## Dear Ridge Community,

On Monday, October 31, 2022, we will celebrate Halloween at Ridge. In the afternoon, students will have the opportunity to dress in their costumes and parade around the school in our annual Halloween Parade. Parents are invited to view the parade from the front of the school beginning at 1:30 pm. Understanding that some families may prefer that their children not participate in this activity, please know that dressing in costume is optional and at the discretion of the individual families. For students who choose not to participate, an alternative activity will be available.

The lunch period will be 12 - 1 pm, and we are encouraging students to go home or go home with a friend for lunch so that they can change into their costumes. Remember to email or write a lunch note to tell your child's teacher if they are going home for lunch, and if they will walk or get picked up. If your child will go home with a friend, please note who will be picking your child up. Also remember to carefully follow Red Zone rules, and understand that there will not be crossing guards at this time. Students who remain at school will have lunch together during that period, and they will have the opportunity to change into their costumes, should they choose to.

For school, please refrain from gruesome, violent or vulgar costumes. Toy weapons of any kind are not permitted. Masks must allow for unrestricted vision.

Our Halloween Parade will start at 1:30 –If you plan to attend the parade (drizzle or shine) plan to park on the street and walk to school. We look forward to a fun and safe Halloween at school.

Children will then return to their classrooms to watch a Leadership Council safety Halloween video and celebrate Halloween.

Sincerely,

## Michael Piacenza

Michael Piacenza, Principal