FRANK AUGUSTUS MILLER MIDDLE SCHOOL

Macaw Flight Plan for Students and Families 2021-2022

August 2021

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Welcome to Frank Augustus Miller Middle School! The 2021-2022 school year is fast approaching! We are excited to return to FAMMS and collaborate with families to serve our students. The Macaw Flight Plan attempts to provide a general path for families to navigate the opening of school.

The first official day of school for 7th grade students is Friday, August 6th from 7:30 - 10:30 AM, this will be a 7th grade orientation day. The first full day of school for all students is Monday, August 9th, 7:30 AM – 1:55 PM.

The Annual Macaw Night is Thursday, August 5th from 3:00 – 6:00 pm. In consideration of the safety and well-being of the FAMMS community and to process families as quickly as possible, activities will focus on providing students with their class schedule and to pick up pre-purchased PE clothing. This year, FAMMS will have an online Storefront to make optional purchases of PE clothing, yearbooks, and ASB Shop Riverside Cards. The link to the FAMMS Storefront will be provided in a future email near the end of July. If you choose not to shop on the FAMMS Storefront, there will be an opportunity to purchase these items by cash or check during the first week of school from the main office. Please be aware that there is NO PURCHASING at Macaw Night except from the online Storefront.

Should you be unable to attend Macaw Night, the student class schedule will be available for download in the Aeries Student/Parent Portals on the afternoon of 8/5/21 or may be picked up on the first day of school.

The Macaw Flight Plan provides families with information on beginning the school year. Please be sure to read the information in the plan and complete the Data Confirmation Process using the Aeries Parent Portal during the first week of school, August 9-13.

Our expectation as a staff is that our students will have a safe, secure and Macawesome middle school experience and to learn and grow in preparation for high school and beyond! We look forward to a wonderful year with the FAMMS community!

Mr. Mark Shaw
Principal

*Please be aware that all information contained in the Macaw Flight Plan is subject to change based on RUSD Covid-19 policies. Updates will be provided as necessary.
Data Confirmation

FAMMS parents/guardians use the Aeries Parent Portal to access and complete the REQUIRED school forms, referred to as Data Confirmation in Aeries. ALL Miller parents/guardians MUST have an RUSD Aeries Parent Portal account set-up to complete the data confirmation process (be aware that data confirmation IS NOT available in the Student Portal account).

If internet access is not available or assistance is required, please contact the Miller main office.

Through the Aeries Parent Portal, parents will complete the data confirmation process, view student demographic data, access live student grades, unofficial transcripts, attendance records, student class schedule, progress toward completion of graduation requirements and emergency contact information. The following information is required to create a Portal account:

- **Parent Email account** (a free email account may be created using Gmail); this email account MUST be accessible during the Portal creation process. Use a working email account with a known user name and password.

- **Student Permanent Identification Number** - a unique 6-digit number assigned to each student by RUSD (the ID # is the same as the student lunch #)

- **Valid area Code & Telephone Number** that is CURRENTLY on record with the school

- **Verification Code** (VPC) - a random code containing numbers and uppercase letters. If you are new to RUSD this school year, you will receive this code on Macaw Night. For questions please email dvillegas@riversideunified.org.

Data Confirmation will open on August 5, 2021. Upon completion of the Data Confirmation process, parents are prompted to print a “Data Confirmation Receipt.” Please send the printed, signed (by parent and student) Data Confirmation Receipt with your student on Friday, August 13, 2021 to be turned in during 7th period.
Macaw Flight Plan Checklist ✓

♦ All Macaw parents/guardians are requested to complete the following by Wednesday, August 5, 2021:

☐ California state law, AB 354, requires all students entering grade 7 to provide proof of immunization.
   ➢ Scan or take a photo and email a copy to: aembrey@riversideunified.org
   ➢ Required Immunizations: one dose of Tdap and two doses of Varicella

☐ Make optional purchases using the Miller online StoreFront, such as PE clothing, yearbook, and ASB Community Cards to be picked up on August 5th from 3:00 - 6:00 pm during Macaw Night.

☐ Cafeteria Services - If your student may be eligible to receive free or reduced price meals, complete this application: https://bit.ly/2Hujjyi

☐ Join PTSA! Yearly membership fee is $10: https://jointotem.com/ca/riverside/frank-augustus-miller-pta

♦ All Macaw parents/guardians are requested to complete the following by Friday, August 13, 2021:

☐ Complete Data Confirmation in the Aeries Parent Portal: https://aeriesportal.rusd.k12.ca.us/LoginParent.aspx
Optional Purchase Information

All optional purchases MUST be done PRIOR to Macaw Night on August 5th through the FAMMS Online StoreFront. All pre-purchased PE Clothing and Shop Riverside cards may be picked up on Macaw Night and yearbooks will be distributed in May.

**LINK TO FAMMS ONLINE STOREFRONT**

*Opens on August 1st*

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Method of Payment:  *CREDIT CARD purchases only on the FAMMS StoreFront*

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**Caring for Our Communities’ Student Athletes**

**Sports Pre-Participation Screenings**

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Parents need to complete the Pre-participation Screening Form prior to the exam. Please call the school if you have any questions.

www.RiversideMedicalClinic.com

CLICK HERE for a flyer

CLICK HERE for the **REQUIRED** Pre-Screening Form
Frank Augustus Miller Middle School PTSA

Parent Information
Come Get Involved!
Join our PTSA! Annual membership $10.00

Enjoy Substantial Benefits. Individuals and local units can take advantage of a host of benefits from PTSA membership including discounts and offers from member benefits providers and sponsors, magazine subscriptions, leadership training, e-newsletters and much more.

For less than 20 cents a day, parents can become a PTSA member, joining more than 5 million other people who share interests in issues affecting children. Everyone—parents, educators, students and other citizens active in their schools and communities—is invited to join our non-profit parent teacher student association.

We welcome parent and community involvement. The following opportunities are for parents, students, staff and community members to get involved with Frank Augustus Miller Middle School.

**PTSA**

PTSA Meetings are held one Thursday of each month at 12:30 PM

- September 14, 2021
- October 12, 2021
- November 9, 2021
- December 14, 2021
- January 11, 2022
- February 8, 2022
- March 8, 2022
- April 12, 2022
- May 10, 2022

**FAMMS PTSA is responsible for the Programs and Activities:**

- Miller Pillar Awards
- 8th Grade Picnic
- Staff Appreciation
- Back to School Dance
- Red Ribbon Week
- 7th Grade Assembly

**Ways to help PTSA:**

Want to be involved? PTSA is always looking for volunteers to help with school activities/programs. If interested, please contact Vanessa Hernandez at: fammsptsa@yahoo.com

We all work hard every day and sometimes don’t have time to volunteer at school. You would be surprised to know that you can still help your school just by shopping! If you shop at Ralph’s, Box Tops, or Target all you need to do is designate Frank Augustus Miller Middle School as your school. They will donate a percentage of your purchases to the school! See the activities page on FAMMS website for more information on these and other opportunities to contribute.

**PTSA will offer:** Miller Sweatshirts and T-Shirts, prices start at $15.00 and up

**PTSA Membership $10.00** (make check payable to FAMMS PTSA) or click here to purchase membership online: https://jointotem.com/ca/riverside/frank-augustus-miller-pta
# SCHOOL INFORMATION

Office Hours 7:00 AM - 3:30 PM

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<td>Ms. Mere Jorrin</td>
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<td>Counselor, 8th Grade</td>
<td>Mrs. Elisabeth Sanchez</td>
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<td>Ms. Erin Tavaglione</td>
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<td>Student Assistance Counselor</td>
<td>Erin Hebert</td>
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<td>Program Facilitator</td>
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## Useful Web Sites

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Class Schedule Information

As part of a comprehensive guidance curriculum, the FAMMS Guidance Department strives to provide an appropriate and individual course of study designed to meet the needs of each student. Due to the advanced curriculum planning and staffing required to meet student needs, the Guidance Department will attempt to honor requests for course changes based upon one or more of the criteria listed below.

- Student schedule reflects missing periods or double scheduled periods.
- Student does not meet the pre-requisite for the course.
- Student qualifies for and enters a special program, for example, students with an IEP.
- Student requires a course level change.

**Note:** Class schedules will not be changed based upon assigned lunch and/or requests for specific teachers. Thank you!

If you have any concerns as described above, please contact your child’s academic counselor:

8th Grade: Mrs. Elisabeth Perales-Sanchez, Ext. 57034  
eperales@riversideunified.org

7th Grade: Ms. Erin Tavaglione, Ext. 57117  
etavaglione@riversideunified.org
Contacts For Teachers/Homework

Our staff email and phone extensions are available on the FAMMS website:  miller.riversideunified.org. The FAMMS phone number is 951-789-8181.

Teachers post assignments, standards, and projects in Google Classroom.

Please do not hesitate to contact our staff if you have a question, need clarification, or have a concern. Thank you!

Back To School Night

Back to School Night is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, August 19th from 6:00-7:30 pm. Further details will be sent to families.

This is an opportunity to meet teachers and receive an overview of each class. Due to time constraints, if necessary, please schedule an appointment with teachers to discuss individual student progress or concerns at another time.

Textbook/Chromebook Checkout

Textbooks and Chromebooks will be checked out to students during the first week of school.
## DAILY BELL SCHEDULE
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(announcements, silent reading and clubs)

### Wednesday, Bell Schedule
#### (Early Release, 12:05 PM)

Every Wednesday, FAMMS will release at 12:05 PM to allow for teacher planning. Please calendar for all Wednesdays this school year.

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FAMMS Progress Report Schedule
2021 - 2022

RUSD Mid-Quarter Progress Reports and Report Cards
will be mailed home on approximately the following dates:

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Cafeteria News

RUSD serves a nutritious breakfast every morning beginning at 7:00 AM for $1.50. Help your student get a “Smart Start” for the whole day! The price for a cafeteria lunch is $3.25.

Pre-Payment Options

Please take advantage of the TWO options to prepay your student’s meal accounts. Prepaid meal accounts help the lunch lines go faster and gives students more time to eat and relax. It also gives parents the peace of mind of not worrying about looking for lunch money every day or that money might be lost, stolen or used for things other than lunch.

1) Prepay online at www.paypams.com and use your bank account or credit card (service fee applies).
2) Prepay with cash or check and bring money in person or send the money with your student.

Deposits should be brought to the cafeteria; make sure that the student’s name and lunch number is on the check. This is important, especially if the last name on the check is different than the student’s name. This money is added to the lunch account and can only be used for one breakfast and one lunch per day and may not be used for snacks or ala carte foods. Students will be told when their account is running low.

Meal Eligibility

If a student was eligible to receive free or reduced price meals at the end of May 2021, he/she will remain eligible until the end of September 2021 only. Each year a new application MUST be completed. The new 2021-2022 meal application may be completed online on the RUSD Nutrition Services website, https://bit.ly/2Hujjyi (plan on at least two weeks to process applications). For further information visit the district website at http://riversideunified.org/departments/nutritionservices
School Hours

School hours are 7:30 AM - 1:55 PM. The school opens for students to eat breakfast or to come on campus at 7:00 am. There is no supervision prior to 7:00 AM or after 2:15 PM. Students must be picked up from school by 2:15 PM, unless involved in a school supervised after-school activity. Thank you for your cooperation in being sure that children arrive and depart in a timely manner!

Every Wednesday is early release day and student release time is 12:05 PM. Students must be picked up from school by 12:25 PM, unless involved in a school supervised after-school activity. Thank you!

School Mailing

Quarterly progress reports, report cards, and other school mailings are mailed to the address that is on file with the school office to ensure that parents receive important information.

Address Changes

Have you moved or are you going to move? If so, RUSD requires two utility bills as proof of residence. Please bring an electric and gas or water bill to the office within 30 days of a move. If you have any questions or need more information, do not hesitate to contact the school office for assistance.

Internet Access/Acceptable Use Form

All digital devices used on campus have open access to RUSD Internet (Wi-Fi). Parents should agree to the Acceptable Use Policy in the Aeries Parent Portal. A parent copy is located in the RUSD School Information for Students and Parents Handbook 2021-2022. CLICK HERE to download the 2021-2022 RUSD Parent Handbook.

The student’s Google account may be disabled, if the parent DOES NOT give permission for internet use.
Middle school students must pass a specific number of classes in order to participate in the middle school promotion ceremony. On April 19, 2011, Riverside Unified School District approved the following criteria for middle school promotion ceremony participation:

1. Middle schools are on a semester calendar.
2. Students are required to pass 83% of their classes during their 2 years in middle school (20 out of 24 classes or 100 out of 120 credits attempted) in order to participate in the promotion ceremony.
3. Passing a class is defined as earning a semester grade of ‘A, B, C, or D’.
4. Students receiving an ‘F’ semester grade will be allowed the opportunity to remain eligible for the promotion ceremony by passing the failed class with a ‘C’ or better grade the following semester.
5. A 7th grade student who earned an ‘F’ in math or language arts may remain eligible for the promotion ceremony participation by earning a proficient or advanced score on the State Test in math or language arts. This option is available only to 7th graders, because scores are not reported by California until August.
6. Students entering a middle school after the start of the school year will be required to pass five out of six possible classes taken for the full semester (s) they attend the RUSD middle school to participate in the promotion ceremony.
7. If a student is considered in jeopardy of not participating in the promotion ceremony, an Individual Promotion Plan (IPP) may be completed by a designated school representative, student, and parent. The goal of the IPP is to identify a plan of action that will be taken by all stakeholders to assure the student’s participation in the promotion ceremony.

The purpose of the middle school promotion ceremony criteria is founded on two tenets. RUSD seeks to:

- Motivate every middle school student to pass all classes.
- Prepare every middle school student for the rigor of high school, college, and career.
End of the Year 8th Grade Activities Participation Criteria

At the end of each school year, FAMMS offers three special activities for students promoting to high school: the 8th grade picnic, 8th grade dance, and the promotion ceremony. Each of these activities offers students a fun, free, and safe way to spend time with friends commemorating their final year at FAMMS.

**Picnic:** All eligible 8th grade students may spend the day off-campus and have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities. This event is sponsored by the PTSA, all costs are covered and lunch, snacks, and drinks are provided to students.

**Dance:** The 8th grade dance is an evening event at FAMMS. This dance is an exciting culminating activity for all eligible 8th grade students. There is no admission charge and refreshments are provided to students at this event.

**Promotion Ceremony:** The promotion ceremony is scheduled for the morning of the last day of school on the FAMMS field. The ceremony takes approximately one hour. During this time each promoting student will receive a certificate.

**Eligibility for 8th Grade Activities:** Information with final dates and additional details for each activity will be provided closer to the scheduled dates. However, we want to inform parents well in advance of the requirements for students to attend. In order to remain eligible for participation in each of these activities, students must be in good standing with regards to discipline and grades and must meet promotion requirements. The infractions that can put a student in jeopardy of losing their 8th grade activity privileges are outlined below.

**Participation Criteria:**

- Students MUST meet the RUSD Middle School Promotion Ceremony Criteria and pass 20 of 24 classes over the course of middle school. Students not meeting promotion criteria are not be allowed to attend the 8th grade picnic and 8th grade dance:
  - Any suspension during the school year for drugs/alcohol/tobacco.
  - Must not accumulate more than 6 total days of suspension during the school year.
  - Any suspension or STOP referral that occurs after spring break.
  - More than two non-academic discipline incidents that occur after spring break.

*The final decision on eligibility for participation in each activity is left to the discretion of administration.*
Student Code of Conduct

Important Information for Students and Parents

Students at Frank Augustus Miller Middle School are expected to be aware of and accept personal responsibility in the following areas:

**Forbidden or Illegal Activities**
- Use, sale or possession of alcohol, drugs or related paraphernalia
- Smoking or possession of tobacco products, including e-cigarettes
- Possession of any type of weapon including necklaces, chains, rings, and other jewelry that could be used as a weapon. This also includes possession of real or replica weapons or explosive devices
- Possession of inappropriate printed material that depicts vulgar, sexually suggestive, racist or violent subject matter
- Possession of matches, lighters or other incendiary devices
- Possession of inappropriate devices, toys or materials not intended for relevant educational purposes
- Fighting or instigation of an altercation
- Food or drink in classrooms or other non-food service areas
- Hazing
- Inappropriate display of affection
- Defiance of authority
- Possession of non-approved advertisements (party flyers, etc.)
- Forgery, plagiarism, or cheating
- Use of obscene language or profanity
- Gambling or possession of cards, dice or other gambling paraphernalia
- Being off campus or out of class during the school day without written authorization
- Disruptive classroom or campus behavior
- Sexual harassment
- Possession of spray paint or permanent marking pens
- Defacing, destruction, or theft of school property
- Violation of school dress code

**Jurisdiction**

The middle school has the obligation to enforce the rules and regulations and to act on a violation at any school activity at any time including but not limited to:
- While on school grounds
- While going to or returning from school
- During or while going to or coming from any school-sponsored activity, both on and off campus
- During lunch period
District Regulations for Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco
Riverside Unified School District has adopted strict policies toward drugs and alcohol. Possession, use, furnishing, selling, or transporting for sale of drugs and alcoholic beverages, controlled substances, or look-alike substances is against district and state rules and regulations. Consequences are as follows:

Possession or use of drugs, alcoholic beverages, or intoxicants of any kind:
- First offense – 5 day suspension or 3 day suspension and referral to a drug diversion program
- Second offense – recommendation for expulsion

Furnishing, selling or transporting drugs, alcoholic beverages, or intoxicants:
- First offense – 5 day suspension and recommendation for expulsion

Brandishing a knife or possession of firearms:
- First Offense - 5 day suspension and recommendation for expulsion

Vandalism/Tagging is a criminal offense. Parents/legal guardians are financially liable; and if school property is tagged/vandalized the student may be suspended and/or expelled.

Possession or use of nicotine products
- First offense – 3 day suspension
- Second offense – 5 day suspension

Mandated Recommendation for Expulsion
Any student who has committed any of the following violations while under school jurisdiction shall be immediately suspended and could face possibility of expulsion for one calendar year. This expulsion is effective in all schools in the district and in the State of California.
- Firearm: Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished a firearm
- Brandishing a Knife at another person: As defined in this section, knife means any dirk, dagger, or other weapon with a fixed, sharpened blade fitted primarily for stabbing; a weapon with a blade longer than 3½ inches; a folding knife with a blade that locks into place or a razor with an unguarded blade.
- Unlawfully selling a controlled substance.
- Committing or attempting to commit sexual assault or committing sexual battery.
- Possession of an explosive
**Intentional Harassment**
Intentional harassment is defined as threats or intimidation directed against students or group of students that is sufficiently severe or pervasive that it materially disrupts class work, creates disorder, and invades the rights of that student or a group of students. Students are subject to suspension and/or expulsion for harassment when other means of correction have failed to bring about proper conduct or if the student’s presence causes a continuing danger to physical safety or threaten to disrupt the education process.

**FAMMS Dress Code:**
Frank Augustus Miller is a teaching and learning institution. Students are expected to wear clothing which is appropriate for school and school sponsored activities. This means that clothing shall be decent, distraction free, free of any intimidation factor, and free of advertising items that students are forbidden to buy or have in their possession. **If a student violates the dress code, the student will be asked to change his/her clothing at the school into loaners or PE clothes and the parent may be called. The dress code will be strictly enforced.**

- Strapless or only one strap over the shoulder, spaghetti straps, low plunging necklines or midriff baring tops may NOT be worn at school. Undergarments should not show.
- Tops are considered too short if the skin shows as the student sits, walks, or engages in usual activities. No midriff skin should be exposed when the student raises his/her arms above his/her head.
- No tank tops with large arm holes for boys or girls that show the chest or stomach area.
- Shorts must be mid-thigh in length.
- No sagging, baggy, tight or revealing pants/pajama bottom. All pants should fit on or above the hip bone without being belted or otherwise altered. If the pants begin to slide without a belt, they are too big.
- No inappropriate signs, symbols, pictures or words.
  
  *(Examples of inappropriate symbols: alcohol, tobacco and drug related materials, pictures or words about weapons, references to sexual or illegal acts).*
- No clothing that refers to, in any way, any gang, group or idea that may intimidate or offend another student on the basis of race, gender, religion or sexual orientation.
• No bandanas (worn anywhere on the body).
• No studded jewelry or clothing; no spike earrings.
• No wallet chains or other potentially harmful accessories.
• Hats/beanies may be worn outside and must be removed when indoors. Hats with bills must be worn with the bill facing forward.
• Shoes must be worn at all times. Slippers are not permitted.

**Administration makes the determination as to what is disruptive or immodest on campus. Student dress code offences are sent to the office to arrange for a change of clothes and/or disciplinary actions.**

Consequences for violation of the dress code may include, but are not limited to a change of clothing.

*Detention and parent contact
*Saturday school and parent contact
*Suspension

**Do Not Bring These Items to Frank Augustus Miller:**

• Weapons and replica weapons
• Illegal substances and paraphernalia including but not limited to alcohol, drugs, tobacco products and vape products
• No valuables or large amounts of money – **FAMMS is not responsible for any lost or stolen personal items.**
• Food or drink items may not be brought to school for the purpose of sharing or selling. The only food or drink that students may have at school is for their own lunch or snack.
• A parent/guardian may not deliver lunch for anyone other than their own child.
• Permanent markers are not allowed on campus
• No gum on campus
Incident For Suspension
Education Code 48900

a.1 Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person. *
a.2 Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except in self-defense. *
b. Possessed, sold or otherwise furnished any firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object. *
c. Unlawfully possessed, used, sold or otherwise furnished, or been under the influence of a controlled substance. *
d. Unlawfully offered, arranged or negotiated to sell a controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant of any kind, and either sold, delivered, or otherwise furnished to a person an imitation. *
e. Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion.
f. Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property. *
g. Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property. *
h. Possessed or used tobacco or products containing tobacco or nicotine products.
i. Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity.
j. Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell drug paraphernalia.
k. Disrupted school activities, or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of school personnel.
l. Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.
m. Possessed an imitation firearm.
n. Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault, or sexual battery.
o. Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a pupil who is a complaining witness or witness in a school disciplinary proceeding.
p. Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.
q. Engaged in, or attempted to engage in, hazing.
r. Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act.
t. Aided or abetted the infliction of physical injury to another person.
48900.2 Committed sexual harassment. (Grades 4-12 only)
48900.3 Caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause or participated in an act of, hate violence. (Grades 4-12 only)
48900.4 Intentionally harassed, threatened, or intimidated, creating a hostile educational environment. (Grades 4-12 only)
48900.7 Made terrorist threats against school officials and/or school property (Grades 4-12 only)

Report MUST be filed. (1) Indicates Law Enforcement notification only when serious injury. (2) Indicates Law Enforcement only if deadly weapon, fixed blade knife, open blade, or knife blade is > 2 ½”.
(3) Indicates Law Enforcement MUST be notified.
**Student Mobile Device Contract**

### Access to Student Mobile Devices
- The term “student mobile device” refers to devices, batteries, and power cord/charger.
- Like textbooks, student mobile devices are considered to be essential learning tools.
- Student mobile devices are on loan to students and remain the property of RUSD.
- All student mobile devices are labeled with an RUSD barcode label. This label **MUST NOT** be removed. Students may be charged a fine up to the replacement cost of the device for tampering with this label.
- The student to whom the mobile device is checked out is responsible for appropriate use of the device at all times. This means that if others use the student device to break the rules, the student may still be held responsible.
- Students are expected to keep the mobile devices in good condition. Failure to do so may result in bills for repair or replacement.
- Students are expected to report any damage to their student mobile devices as soon as possible. This means no later than the next school day.

### Content and Privacy
- All users are accountable to all school, district, local, state, and federal laws.
- All data stored on student mobile devices, the RUSD network, and Google Apps servers are property of RUSD and may be subject to review and monitoring at any time.
- Additional user accounts created on the student mobile device are subject to the same terms and conditions as the assigned student user.
- Students are expected to notify a school staff member immediately if they come across information, images, or messages that are inappropriate, dangerous, threatening, or make them feel uncomfortable.
- Students who identify or know about a security problem are expected to convey the details to school staff.

### General Policies
- All students are allowed access to mobile student devices and electronic resources unless the school is notified in writing by the parent/guardian.
- All users of the RUSD network and equipment must comply at all times with the Riverside Unified School District board approved Acceptable Use Policy. RUSD’s network is a public network.
- Users are accountable to all school, district, local, state, & federal laws.
- Failure to comply with these terms may result in disciplinary action and the confiscation of the student mobile device.
- Damages will be assessed when the devices are returned and fines will be charged for any applicable damages.
- Insurance may be purchased. See Miller website for details.
Bring Your Own Device Policy

Miller Middle School participates in the RUSD Bring Your Own Device policy. This policy allows each student to bring a personal technology device to school each day. Please read through the Frequently Asked Questions below to discover more about Miller’s policy.

Doesn’t Miller already provide individual devices for every student? Yes, Miller does provide devices and will continue to provide devices. However, many parents have requested to opt out of the Miller device program and to allow students to bring their own device from home.

Why would a parent provide a device from home if the school continues to provide devices?
- Students are more likely to take care of a device brought from home. They are less likely to lose their personal device. They treat personal devices with more care and are less likely to break something their parents have purchased.
- Some parents prefer to select the devices the students will use each day. If a device is broken, lost, or stolen parents will not receive a bill from the school. Many times personal devices brought to school cost less than the school provided device.

What types of devices are allowed?
Personal devices can include a tablet, laptop or Chromebook. **Cell phones are not an acceptable device used in our classrooms.** From the perspective of affordability, Chromebooks are effective devices and are easily integrated into our school program and have shown to be reliable and durable devices.

What are the hardware and software considerations?
Devices that are brought to school need to be able to connect to the school’s wireless network. Additionally, devices need to have storage capability of at least 8 GB. **No additional software is needed.** Miller MS uses Google Docs to store student work. This is a web based system.

Who is responsible for the device students bring?
The personal devices will be purchased by and remain the property of the family. Students are responsible for their personal device at all times. Miller staff is not able to support or repair the personal devices. Families must stress the responsibilities their children have when bringing their own devices to school. Miller is not able to search personal property for lost or stolen devices nor is there any assumption of financial responsibility by Miller for damaged, lost or stolen devices. Insurance for personal device may be purchased. See the Miller website for details.
Student Textbook Contract

Please read the following information carefully.
Textbooks are expensive to replace!

Please read below. By checking out these textbooks it is now your responsibility to return them in good condition. Payment is required for lost or damaged material. Many textbooks cost more than $70 each.

PLEASE:

• Do not leave them in classrooms, or with friends. They are likely to disappear or be damaged by someone else. Students are responsible for all damage even when not in their possession.

• Teachers are not responsible for textbooks. Look through the books and return any that have existing damage right away. We will make a note of it or issue you a new book. Without the notation students may be held responsible for all prior damage at the end of the school year.

NOTE:

• Do not attach book covers with tape
• Do not use sticky book covers
• Do not write in books (except to write student name on the inside front cover).

• Fines will be applied for books which have damage to the cover or pages. Fines will also be applied for torn pages or writing in the book. Liquid damage usually results in the health hazard of mold and requires a fee of the full cost of the book for replacement. (Don’t leave the book in the rain, or carry it in a backpack alongside a container of juice or water...) All books are to be returned at the end of the school year or when a student transfers to another school.

Parent/guardian and student acknowledges that they have read the above information and will keep the textbooks in good condition and acknowledge that a fine is assessed for lost or damaged textbooks.

*This serves as the parent copy of the signed agreement in the Aeries Parent Portal.
SCIENCE SAFETY

Science is a hands-on class. Safety in the science classroom is the #1 priority for students, teachers, and parents. To ensure a safe science classroom, a list of rules has been developed and provided to you in this student safety contract. Additional safety instructions will be given for each lab.

1. Follow all written and verbal directions carefully. Ask questions if you do not understand the directions.
2. No horseplay! Appropriate behavior and use of equipment is required at all times.
3. Do not touch anything in a science room until instructed to do so.
4. Eating, drinking, and chewing gum is not allowed. Never taste or smell anything during a lab unless told to do so.
5. Wear goggles when indicated – No Exceptions to this Rule!
7. Perform only those experiments authorized by the teacher.
8. Learn where the safety equipment is located (fire blankets, extinguishers, & eyewash) and learn how to use it. Know where exits are located and what to do in the case of a fire drill.
9. Dress properly – long hair must be tied back, no dangling jewelry or loose or baggy clothing.
10. Accidents happen-Report all accidents and/or injuries to your teacher immediately.
11. Clean, rinse, & wipe dry all work surfaces and equipment at the end of the lab. Return all equipment to its proper place. Follow directions for the disposal of lab materials.
12. Keep hands away from face, eyes, mouth, & body when using chemicals, preserved specimens, plants, or animals. Wash hands with soap & water after cleanup is done.
*No system of rules can provide for every situation.

SCIENCE SAFETY AGREEMENT

I have read & agree to follow all of the safety rules set forth in this contract. I realize that I must obey these rules to insure my own safety, & that of my fellow students & teachers. I am aware that any violation of this safety contract may result in being removed from the lab, detention, and/or further disciplinary action.

Dear Parent/Guardian, We feel that you should be informed regarding the school’s effort to create & maintain a safe science class/lab environment. Please read the list of safety rules. No student will be permitted to perform lab activities unless this contract is signed by both the student and parent/guardian and is on file with the teacher. Your signature on this contract indicates that you have read this Student Safety Contract & are aware of the safety measures taken in the science classroom.

*This serves as the parent informational copy. The copy to be signed and returned to the school will be provided by your child’s Science teacher.
California’s Compulsory Attendance Law

Students need to be in school every day to receive the best possible education. Absenteeism is very costly, causes long-term problems for students, schools and our community. California’s Compulsory Attendance Law requires every person between the ages of 6 and 18 years of age to attend school full time everyday, unless the student has been legally exempted or has graduated from high school.

It is very important that parents/guardians understand that the reason provided for the absence either orally or in a written note, only provides the reason for the absence and that this information does not in and of itself excuse the absence. Only authorized district personnel determine if an absence shall be considered to be excused or unexcused.

If a student is absent for any of the following reasons, school personnel may determine the absence to be excused:

- Illness or injury to the student (Not to exceed 10 days per school year without a physician’s note per RUSD Administrative Regulation 5113). Any excess of 10 absences or more in the school year without verification by a physician’s note or authorized school personnel will be considered unexcused absences.
- Medical, dental, optometric, or chiropractic appointments for the student verified by a doctor’s note or authorized designee.
- Attendance at a funeral for a member of the student’s immediate family.
- Evidence of head lice. (Re-examination by a school nurse or authorized school personnel within 24 hours after the date indicated on the Health Treatment Agreement form required for lice.) Any absences after failing to follow this procedure will be considered unexcused.

California’s Compulsory Attendance Law requires parents/guardians to verify all student absences by either a note or telephone call to the school within 3 days of the student’s return to school. This verification shall include:

1. The student’s full name
2. The date(s) of absence
3. The specific reason for the absence
4. The name and relationship of the person providing the information
5. The date when the verification was made
Students who are absent for excusable reasons, as listed above, are not penalized under the Compulsory Attendance Law. However, students who accumulate unexcused absences are subject to discipline. A student who has been determined to be a truant, or who is irregular in attendance, or who is habitually insubordinate or disorderly at school, may be referred to the School Attendance Review Board (SARB). The student may also be involuntarily transferred to an alternative school program. In addition, students who exhibit poor attendance can be referred to attend school on the weekends at a Saturday School. In severe cases, a student and his/her parent/guardian may be referred to the District Attorney for prosecution for failure to attend school.

Parents have the right to meet with the appropriate school administrator or counselor to discuss alternative placement or solutions to your student's attendance problems. It is our sincere hope that actions and resources can be found to ensure your child's regular attendance and success in school.
FRANK AUGUSTUS MILLER MIDDLE SCHOOL
TARDY POLICY

Students arriving after 7:30 AM report directly to the attendance office
outside windows. Unexcused tardies to school have the following consequences:

1 -2 tardies = warning
3 tardies = phone call home
4 tardies = Lunch Detention
5 tardies = Wednesday or Saturday School
6 tardies = Parent Meeting Scheduled

TRUANCY CONSEQUENCES

A student is considered truant from a class when the student is physically out of the class without staff permission or a pass.

Period truancies will have the following consequences:
1 Period: Sat./Wed. school/phone call to parent or guardian
2 or more: Administration decision/phone call to parent/guardian

Attendance Matters!

Research shows that having consistent attendance at school positions a student to achieve academically in a great and powerful way. Please make every effort to send your child to school daily.

If possible, schedule medical/dental appointments after school hours. Wednesday afternoons is a great time to schedule appointments. If your child is absent, it is important to clear absences with a parent note or a phone call to the attendance office.

Chronic Absence is absence from school for 10% or more of the number of school days a student has attended. If children don’t show up for school regularly, they miss out on fundamental skills and the chance to build a habit of good attendance that will carry them into college and careers. Preliminary data from a California study found that children who were chronically absent in kindergarten and 1st grade were far less likely to read proficiently at the end of 3rd grade. Students in grades 4-12 who are chronically absent are much more likely to fail their classes and drop out of school. Please make every effort to assure your child is in school every day!

If absences are not cleared within 3 days, student may be assigned Saturday School and parent may receive a District truancy letter.
Riverside Unified School District
Acceptable Use Policy for Student of Technology Resources
(Based on Rules and Regulations #6163.4)

The handbook is located at: http://riversideunified.org.

Riverside Unified School District (RUSD or District) is pleased to offer students access to district computers, communications systems (email, web sites, smart phones, blogging, podcasting and/or other emerging technologies), the Internet and an array of technology resources to promote educational excellence and innovation. While using District and personal technology resources on or near school property, in school vehicles and buses, at school-sponsored activities, as well as using district technology resources via off-campus remote access, each student must act in an appropriate manner consistent with school, district, and legal guidelines. It is the joint responsibility of school personnel and the parent or guardian of each student to educate the student about his/her responsibilities and to establish expectations when using technology.

Access to RUSD technology resources is provided to students who agree to act in a considerate and responsible manner. Prior to being allowed access to the Internet at school or through technology resources provided through RUSD, students and their parents must sign the RUSD Acceptable Use Consent Form acknowledging their responsibilities. Students must comply with RUSD standards and honor this agreement to be permitted the use of RUSD technology.

RUSD technology resources are provided to students to conduct research, access curriculum resources, enhance parent involvement, complete assignments, and communicate with others in furtherance of their education. Access is a privilege, not a right; as such, general rules of school behavior apply. Just as students are responsible for good behavior in a classroom or on school grounds, they must also be responsible when using school computer networks or personal technologies.

If a student violates any of these rules, his/her use shall be terminated and future access may be denied. Disciplinary action may also result. If possible criminal activity is discovered; the proper law enforcement authorities will be notified. Disciplinary action for students shall be in accordance with existing discipline policies and may include suspension or expulsion in accordance with the laws of the State of California and RUSD policy.
1. RUSD technology resources shall be only used to access educational information and to promote learning activities both at school and home, including the facilitation of communication between the home and school.

2. Students shall not load personal software or programs on District computers nor shall they download programs from the Internet without the approval of their instructor.

3. Virtual and physical vandalism shall not be tolerated. Any intentional act by a student that damages or interferes with performance of District technology hardware, software, operating systems, communication systems, will be considered vandalism and will be subject to school discipline and/or appropriate criminal or civil action.

4. Not all access to the Internet can be supervised. Students agree not to send, access, submit, publish, display or print over the Internet or RUSD network, or using RUSD technology resources, any defamatory, inaccurate, abusive, obscene, profane, sexually oriented, threatening, offensive or illegal material. Cyber bullying is specifically prohibited. It shall be the student’s responsibility to report the inappropriate use, website, or communication to the student’s teacher or other staff member.

5. The use of RUSD technology resources is not private; students should not expect that files stored on or transmitted via the District’s resources will be confidential. All digital transmissions are subject to inspection and/or monitoring by District employees and other officials. Digital storage is RUSD property, and as such, network administrators will review files and communications to maintain system integrity and ensure that students are using technology responsibly.

6. RUSD denies any responsibility for the accuracy of information obtained from the Internet or on-line resources.

7. RUSD makes no warranties of any kind, expressed or implied, for the technology resources it provides to students.

8. Copyright ©, Trademark ™ and/or Registered ® laws must be adhered to at all times. All materials from the Internet and other digital resources, including graphics, which are used in student projects or reports, must be properly cited. Copyrighted, Trademarked or Registered materials may not be placed on the Internet without the permission of the author.

9. Students shall not post or transmit their own or other’s personal information such as home addresses, telephone numbers, last names, photos or other personal identifying information.

10. The use of District technology resources may involve the use of a password, network access code or other identifying or validating
code. Such passwords and codes are to protected as private information provided to the individual user for their sole purpose. Such passwords and codes shall not be disclosed by the student to others.

11. Students shall not use District technology resources to conduct for-profit business activities or to engage in religious activities. Students shall not use District technology resources for advertising, promotion commercial purposes or similar objectives, including the purchase of any items or services.

12. Students may bring personal technology, including computers, smart phones, network access devices, or other electronic signaling devices to school provided that such technology is used for instructional purposes. Students shall abide by the instructions provided by teachers and other school staff in the use of such personal technologies. Access to the Internet or other District communication systems from personal technology is limited to wireless access points on the school campuses or other access devices away from school. Access to the Internet or other District communication systems from personal technology is not available via hardwire connections.

Consequences of Misuse and/or Violation of the Provisions of this Agreement

Misuse of personal or District and personal technology resources on or near school property, in school vehicles and buses, at school-sponsored activities, as well as using district technology resources via off-campus remote access, may result in disciplinary action up to and including expulsion from the schools of the District. This Agreement shall be used in conjunction with RUSD Board of Education policies, California Education Code, and other local, state and federal laws and regulations governing the applicable matter.

Students, parents and guardians should recognize that the nature of the use of District technology resources extends outside of the school itself and into off-campus remote locations such as homes. The District’s jurisdiction to enforce student behavior and discipline policies and rules shall apply whether the misuse or violation is at school or away from school as long as the District’s technology resources are being used in the inappropriate behavior.

January 19, 2010
Limitation of Liability

Riverside Unified School District shall not be responsible for any damages suffered by the student, including those arising from non-deliveries, misdeliveries, service interruptions, unauthorized use, loss of data, and exposure to potentially harmful or inappropriate material or people. Use of any information obtained via the Internet or communications technologies is at the student's own risk. Riverside Unified School District specifically denies any responsibility for the accuracy or quality of information obtained through the Internet. The District assumes no liability for personal technology, including computers, smart phones, network access devices, or other electronic signaling devices, if such devices are damaged, lost or stolen. The student and his/her parent/guardian shall indemnify and hold Riverside Unified School District harmless from any losses sustained as the result of use or misuse of the district’s technology resources by the student, and/or the loss of damage of personal technology.

Agreement

I/we hereby agree to comply with the Riverside Unified School District Acceptable Use Policy, as described above. As a parent or guardian, I hereby consent to my child’s or ward’s use of RUSD technology resources. I/we also agree to hold RUSD harmless for any damages suffered by my child/ward, including those arising from non-deliveries, misdeliveries, service interruptions, unauthorized use, loss of data, and exposure to potentially harmful or inappropriate material of people arising from or connected to the use of RUSD technology resources.

*Please note this is a form that parents complete in the Aeries Parent Portal, this is the parent copy.
Aeries Parent Portal Directions

CLICK HERE to go to the Aeries Parent Portal

CLICK HERE for Directions to create a Parent Portal Account

Aeries Parent Portal Reset Password

CLICK HERE to go to the Aeries Parent Portal

Forgot Password?

You can click on the Forgot Password? Link; this will initiate a process that will reset your password. You must have access to the email address that was used to setup the .NET Parent-Student Portal account to reset your password.
Champions at Frank Augustus Miller Middle School

Visit the Champions website at www.discoverchampions.com
Enter the 92504 zip code in the search bar.

Activities include:
- Dedicated and Supervised Homework Time
- Organized Games
- Fitness and Team Sports

Champions 2021-2022 Hours and Pricing

After School Dismissal until 6:00 PM

Full Time (3-5 days): $78.50/week
Part Time (1-2 days): $53.00/week
Registration Fee: $50 individual or $100 family
10% Discount: Sibling, Military, or RUSD employee

One Hour Following School Dismissal

1 day per week: $10.50  2 days per week: $21.00
3 days per week: $31.00  4 days per week: $41.50
5 days per week: $51.50

CLICK HERE to Register

*Please be aware that the Champions program is subject to change based on RUSD Covid-19 policies. Updates to be provided as available.
School Rules

Macaws...

➢ Take Care of Yourself
➢ Take Care of Each Other
➢ Take Care of the School

Macaws are....

1. Caring
2. Connected
3. Committed
4. Collaborative