







# **SOCIETY NEWS**

RIPON CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS





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# **SOCIETY MEETING 2025**

The Annual Society Meeting will be held on April 22nd at 6:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center. All Society Members are encouraged to attend.

### What is the Ripon Christian Society?

Parents and legal guardians of all enrolled students are automatically members of the Ripon Christian Society. We invite all interested parties that have a heart for Ripon Christian and agree with the purpose and objectives of Ripon Christian Schools to sign up and vote to approve the budget and approve board member nominees once per year.

### **ADMINISTRATION & CURRENT BOARD MEMBERS**

### **Administration**

**Eric Segaar** Superintendent & Interim

High School Principal

**Kendra Helsley** Interim Middle School Principal

Kevin Schenk Lower School Principal

Elly Rampoldi Preschool Director

**Lori McGovern** Director of Enrollment

Kevin Tameling Athletic Director &

Dean of Students

Bob DeRuiter Director of Technology

Natasha Vandenberg Director of Finance

Lynae Lucchesi Director of Marketing &

**Promotions** 

### **School Board**

Armando Blanco\*
Ryan Winters
Eddie Machado
Teresa Vander Veen
Chris Van Groningen
Joey Vander Schaaf
Ken Zuidervaart\*
Karen Van Elderen
Eric Vander Plaats
Ryan Van Groningen

\*indicates retiring Board Members

#### **Contact:**

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#### **Business Office Hours:**

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Summer

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Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm



Ripon Christian Schools is a place that has become a second home to many instructors, administrators, and staff that faithfully serve RCS students year in and year out. Each year we take this opportunity to recognize the milestones of these incredible members of our school. Please join us in congratulating them and thanking them for their dedication and commitment to the mission of RCS.

HONORING THE MILESTONES OF RCS FACULTY & STAFF

### **20 YEARS**

**KEVIN SCHENK** 

### **5 YEARS**

CARMELA ARGANBRIGHT
LAURA BEUMER
CHERISE DUNCAN
MEGAN DYK
PHIL GRAMS
THOMAS LAZETTE
WENDY MARSHALL
RANDY POSTMUS
MELISSA THOMING
COURTNEY VAN GRONINGEN

### 10 YEARS

SAMANTHA FISHER CAROLINE GRAEF DUSTY HOEKSTRA

### 15 YEARS

AMY ANEMA LORI MCGOVERN KARRIE TERPSMA **25 YEARS** 

STEVE ENSERINK
SHERWIN HEYBOER

35 YEARS

**PAM SEGAAR** 

JOIN US FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS TAKING PLACE NOW THROUGH THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

# SAVE THE DATE!

**MAY 1** 

ALL BAND NIGHT

**MAY 15** 

POPS CONCERT

**MAY 22** 

8TH GRADE CELEBRATION

**MAY 22** 

KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATION

**MAY 23** 

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION



## **RETIRING BOARD MEMBERS**

Thank you for four years of service on the School Board at RCS!

### **Armando Blanco & Ken Zuidervaart**

## THE NOMINEES

2 NOMINEES FOR THE RCS SCHOOL BOARD



### **Danny Koolhaas**

Church: Escalon Christian Reformed Church

Spouse: Kristi Koolhaas

Children: Shelby (15), Dorianna (13), Kenan (6)

**Education**: Ripon Christian Alumni, Dordt University - Graduated in 2008, Business Administration Degree with an emphasis in Finance

and Accounting

**Experience**: I work in the Ag Finance field at American Ag Credit. I am also currently the Coach for Mens Varsity Soccer at RC. I have served on multiple boards and have been on Council at Escalon CRC.

**Goals**: I love the RC Community and want to ensure we advance the mission of the school to future generations by being proactive stewards of the gifts and opportunities that God has blessed this community with.



#### Mike Sonke

Church: Ripon First Presbyterian Church

Spouse: Chrissy Sonke

Children: Alex (21), Grant (19), Tatum (17)

Education: Ripon Christian HS, Long Beach State B.S in Mechanical

Engineering

**Experience**: I am an almond farmer, past RC School Board member, and have been on various boards and committees for church, non-profit

ministries, and industry groups.

**Goals**: I hope to help Ripon Christian School continue to provide the best covenant education possible for our current students and for the next generation as well.

## **2025-2026 Budget**

### RIPON CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS 2025-2026 Proposed Budget

REVENUE AND SUPPORT Tuition/Church Support Enrollment fees	2023-2024 Approved Budget 8,029,447 65,000	2024-2025 Approved Budget 8,868,303 72,000	Proposed Budget 2025-2026 9,457,395 96,000
Tuition Assistance	520,000	525,000	542,000
Miscellaneous Revenue	10,000	28,000	28,000
Total Revenue	8,624,447	9,493,303	10,123,395
DISBURSEMENTS			
Personnel		2212.22	24.2.22
Salaries and Wages	5,299,992	5,838,272	6,085,978
Health Benefits	563,436	631,048	725,706
Payroll Taxes	405,449	446,628	465,577
Pension Benefits	560,000	586,650	665,916
Workman's Compensation	72,000	72,000	75,000
Total Personnel	6,900,877	7,574,598	8,018,177
Other Expenses			
Instructional Supplies	135,320	159,590	172,500
Textbooks & Library	95,000	100,000	105,000
Business Expenses	37,500	57,000	62,000
Convention/Conferences	7,000	10,000	10,000
Copier Costs	55,000	55,000	55,000
Dues & Accreditation	31,000	17,000	15,000
Legal, Accounting & Payroll Services	40,000	39,000	42,000
Professional Development	40,000	40,000	40,000
Staff Recruitment/Relations	33,000	28,000	30,000
Promotions and Advertising	40,000	32,000	32,000
D&O / Liability Insurance	68,000	103,000	107,000
Supplies/Repair	403,000	453,000	485,000
Garbage	23,000	25,000	26,000
Gas & Oil	65,000	65,000	70,000
Transportation - Repairs/Parts/Training	65,000	78,000	83,000
Telecommunications/ Internet	30,000	4,000	5,000
Utilities	185,000	210,000	235,000
Capital Reserve	12,000	-	-
Furniture and equipment	25,000	15,000	25,000
Technology/Equipment	158,000	160,000	170,000
Debt Reduction	145,000	165,000	200,000
A/C replacement	,	100,000	100,000
Bus replacement	30,000	-	-
Total Other Expenses	1,722,820	1,915,590	2,069,500
Total Expenses	8,623,697	9,490,188	10,087,677
Revenue over/under Expenditures	750	3,115	35,718

### **New Tuition Rates for the 2025-2026 School Year**

	1st Student	2nd Student	3rd Student	4th Student
Kindergarten	\$9,685.00	\$9,685.00	\$8,232.00	\$4,843.00
1st - 5th Grade	\$10,171.00	\$10,171.00	\$8,645.00	\$5,086.00
6th - 8th Grade	\$10,610.00	\$10,610.00	\$9,019.00	\$5,305.00
9th - 12th Grade	\$12,160.00	\$12,160.00	\$10,336.00	\$6,080.00

As in previous years, the 5th student is Free!

# Vote today!

Vote absentee today to approve the new board members and 2025-2026 budget

Thank you for taking the time to review the proposed 2025-2026 school budget and the candidates for the RCS School Board. Board members serve on the Ripon Christian School Board for a term of 4 years.

Voting will take place at the Society Meeting on April 22. If you are unable to attend the meeting, consider voting absentee by clicking the link below or mailing in an absentee ballot. \*Absentee voting begins 4/1/2025 and ends 4/22/2025 at 5pm PST

CLICK HERE TO VOTE apsentee

## APPROVE THE SCHOOL'S BUDGET AND NEW BOARD MEMBERS



### **2025 Absentee Ballot**

If you wish to vote by mail rather than online, please print out this page, cut along the dotted lines above, and return this form to:

RCS Business Office - 435 N. Maple Avenue, Ripon CA 95366

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Your Name : (First, Last)	E-mail Address:			
Danny Koolhaas	Mike Sonke			
YES NO	YES NO			
<b>Approve the 2025 - 2026 Budget:</b> YES NO				

Sign the outside of the envelope and mail or deliver to the Business Office by Tuesday, April 22nd. \*One vote per member of the Ripon Christian Society, this form must be filled out individually, spouses please vote separately