



RIVERVIEW HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear **Royals** and **Families**,

We hope you are enjoying a great summer. In a few short weeks, we look forward to welcoming our Royals to a new school year! Whether you are new to RHS, planning your grad year, or somewhere in between, we hope that 2021-2022 is a year full of accomplishments and successes. With the release of the provincial plan last Friday for ensuring student and staff health and safety, we can now share with you some of our plans for the first days of school.

Healthy and Safe Schools

As a staff, we had been anxiously awaiting the update from the province to find out the plans for this school year. Although this year will still be a little different due to public health measures, we are excited to have all Royals attending school each day and for a more normal return of extracurricular activities. For more details on the guidelines we must follow as a school, please visit:

<https://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/ed/pdf/2021-22-guidelines.pdf>

We will share with students and families the most important points from this document and how they apply to our Royals on Friday, September 3rd.

First Days of School

Although we are returning to a more regular school year, we still want to spend some extra time in the first days of school to help our Royals settle in and transition to a successful year. We can best do this with less students in the building so we can focus our attention on smaller groups. To do this, students will attend two days of school during the first week of classes. Our schedule for the first week will be:

Tuesday, September 7th – Only grade 9 Royals attend

Wednesday, September 8th – Only grade 10 Royals attend

Thursday, September 9th – Only grade 11 and 12 Royals attend

Friday, September 10th – All Royals attend

On the first day, students in grade 9 are to be in the school theatre by 8:35 AM and students in grades 10, 11, and 12 are expected to be in their homeroom by 8:35 AM. Students can find their homeroom by looking at lists posted outside the cafeteria and the main office. The school opens to begin receiving students who walk or travel by personal transportation at 8:00 AM.

Daily Schedule and Bells

Our daily schedule is available on the school web site at:

<https://secure1.nbed.nb.ca/sites/ASD-E/schools/rhsroyals/Pages/Daily-Schedule.aspx>

First period begins at 9:05 AM on Monday and Friday and 8:35 AM on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. These alternating start times allow teachers to collaborate and provide additional support to students in their learning; both which will be valuable after the interruptions during these last two years. On Mondays and Fridays, students are encouraged to arrive at school at the same time as Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. We will offer various activities and supports for students during this time. Bus pick-up and arrival times are the same each day of the week.

Parent and Student Portal

The parent and student portal will be available beginning Tuesday, August 31st at 4:00 PM. This portal provides you with access to view student schedules, attendance, and report card grades. Access to the portal will be the same as last year. If you do not already have access to the portal, students will bring home a letter early in September with login information. For more information, please visit:

<https://asdeast.nbed.ca/power-school/>

Student Schedules

Students will be able to view their schedule via the Parent and Student Portal or receive a printed copy on their first day of school. We will share details on how grade 10, 11, and 12 students can request course changes during our first days of school. Grade 9 students follow a common program and cannot request changes.

Microsoft Office 365 and School Computer Account

High school students will continue to regularly use their Microsoft Office 365 and school computer account. A student's username and password are the same as they were last year. If a student has forgotten their login information, their homeroom teacher can provide it to them on their first day of school.

Student Electronic Devices

All high school students are required to again have an electronic device at school to engage in their learning. Information on this requirement, including eligibility for subsidies to purchase a device and device specifications, can be found at:

https://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/services/services_renderer.201514.Laptop_Subsidy_Program.html

School Supplies

With the use of personal electronic devices, we are asking for a minimum amount of school supplies. All students should bring a small amount of paper, pens, and pencils during the first days of school in addition to their electronic device. Teachers will provide more detailed information on any specific supplies needed for their class.

First Day for Staff

The first day for staff will be Monday, August 30th and our normal office hours (8:00AM-4:00PM) will recommence on Tuesday, August 31st. Until that time, we only have one staff person working in the office so hours are reduced. As per the provincial plan for health and safety, visitors to the school must make an appointment before coming into the school.

Once again, we want to welcome our Royals to a new school year. We look forward to welcoming them in person soon! Enjoy these last days of summer.

Take care,
RHS Staff