Sussex Regional High School



Student Handbook

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Mission: Sussex Regional High School strives to support and educate the whole learner by creating a positive, inclusive environment where each person is accountable, respectful, involved and proud of their school community.

Motto: Vincit qui se vincit (To conquer, one must conquer oneself)

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School Calendar:

		2023 – 2024
MONTH	DATES	EVENTS
September	5	First Day of Classes – Staggered Entry for Kindergarten, Grades 6 & 9
		➤ Sept. 5 & 6 - All Kindergarten children will enter school through a staggered entry
		process with half of the students attending each day. (Schools will be in touch with
		parents with their scheduled time).
		➤ Sept. 5 – All Grades 1-5 students begin school
		➤ Sept. 5 – All Grades 6 & 9 students begin school
		➤ Sept. 6 – All Grades 7-8; 10-12 students begin school
		In schools with multiple levels (K-8, 6-12, K-12) transition for Grade 6 & 9 may look
		different depending on size and number of feeder schools.
	22	Desitive Learning Environment Day NO CLASSES
Octobou	1	Positive Learning Environment Day – NO CLASSES
October	2	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation Day – NO CLASSES
	10-13	Thanksgiving Day – NO CLASSES Registration for Students Extering Kindergerton in 2022, 24
		Registration for Students Entering Kindergarten in 2023-24
	13	School Improvement Planning Day – NO CLASSES
November	3	Professional Learning - District Based – NO CLASSES
	13	Remembrance Day Holiday – NO CLASSES
	20	Report Cards Issued 9-12
	24	K-8 – NO CLASSES (Professional Learning)
		9-12 – NO CLASSES (Parent Teacher Interviews and Professional Learning)
December	4	Report Cards Issued K-8
	8	K-8 – NO CLASSES (Parent Teacher Interviews and Professional Learning)
	22	Last Day of Classes (Half Day for students)
	25-30	Holidays – NO CLASSES
January	1-5	Holidays – NO CLASSES
	8	First Day for Students
	22-26	Assessment/Demonstration of Learning – High School Only
	29	Turnaround Day – High School Only (No School for High School Students)
	30	Turnaround Day – High School Only (No School for High School Students)
F 1	31	Semester 2 Begins and Report Cards Issued - High School Only
February	19	Family Day – NO CLASSES
March	4-8	March Break – NO CLASSES
	25	K-8 Full Day – NO CLASSES (Professional Learning)
	29	Good Friday – NO CLASSES
April	1	Easter Monday – NO CLASSES
	11	Report Cards Issued K-12
	15	K-12 - NO CLASSES (Parent/Teacher Interviews and Professional Learning)
May	3	NBTA Council Day – Provincial – NO CLASSES
	6	NBTA Branch Meeting Day – NO CLASSES
	20	Victoria Day – NO CLASSES
June	10-14	Assessment/Demonstration of Learning - High School Only
	25	K-12 Last Day for Students – Final Report Card Day

Bell Schedule:

Traditional Bell Schedule

Monday - Friday			
Period 1	8:35 – 9:30		
Break	9:30 – 9:40		
Period 2	9:40 – 10:35		
Break	10:35 – 10:40		
Sonic Seminar	10:40 – 11:05		
Break	11:05 – 11:15		
Period 3	11:15 – 12:10		
Lunch	12:10 – 1:10		
Period 4	1:10 – 2:05		
Break	2:05 – 2:15		
Period 5	2:15 – 3:10		

One Hour Bus Delay Schedule

Sonic Seminar	8:35 – 9:25
Movement	9:25 – 9:30
Period 1	9:30 – 10:20
Break	10:20 – 10:30
Period 2	10:30 – 11:20
Break	11:20 – 11:30
Period 3	11:30 – 12:20
Lunch	12:20 – 1:20
Period 4	1:20 – 2:10
Break	2:10 – 2:20
Period 5	2:20 – 3:10

Guidance: Mrs. Cameron and Mrs. Douglas

Students can schedule appointments to see an available guidance counselor in the guidance area. All students must make an appointment to see a guidance counselor. Students are encouraged to review information pertaining to graduation requirements, scholarship information and course registration in the guidance area.

Course registration formally begins early second semester. Information sessions for both students and families will be offered. The course registration handbook can be found on our website.

New Brunswick High School Graduation Requirements

Graduates of 2024 and 2025

Minimum of 18 credits which include the following 8 compulsory courses:

- English grade 11 Literary Texts and Informational Texts (2 courses, 2 credits total)
- English grade 12 (1 credit)
- 2 credited math courses (2 credits)
- History (1 credit) from:
 - Modern History
 - Indigenous Studies
 - World Issues
- Science (1 credit) from:
 - Automotive Electrical Systems 120
 - Biology 11
 - Chemistry 11
 - Human Physiology 110
 - Introduction to Electronics 110

Canadian History

Ancient and Medieval History

- Introduction to Environmental Science 120
- Physics 11
- Physical Geography 110
- Robotics and Automated Technology 120
- Fine Arts/Life Role Development (1 credit) from:
 - Automotive Electrical Systems 120
 - Cooperative Education 120
 - Culinary Technology 110
 - Culinary Technology 120
 - Electrical Wiring 110
 - Entrepreneurship 110
 - Framing and Sheathing 110
 - Goals, Growth & Grit: Skills for Success
 120
 - Graphic Art & Design 110
 - Housing and Interior Design 120
 - Individual and Family Dynamics 120
 - Internal Combustion Engines 110
 - Introduction to Applied Tech 110
 - Metals Fabrication 110

- Metals Processing 110
- Metals Processing 120
- Mill and Cabinet Work 120
- Music 11/12
- Outdoor Pursuits 110
- Physical Education Leadership 120
- Power Train and Chassis 110
- Reading Tutor 120
- Residential Finish 120
- Theatre Arts 120
- Tune-up and Emissions 120
- Visual Arts 11/12
- Wellness through Physical Education 110
- > Students must have an English 12 and a minimum of four other grade 12 credits.
- > Students must meet the requirements of the prescribed common curriculum of the 9/10 program as outlined in the Grade 9/10 Companion Document.
- Success on the English Language Proficiency Assessment (ELPA) is required.

Graduates of 2026 and Beyond

To graduate students will need to accumulate a minimum of 100 credit hours. Each course found in our course catalogue is equivalent to 4 credit hours, except for Cooperative Education which counts for 8 credit hours. The following are the graduation requirements broken down by category.

- 18 Required Courses from 5 core clusters (72 credit hours)
 - o 6 courses from the Language Arts and Languages cluster:
 - PIF 10 or FILA 10 are required.
 - English 10 Foundational is required.
 - English 11 Foundational is required.
 - English 12 Foundational is required.
 - o 2 courses from the Humanities cluster:
 - Civics 10 is required.
 - 1 course from the Designated History Course is required
 - o 3 courses from the Mathematics cluster:
 - Geometry Measurement and Finance 10 is required
 - o 2 courses from the Science cluster.
 - o 5 courses from the Personal Well-Being cluster:
 - 1 course from the Creative Arts cluster.
 - 1 course from the Wellness and Physical Education cluster.
 - 1 course from the Career-Connected cluster.
 - 2 additional courses from the Personal Well-Being category.
- 2 Additional Courses (8 Credit Hours) from any of the core clusters listed below:
 - Language Art and Languages
 - o Humanities
 - o Mathematics
 - o Science

- Creative Arts
- Wellness and Physical Education
- o Career-Connected
- 5 Additional Courses (20 Credit Hours) from any option for credit.
 - o Up to 8 credit hours from Challenge for Credit Courses.
 - o Up to 4 credit hours from Independent Study Courses.
 - o Up to 8 credit hours from Locally Developed Courses.
- French Immersion students must complete 50% of their Grade 9 curriculum in French and 10 courses (40 credit hours) in French at the Grades 10-12 level.
- Successful rating the on English Language Proficiency Assessment

The Work Room – Career Development Center:

The work room provides one on one support to students and community members in the following areas:

- Job search tips
- Career search assistance
- Resume and cover letter writing
- Post-secondary training and opportunities
- Scholarship information

Hours of operation: 8:30 - 4:30 on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday

Website: http://www.careersthatwork.ca/

Resource Team:

We have four teachers and a team of educational assistants working in our building to support our students. If you have a question about the supports, your student is receiving please feel free to reach out to one of the following individuals by phone or through email.

Mrs. Folkins (SPR)

Mrs. Henry

Mr. Folkins

Mrs. Bromley

Emergency Procedures:

Students and staff will practice fire drills, bus evacuations, lock downs, and evacuation procedures within the school year.

Academic Protocols:

PowerSchool

Students and families can keep abreast of their academic progress by checking their grades and attendance online. If you would like access to the program, please contact our Administrative Assistants.

Report Cards

Formal report cards are issued twice each semester. Families and students are encouraged to check PowerSchool on a regular basis to be informed of academic progress throughout the semester.

Academic Distinction

At SRHS we celebrate the academic achievements of our students in several ways. To be considered students must not have an INC as a final grade in any of their courses.

- 1. At the end of each school year student averages are calculated to determine academic standing. The top 15 overall averages in each grade level are recognized.
- 2. In grade 12 the title of Honours and Honours with Distinction are awarded to our eligible graduates. To achieve **Honours** a student must have attained a minimum overall average of 80% in their credited courses where marks are awarded. To achieve **Honours with Distinction** a student must have attained a minimum overall average of 90% in their credited courses where marks are awarded.
- 3. The title of Salutatorian and Valedictorian is awarded each year to a graduate based on the final average of all credited courses. The student with the highest academic standing will be the Valedictorian and the student with the second highest academic standing will be the Salutatorian.

Final Assessments

Final assessments will occur at the end of each semester. The format and value of the final assessment will be determined by the teacher and communicated to the students at the beginning of the semester.

SRHS Code of Conduct - Behavioral Standards and Expectations:

SRHS sets clear standards and expectations for behavior that aim to promote academic and behavioral success for all students in which learning, and safety are central. The behavior standards established by SRHS apply to all individuals within the building and are designed to create and maintain a positive learning and working environment. These expectations also hold true while students are traveling on the school bus, partaking in field trips or on any other school school-sponsored event. The implementation and enforcement of these expectations is a cooperative effort among students, sonic families, and the staff of SRHS. The roles and responsibilities of each member of the school community are critical to this process. The focus is on the development of positive student behavior; however, the school also has a mandate to protect the safety of all individuals within the school system, as outlined in Policy 703 the Positive Learning and Working Environment, and to take appropriate action whenever that safety is threatened or compromised.

SRHS Code of Conduct

Sonics are expected to contribute to the positive nature of the school by acting in a mature manner. Sonics are expected to always accept personal responsibility for their behavior and to follow the behaviors outlined below. The statements below are not an exhaustive list:

Personal Responsibilities of Our Sonics Include:

- 1. Always using school-appropriate language and behavior while maintaining friendly and courteous behaviors.
- 2. Attending all classes fully. This involves being in class or the designated location on time, with the appropriate materials, and ready to work.
- 3. Refraining from the possession of, or being under the influence of alcohol, drugs, tobacco and vaping products, and all other forms of intoxicants on school property or while representing SRHS.
- 4. Listening and responding appropriately to all staff members.

Social Responsibilities of Our Sonics Include:

- 1. Respecting and appreciating the diversity of all school members regardless of their race, culture, ethnicity, religion, creed, sex, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity, gender expression, physical or mental disability, age, socio-economic status, or appearance.
- 2. Respecting the rights, property, and safety of ourselves and others.
- 3. Refraining from all forms of bullying and cyberbullying, intimidation, racism, and discrimination.
- 4. Ensure the safety of others by refraining from inappropriate physical contact, which includes keeping our hands, feet, and other objects to yourselves.

Guiding Principles of Policy 703 - Positive Learning and Working Environment

A positive learning and working environment are one in which:

- everyone in the school community is treated with respect and dignity;
- policies, expectations, and practices are clearly communicated to everyone;
- sonic families, staff and the community understand that social skills, self-discipline, compassion, and ethics continue to be learned throughout life. Each of these partners³ plays a role in teaching appropriate behaviors through instruction and by example;
- students are educated about the expectations of the school learning community; and
- students are taught the skills, attitudes and values essential for success and are consistently required to demonstrate expected behaviors

Bullying

Bullying is not tolerated at SRHS. We have several ways in which students can report such incidents including an anonymous online form which is linked to our online homepage.

Vaping Policy

ASD-S has a system-wide comprehensive approach to reduce vaping on school property, school buses and within school buildings. Please refer to ASD-S website for more information.

General Information:

Student Fees:

An annual \$50.00 student is levied each year by the Student Leadership Team which funds many clubs, teams, assemblies, leadership activities, and scholarships.

Learning Commons:

Open for students to access each school day from 8:30 am – 4 pm. Students can use this space to complete assignments, eat lunch, and access computers and associated technology.

Attendance Matters

Students at Sussex Regional High School are expected to be in school, on time and prepared for class. Should a student be absent from school, it is their responsibility to get caught up on any work missed. It would be appreciated if families would contact the main office to inform of any student absence. The student will be required to plan with subject teachers to make up any missed assessments.

- A missed school day is a lost opportunity for students to learn.
- At 5 unexcused absences, a teacher will be contacting home to inform families of the missed time
- After 10 classes missed guidance and or administration will be contacting families to discuss future steps.

Respectful Use of Technology in the Classroom

Technology can, in certain situations, hinder instructional time or class conversation within the classroom. Students should only be using this technology when their teacher allows. At the minimum students will be expected to abide by the guidelines established in Policy 311. Misuse of technology will be addressed by the teacher, sonic families will be contacted, the device may have to be placed by the student in a secure and visible area until the end of the class and if the misuse continues the behavior will be dealt with in the office. Students will follow school wide technology expectations.

Assignments & Completing Work

Work and assignments are to be completed on time and passed in on the given due date. If students are unable to finish an assignment within the provided time, they are encouraged to speak with their teacher prior to the due date.