

**STUDENT SAFETY
IDENTIFICATION CARDS**

The Ringwood Board of Education believes that the use of identification cards by students serves to enhance student safety. Effective with the 2024 school year, identification cards may be utilized to identify students in middle and high schools at the discretion of each school. All identification cards will be clearly marked "FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY" upon the face of the document.

In schools that choose to require student identification cards, the cards will be utilized to identify students. Students must display identification cards above the waistline at all times, including when boarding school buses. The identification cards will be issued free of charge. However, replacement cards will cost \$2.00 each.

Penalties for failure to display identification cards are:

1. First and Second Offense: warning and temporary identification card issued.
2. Third and Additional Offense: parent contact and required purchase of replacement identification card.

Beginning July 1, 2023, student identification cards shall contain the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, which can be accessed by calling or texting 988 and the Crisis Text Line, which can be accessed by texting HOME to 7417841. If the district has an supply of unissued student identification cards that do not contain the above, the district may issue the non-compliant student identification cards until such supply is depleted.