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# Rilke Nachrichten

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## Rilke Schule Assistant Principal Introduction

I am very excited to work with our Rilke Community as our school's new Assistant Principal. I have had the pleasure of working with many of you as a teacher at Rilke. I have been at Rilke for 6 years and previously served as a 3rd and 4th grade teacher and one year as the Teacher in Charge. Prior to my time at Rilke, I worked at Lake Otis as both a Kindergarten and First Grade teacher. My wife, Hailey Morgan, also taught at Rilke and worked with many Rilke families.

I grew up here in Anchorage and attended ASD schools. My family is deeply invested in education. My mom, two sisters, and wife have all been ASD teachers. Hailey and I have a three-year-old son named Achilles. Together we love to hike, camp, and travel. I love working with kids to help them meet their goals and working with families to build a strong Rilke community.

Rilke IS a strong community and I am excited to work alongside this community to help our school grow. Please feel free to contact me with any questions, or to share student success.

-Cameron Vincent-Lang

## Kindergarten

We still have a couple of spots open in our kindergarten class for this school year. Please share this information with friends, family, and anyone else who may be interested in enrolling their child in kindergarten at Rilke Schule. Additionally, families are welcome to call, 907-742-0900, or email, inforilke@asdkl2.org, for more information.

## Rilke Elternabend / Tag der offenen Tür

Rilke's Open House will be held on Thursday, 8/31 from 5:30 - 7:00. Teachers will be in their rooms to share plans for the school year and field general questions. Student specific questions can be addressed via email or pre arranged meeting. Rilke parent groups will also be set up to share ways you can help our community.

# Freiwillige

One of our main goals this year is to increase parent volunteering and we would love for you to get involved. We have many opportunities such as chaperoning field trips, working the crosswalk, helping at lunch or recess, helping with cultural events, working with students in small groups, joining the APC, RSV, or RSI boards, and many, many other opportunities. To begin, please click on the link below to register as a volunteer so we may run a quick background check to ensure the safety of our students. This must be completed every year and prior to working within the school. <a href="https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSft2SM758xCY0fkBu7cYj6vdYGO4RRJt7LFAqrCKaQDHMwPMg/viewform">https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSft2SM758xCY0fkBu7cYj6vdYGO4RRJt7LFAqrCKaQDHMwPMg/viewform</a>

#### Rilke Schule Online Store

The Rilke Schule Verein has a new and improved online store for Rilke gear and clothing. Please click on this link to shop and make purchases. <u>Rilke Schule Online Store</u>

# Schulgebühren

As many of you know, Rilke operates on a tight budget as a charter school whereas roughly 80% of the budget goes to staff salaries and the other 20% goes to renting the facility. This leaves little, if anything, for school supplies or activities which is why the activity and supply fees are so important to provide the school with the materials needed to foster an enriching learning environment. With that in mind, the activity and supply fees are set and Rilke will be able to receive the fees at the beginning of August. Log into your parent Q connect portal to make an on-line payment: <a href="https://parentconnect.asdkl2.org/production/parentportal">https://parentconnect.asdkl2.org/production/parentportal</a>

**Activity Fee: \$125** - The activity fees pay for field trips, guest speakers, buses, and other special class activities.

**Supply Fee: \$100** - The supply fees pay for classroom supplies like colored paper, paper, glue, pencils, scissors, folders, containers, and other materials for instruction. It also covers teacher supplies like paper, post-its, expo markers, paper towels, tissues, pens, and other supplies needed for instruction. Lastly, the supply fees are used for school wide supplies for art, P.E., music, and copy paper.

**School Supplies:** Students will still be responsible for backpacks, binders (5th - 8th grade), lunch packs, and other personal items that go back and forth between home and school. Thank you for your support, we could not provide an engaging learning environment without your help.

# **Handy Richtlinien**

Cell phones are part of our everyday life, but they also lead to distraction in an academic setting. Below, are the cell phone guidelines for students at Rilke Schule:

- Students will not use or check their cell phones or other devices (tablets, watches, etc.) between the school hours of 7:45 - 3:15 while on the Rilke Schule campus. This includes in the building and on the grounds during those times. However, a teacher may give explicit permission to use a device for academic purposes.

- If a student does use a device, it will be confiscated and a parent will need to come to the front office to retrieve the item. If this becomes a habitual offense, disciplinary action could be taken.
- Students may be given explicit permission to use the device to communicate with parents only in the front office. Students should not be calling or texting parents on campus without explicit permission to make that call in the front office.
- Parents need to call the front office to communicate with students. Do not call or text students during the school day. This could lead to device confiscation or discipline action.
- Lastly, do not call or text during dismissal time. First, it is illegal to be on a cell phone while driving through a school parking lot. Secondly, your children already know that you are picking them up, it shouldn't be a surprise. If pick up arrangements change, please contact the office and we will relay the message.

#### **Abwesenheit**

Students are expected to attend school while in session. However, students may be excused for the following reasons as defined by ASD policy: illness, death or illness in the family, school functions, extenuating circumstances, and religious events. Please note, family vacations and attendance at sporting events are not excused events, even with prior notice. Furthermore, teachers are not required to provide school work before the student is absent or while the student is absent. Instead, students will receive the schoolwork once they return to school. It is unreasonable to add to the teachers workload to prepare academic work days or even weeks prior to the lesson being taught in the classroom so that the student can go on vacation. Below are the expectations for make-up schoolwork once the student has returned to school.

- Kindergarten 2nd Grade: No schoolwork is required upon return, students will be excused from assignments and activities.
- 3rd Grade 4th Grade: Schoolwork is provided upon for the sake of learning, but teachers are not required to grade this work. Instead, the assignments and activities will be excused.
- 5th Grade 8th Grade: Schoolwork is provided upon return and students may be required to complete it as a graded assignment. Teachers may excuse the assignments, but this is the exception, not the expectation.

#### Vertretungslehrerinnen

We are in need of substitute teachers for this school year. Substitutes play a very important role to ensure a great learning environment while the classroom teacher is out. If you are interested, please click on the link below to learn more about subbing and follow up by contacting the ASD Talent Management Department at (907) 742-4115. <a href="https://www.asdk12.org/Page/5603">https://www.asdk12.org/Page/5603</a>

#### Kleiderordnung

Please review the school dress code and help your children meet the <u>Rilke Dress Code Policy</u> on a daily basis. Rilke wear can be ordered at the following web address-https://www.rilkeschuleverein.com/logo-wear

# **Geplante Events**

- 8/24 First Day of School for Kindergarten
- 8/23 APC Meeting
- 8/31 Rilke Open House
- 9/4 Labor Day (No School)
- 9/25 Picture Day

# **Wichtige Links**

ParentConnect (Online Student Gradebook and Information)

Rilke Schule Verein (RSV) Membership

Volunteering Information

Rilke Remote Learning Plan

Rilke Master Calendar
Becoming an ASD Substitute Teacher
<u>Dress Code Policy</u>
COVID and "When to Stay Home" Information
Samstags Schule
Pick.Click.Give.
Rilke Instagram

# Bisherige Nachrichten

8.11.23 Rilke Nachrichten

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