### Counselor's Corner

Submitted by LHS Counselor Molly Serum

And just like that, summer is here! This school year was full of surprises and is one that we will all remember. Most of all, I will remember getting to know the amazing students, families, and staff within the Rosendale-Brandon School District. Thank you for a great year!

Now, speaking of summer... students, what are your summer plans? If it's working, going to summer school, or taking it easy, those are all good answers. Remember, summer is also a great time to take advantage of different opportunities that can help you to make the most of your upcoming school year because learning never stops. With that, rest, recharge, and enjoy your break!

Current 8th graders: Watch your mail this summer for an invitation to the Freshman Transition Program in August! This program is a great chance to become more familiar with Laconia's schedule, lunch, lockers, etc. You'll also take part in "Chromebook School" and receive your personal computing device on that day. You should also consider joining one of the fall sports. Being part of a team is a great way to meet people and feel a part of the school. At this time, exact dates are to be determined.

Freshmen and Sophomores: This summer could be a great time to check out possible volunteer opportunities. A lot of scholarships look at a student's community service. It's never too early to start. Not sure where to start? Simply look around your own community and see where you can make a difference.

**Juniors:** Wisconsin Private College Week is a great opportunity to visit several colleges and discover what's important in the college experience. During the week of July 27th- August 1st, the private colleges in Wisconsin will hold special online events! The events are meant to give prospective students and families an idea of whether or not a specific campus is a good fit for them.

For more information, check out this website: http://www.wisconsinsprivatecolleges. org/private-college-week

**Seniors:** Remember to continue to open and read any mail that you receive from your future schools. You've worked too hard to miss out on something because you didn't meet a deadline. Congratulations on your achievements!

#### THE ROSENDALE-BRANDON SCHOOL DISTRICT IS GRATEFUL FOR SUPPORT FROM THE FOLLOWING:

LYBC'S DONATION OF \$4000 FOR BASKETBALL SIDELINE CHAIRS

LACONIA L-CLUB'S DONATION OF \$243 FOR BASKETBALL SIDELINE CHAIRS

SHALLOW VALLEY FARMS'S DONATION OF \$500 FOR LACONIA TRAP CLUB

JENNIFER RIEDEMAN'S DONATION OF \$100 TOWARDS FIELD TRIPS FOR STUDENTS IN NEED

ANONYMOUS DONATION OF 100 BIKE HELMETS FOR BRANDON SCHOOL STUDENTS

RIPON LIONESS'S DONATION OF HYGIENE KITS FOR 1ST THRU 12TH GRADE CLASS OF 2003 DONATION OF \$537 FOR KUHN LEGACY ITEM

KNAUS CHEESE'S DONATION OF 7 CASES STRING CHEESE FOR SPARTAN LUNCHES

VISION AIRE FARMS, KEVIN MADIGAN, ROSE-ELD FARMS, DAN/ELLEN WEPNER, STEVE KAMPHUIS AND SONS DONATION OF 109 1/2 GALLON JUGS OF CHOCOLATE MILK FOR SPARTAN LUNCHES

CULVERS OF FOND DU LAC DONATION OF \$50 FOR LACONIA TRAP TEAM

FDL AREA FOUNDATION'S DONATION OF \$800 TO PURCHASE MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS T-SHIRTS FOR RBSD STAFF

DAVIS MANUFACTURING'S DONATION OF CARDBOARD BOXES FOR SPARTAN LUNCHES & LOCKER ITEMS

ROSE KINYON'S DONATION OF \$100 FOR SPARTAN LUNCHES DIVERSE OPTIONS' DONATION OF CARDBOARD BOXES FOR SPARTAN LUNCHES & LOCKER ITEMS

FDL AREA FOUNDATION'S DONATION OF \$341.69 FOR LACONIA GOLF TEAM

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#### **Graduation Gowns Handed Out**

Submitted by LHS Assistant Principal Jeff Thomas



Ready to distribute senior graduation items are LHS staff members Michael White, Diane Raue, Danielle Olejniczak, Cindy Bailey, Jeff Thomas, Jennifer Rademacher, and Shane Froseth.

#### Mother's Day Tea

Submitted by Teacher Mary Gillett

Brandon School first graders had a SUPER SECRET surprise for their mothers this Mother's Day. The children were mailed a secret packet in April. It contained everything they needed to make a book/purse for their mother. All this was done as a secret. Dads or other family members could help out. Mrs. Gillett taught them how to say "I love you" with sign language via a Class Dojo class story post.

The children were asked to email pictures of themselves holding a sign with a message for their mom, a picture of themselves with their moms, and a video clip signing "I love you." Mrs. Fellerer used these things to create a beautiful video that the children could share with their mothers.

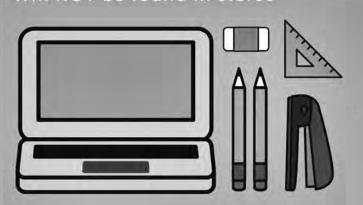
The traditional Mother's Day Tea had a bit of a Harley Block displays her Super twist this year, but it still brought happiness to the first graders and their moms.



Secret Mother's Day gift surprise.

## 2020-2021 ROSENDALE-BRANDON SCHOOL SUPPLY LISTS

- Will be sent home with Report Cards
- Will be found on www.rbsd.us
- Will be available at any school office
- Will NOT be found in stores



#### Remember to Monitor Kids' Online Activity

Submitted by RP/RI Library Media Specialist Pam Mumm

Our kids have had an unprecedented semester with online schooling. We teachers are so appreciative of all of the work that parents have done to help our kids continue to learn and grow during this time. As a parent, I understand the struggles of teaching my own kids online while juggling other responsibilities. I haven't loved that my kids have more access to the Internet, but I do appreciate that they are able to continue learning from their teachers and connecting with their class. I know I have gotten more lax in terms of monitoring my children's online activity, and so this is a reminder to all of us, even me.

There are a lot of really educational, fun, and safe activities online for kids to do. I have been guilty of letting my kids play online and while I watch them get started on a safe game on ABCya, for example, and then ten minutes later learning that they have clicked on an ad and they are somewhere else completely. It's easy for our kids to get lost online, and it's also easy for them to search for things they are curious about (the good, the bad, and the ugly).

While none of us can parent perfectly, here are some best practices for helping our kids stay safe online:

- Use technology together when possible.
- Establish clear family technology rules.
- Keep devices in common areas where screens can be seen and heard.
- Use an ad blocker.
- If your child uses YouTube, set up a family account that the kids can use where you work together to subscribe to channels that you trust.
- Vet websites or apps before you allow your child to play on them.

While your child is on a school device, there is a level of filtering and monitoring that is happening behind the scenes, but no filter or blocking system is perfect. The best way to keep our kids safe online is to teach them healthy computer habits.