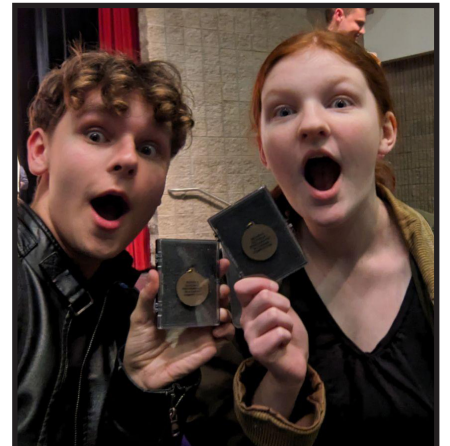
Aubrey Drussel

Region competitions for theater just happened recently, and RHS got second place overall. In state and region there are both individual and group competitions under the six different categories of musical theatre, contemporary scene, classical scene, humorous monologue, dramatic monologue, and pantomime.

All of the performances were performed phenomenally with many different students advancing to state competitions. These RHS students made people laugh with them and cry with them. They should all be proud of themselves. Make sure that next year you cheer them on to bring the gold to Riverton.

Riverton has an amazing dra-

ma program. Even if you can't be a part of it - or it's not your thing- make sure to come to any of their performances throughout the school year. For example, the next show is the MDT musical, *Back To The Eighties*. There's sure to be amazing hair and classic oldies. Be sure to watch for more info.



Trenton Lowe and Ella Platt celebrate medalling for their pantomime  
Photo courtesy of Trenton Lowe

## Upcoming AP Testing In May!

Breanna Tsosie

Art, history, English, math, science-Even art and ceramics. Many subjects such as these can also be taken as AP classes. All throughout the school year, the class time is spent on preparing you for the test that is taken sometime in May, up until the 17th.

Some of the tests consist of writing essays mostly that show what you've learned and can earn you college credit. Multiple choice questions are also a part of the testing arrangement.

Scores vary on the test you are taking and how well you do on the essay writing or the choices you make when answering questions. Scoring more than a 3 on average can offer you college credit giving you the advantage of saving money at the college or university you plan to go

to and put your credits to.

Another advantage of taking the AP tests if you are enrolled in the classes is that you are able to stand out in college admissions, especially if you plan to go out of state.

Lessons and assignments you learn in class should help you better understand the topics that will be covered on the tests. Now two months of preparation are available to all students are taking the time to study, work hard, and memorize what will possibly be on the tests.

To know what days your test is, it is easier to go onto your AP College Board page and look when your test is scheduled. College Board also offers daily videos that cover the topics learned throughout the school year which is very helpful to have as a study guide. If that is not available then there are lots of other resources that should be able to help you such as Heimler on You-

Tube. He commonly covers the topics of World History, US History, European History, Human Geography, and AP Government.

So if you are taking these classes, there is a helpful person in addition to your teacher. who will guide you through the testing process and the topics that are learned throughout the year. But your teacher is your best resource.



Terry is very helpful to AP students when it comes to testing advice  
Photo by Breanna Tsosie



College Board Logo  
Photo courtesy of College Board

## Discover the Awesome Benefits of Learning a Language!

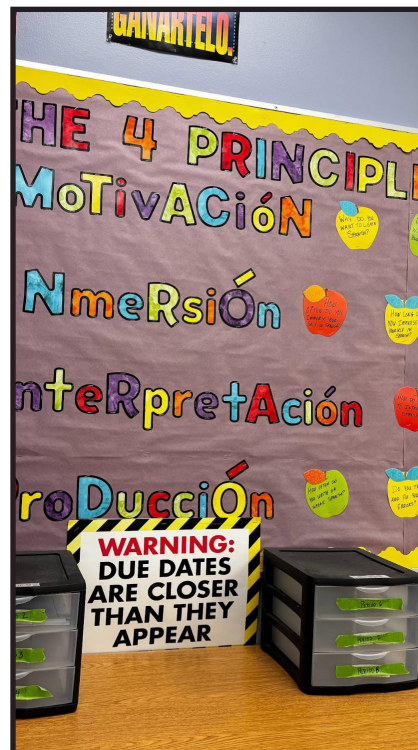
Lukas Clevenger

Riverton has many different language classes offered. From Spanish to ASL, there's always something to learn. While learning a language can be difficult, learning it with others can help increase your skills, dramatically. The feeling of having a conversation in a completely different language can be fulfilling.

Learning a language can also help improve other aspects of your life such as your memory. But it can

also improve other aspects of your brain. According to whitbyschool.org, "learning a second language can develop new areas of your mind and strengthen your brain's natural ability to focus". Alongside being great for your brain development, it can be "really great for your development and helps you grow with other communities that are usually left out", according to Kaitlyn Wallace, one of the two ASL teachers here at Riverton.

To learn more about the languages class offered you can either talk to the department head, Ms. Judy, or any of the other language teachers.



4 Principles in Ms. Judy's spanish class  
Photo by Lukas Clevenger



Poster displaying "I love you" in various languages  
Photo by Lukas Clevenger

## RHS Choirs Build Talent and Community

Peyton John

RHS has many talented students in its choir; recently, the Madrigals even shared their talent on BYU radio, and if you were tuning in, you could have heard them. Paige Gunther (12th), Madrigal President, said “We are so grateful for that opportunity to have shared our voices with the community and others while demonstrating the technique and the song that we worked so hard to prepare. We all thought it was such a cool experience and hope to be invited to do something similar in the future”.

We have 6 choirs at RHS: We have our general choirs which are mixed and bell choir, and then our 4 au-

ditioned choirs: (women’s choir) Cadence, (men’s choir) Men’s, our biggest concert choir A Cappella, and then our highest level choir called Madrigals. Gunther says “Some of our favorite performances were singing to the el-



RHS choirs sing back to the community by sharing their talent

Photo courtesy of Paige Gunther

ementary kids during Christmas. Even though we were all exhausted, it was worth every second to see the joy on their faces when we sang *Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer* in the style of *Star Wars* or dressed one of their peers/teachers up



The Madrigals were highlighted singing on BYU radio

Photo courtesy of Paige Gunther

as Santa Claus. She also said “Madrigals specifically does a lot of stuff outside of school hours in the community, especially during Christmas. We completed about 30 hours of performances during December, and are very proud of it.”

Gunther joined the choir to find a group to belong to that also integrated music into it. She had been a member of choir since middle school, and is now the president of the Madrigals. She encourages people to join choir because they’ll immediately gain multiple friends that will become almost like family, and they will get to have fun experiences and strengthen their music background.

## The Artistic Voice of Royce

Liliya McDaniel

Brendan Royce, a senior, is an artist here at Riverton. He has been creating art his whole life, but got into ceramics in 8th grade. He took an art class and fell in love with the medium. He is inspired by his brother, who draws and paints. Brendan likes to draw, paint on paper, but also paints Warhammer models. His favorite medium is ceramics.

He has taken a lot of art classes, such as Ceramics 1 and 3, 3D Art AP, Drawing 3. His favorite class has been AP Ceramics.

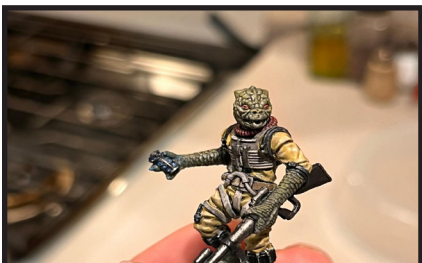
When figuring out what to create, he draws inspiration from whatever mood he is in. Sometimes he is in *Lord of the Rings*, other times *Star Wars*. He also draws inspiration from Egyptian culture. He found his love for Egyptian culture from the video game *Age of*

*Mythology*. When playing the game, you can pick different civilizations, and the Egyptian civilization fascinated Brendan—he found it all really cool.

Other than art, Brendan’s hobbies include playing video games, (one of his favorites is *Star Wars BattleFront II*), cooking, and rock climbing.

When he graduates high school, he plans on going on an LDS mission. He would love to be able to incorporate art into a career, but plans on being a financial advisor.

Art is important to Brendan “because everyone has a different way to express themselves. Some people like sports, like my brother who is competitive. Other people express themselves through what they create, like myself.” There is a sense of fulfillment when creating art.



Brendan Royce explores all kinds of mediums of art

Photo courtesy of Brendan Royce



Through the art classes at Riverton Brendan has made a lot of cool sculptures

Photo courtesy of Brendan Royce