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Riverbend Invites Dads to School on Monday for Million Father March

Springfield, Ore. – Riverbend Elementary School is inviting fathers and grandfathers to bring students to school on Monday, September 14, to have a conversation about how they can get more involved at the school. All who attend can enter to win a gift card.

What: Million Father March
Where: Riverbend Elementary School, 320 51st St., Springfield
When: Monday, September 21, 8–9 a.m.

“We want to encourage all the male role models in our students’ lives to join us on Monday morning to visit,” says Principal Dave Hulbert.

Fathers, uncles, grandfathers are invited to come to the school between 8 and 8:20 to have a cup of coffee and a snack to meet some of the other men. At 8:35, all will be invited to the gym to connect with Hulbert about ways they can support their child’s education and get involved in the Riverbend community.

Hulbert said the idea was sparked by the national Million Father March campaign, which encourages men to take a greater role in their children’s education.

Hulbert offers a number of ways that parents can get involved at school:

- Help out in the morning as a crossing guard.
- Help at recess, supervising or playing with kids.
- Help with cafeteria supervision during breakfast (between 8 and 8:30) or at lunch.
- Chaperone a field trip.
- Help beautify the campus by cleaning up litter or pulling weeds.
- Help greet students in the morning with a smile and positive word as they enter the building.
- Join the PTA to help coordinate fundraisers and events. Meetings are monthly on the 3rd Thursday of the month.
- Be a mentor.

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