

R Ridgewood High School Student Services Department R

2021-22

December 2021

Student Services Team



Pictured from left to right: Natalie Dobbins, Michaela Vasey, Cari Franz, Haley Morelli, Kathleen Leynes, Jim Gyori, Jen Snyder, and Maria Jellissen Not pictured: Lori Freese, Jessica Hurtado, and Katie Davis

December brings us National Human Rights Month and January brings us National Mentoring Month...

December recognizes National Human Rights month. It is a chance for everyone to come together and stand up for equality, justice, and the dignity of all humans. For more information, please check out the National Day Calendar here: <https://bit.ly/31zyzai>

January brings us National Mentoring month. This month helps us come together to find mentors in our communities for young people. Did you know that Ridgewood has a mentoring program? If you're interested in becoming a mentor, please reach out to Lisa Balata at lbalata@ridgenet.org. They meet the first Thursday of every month from 9:30-10:45am

Course Registration for the 2022-23 School Year

During the week of December 6th, junior students and their families met with their counselor to pick courses for the 2022-23 school year. *If your current junior did not do this, please setup an appointment with their counselor as soon as possible.*

When we return from break, current freshmen and sophomores will pick their courses for the 2022-23 school year. If they have any questions about courses to sign up for, they should schedule an appointment with their counselor.

Scholarships and Job Seekers

Are you looking for scholarships and/or a job? Please check out our website to find the latest scholarship and job postings: <https://www.d234.org/student-life/scholarship-and-job-bulletin/>

Attention Seniors!

Seniors, please schedule an appointment with your counselor if you still do not know what you plan to do after high school.

Odalis, our ISAC representative is now available to help with all your FAFSA/Alternative Application needs by appointment only. You can make an appointment with her here:

<https://calendly.com/odalis-arcadio/30min>

Remember, the FAFSA/Alternative Application is a graduation requirement.

Important Dates

- December 20-24, 2021 → No School: Winter Break
- December 27-31, 2021 → No School: Winter Break
- January 3, 2022 → No School: Winter Break
- January 4, 2022 → School Resumes
- January 4, 2022 → Freshmen input Course Requests into Skyward
- January 5, 2022 → Sophomores input Course Requests into Skyward
- January 14, 2022 → No School: Teacher Work Day
- January 17, 2022 → No School: MLK Day
- February 3, 2022 → 8th grade Information Night at 6:00pm
- February 18, 2022 → No School: Teacher Institute Day
- February 21, 2022 → No School: President's Day



Friendly Reminder

This is a friendly reminder that we have changed to the alpha split model for our counselors and social workers. Below is the breakdown of our alpha split model.

Alpha Split	School Counselor	School Social Worker
Last Name A-G	Jim Gyori	Kathleen Leynes
Last Name H-O	Maria Jellissen	Haley Morelli
Last Name P-Z	Cari Franz	Jennifer Snyder

We are also lucky enough to have 3 social work interns with us this year: Natalie Dobbins, Jessica Hurtado, and Michaela Vasey. They also have the ability to assist your student throughout the year if the need arises.

If you're interested in making an appointment, here is the link to schedule an appointment: <https://www.d234.org/student-life/schedule-appointments/>