



Richvale Charter Academy

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Welcome Back to School!

Dear Richvale Charter Academy Families,

Welcome to the 2026–2027 school year! We are excited to welcome our students and families back to Richvale Charter Academy for another year of learning, growth, and hands-on experiences. We have many exciting opportunities planned in agriculture, STEM, Spanish, art, and music. Mrs. Stone will continue to provide music instruction, and our teachers will be incorporating project-based learning throughout the curriculum to create meaningful, engaging learning experiences for all students.

We are also pleased to introduce our new Vice Principal, **Ricardo Galicia**. Mr. Galicia brings 13 years of experience in public education, primarily as an Education Specialist, and is passionate about supporting all students, especially those who need us most. He is excited to join the Biggs Unified family and looks forward to partnering with our Richvale families throughout the school year.

We are excited to welcome several new staff members to our team. **Ms. Tara Johnson** will be teaching the 1st/2nd grade combination class. **Mrs. Pearson** will teach the 3rd/4th grade combination class, and **Ms. Terpening** will continue teaching the 5th/6th grade combination class. **Jennifer Hamill** is joining Richvale as a paraprofessional and will work alongside **Ms. Tabor** to support our students. School supply lists are available on our website at res.biggs.org.

School begins each day at **8:30 a.m.** and ends at **2:35 p.m.** Bus transportation to and from Biggs Elementary School will continue to be available. As a charter school, Richvale operates on a **175-day school calendar**, which provides students with several additional three-day weekends throughout the year. There will be no school on **September 18, October 30, January 11, March 12, and April 23**. These teacher workdays provide time for staff to prepare enrichment activities, develop project-based learning experiences, and participate in professional learning.

Families interested in volunteering in classrooms, attending field trips, or driving for school activities must complete the district fingerprinting process. Fingerprinting is provided **free of charge**. Please contact Loretta at the District Office for more information, or take advantage of free fingerprinting during **Biggs Unified Back-to-School Night on Wednesday, August 5, from 6:00–7:00 p.m.** in the library.

Richvale Charter Academy's Back-to-School Night will be held on **Thursday, August 13, from 6:00–7:00 p.m.** We encourage all families to attend, meet their child's teacher, visit the classroom, and learn more about the exciting year ahead.

The **first day of school is Thursday, August 6**. We will begin the year with a **First Day of School Celebration** at **8:30 a.m.**, beginning with a schoolwide flag salute. Families and community members are invited to join us as we celebrate the start of another great school year. Following the brief ceremony, parents are welcome to walk their children to their classrooms and meet their teachers.



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We look forward to partnering with you to ensure every student has a successful and rewarding year. We believe that strong relationships between home and school are essential to student success, and we encourage you to reach out whenever you have questions or concerns. Our door is always open.

Upcoming Events

- **August 6:** First Day of School & First Day of School Celebration (8:30 a.m.)
- **August 12:** School Board Meeting
- **August 13:** Picture Day
- **August 13:** Back-to-School Night, 6:00–7:00 p.m.
- **September 2:** Student of the Month Assembly, 10:40 a.m.
- **September 7:** Labor Day – No School
- **September 8:** Melodies Program
- **September 9:** 6th Grade Shady Creek Parent Meeting, 6:00 p.m. (Biggs Elementary, Room 6)
- **September 9:** School Board Meeting
- **September 18:** Teacher Workday – No School
- **September 22:** Academic Night at Biggs Elementary featuring STEM and Literacy activities for the whole family

If you need assistance at any time during the school year, please don't hesitate to contact us.

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Thank you for choosing Richvale Charter Academy. We are excited to partner with your family and look forward to an amazing school year filled with learning, discovery, and growth.

Sincerely,

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Vice Principal