

August 2025



# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Aug. 26: School Fees Day for

Sec. 2 & 3 from 9am to noon

Aug. 26: School Fees Day for

Sec. 4 & 5 from 1pm to 4pm

Aug. 27: Sec.1 Orientation Day

Aug. 28: First Day of School

Sept. 1: Holiday

Sept. 19: Planning Day

Sept. 24: School Picture Day





# Welcome back!

On behalf of all Richmond Regional High School staff, we wish you a successful 2025-2026 school year. We would also like to extend a special welcome to students who will be attending RRHS for the first time! We look forward to following and supporting new and returning RRHS students in their education.

This newsletter contains pertinent information about our school and about the beginning of the school year. Therefore, we recommend that you read it carefully. During the first few weeks of school, we plan to meet with the students to review, explain and discuss the different procedures.

## **Cellphone Policy**

As announced by Education Minister Bernard Drainville in May, starting in the 2025–2026 school year, students will be required to leave their personal mobile devices in their lockers from the beginning of the first class to the end of the last class (8:50 a.m. – 3:10 p.m.).

Please find below a link to the RRHS Cell Phone Policy, which will take effect on August 28th, 2025.

We encourage you to review the new policy with your child.

RRHS – Cell Phone Policy

### 2025-2026 School Calendar

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for a copy of the school calendar. Please note that the first day of school (Thursday, August 28th) is a day 4.

## **Orientation Day**

On the morning of Wednesday, August 27th, all Secondary 1 students, students new to RRHS and parents are invited to an Orientation at Richmond Regional High School. Please meet in the Auditorium for 10am. There will be a warm welcome by administration followed by an introduction to the teachers and a guided tour of the school by staff and Secondary 5 students. Students will also receive their timetables and be assigned lockers.

A bus will be leaving Drummondville Elementary at 9:15 and one will leave A.D.S. in Danville at 9:30 to bring students and parents to RRHS. You can drive to RRHS if you prefer not to take advantage of the bus. It is the parent's responsibility to drive their son/daughter to and from the specific Elementary school to take the bus. Buses will leave at 12:00 noon to return to the Elementary schools.

Please note that this is also the opportunity for you to pay your child's school fees. We accept Debit, Credit, or Cash. We strongly recommend that you pay your child's school fees online.

\*\*\*It is important to note that if your child changes schools, you need to update your payee's reference number as they are specific to each school.\*\*\*\*\*\*

<u>CLICK HERE</u> for the online banking letter.

**CLICK HERE** for National Bank users.

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#### **School Fees**

For parents of Secondary 2 to 5 students, we will be having a pick out locker/bill paying day. See below for the schedule.

August 26th for Secondary 2 and 3 students from 9am to noon. August 26th for Secondary 4 and 5 students from 1pm to 4pm.

You are invited to pay school fees online. Please see above for instructions. If you are not able to pay online, we invite you to make a payment in person by Debit, Credit card, and Cash at the Main Office.

Please be advised that if you have more than one child in different levels, you are more than welcome to pay in person at the same time.

Invoices are available on the Parent Portal under the "Finance" tab. Please be advised that additional charges may be added or refunded throughout the year if your child's schedule changes.

\*\*\* As online payments take upwards to 3 days to arrive in our system, you MUST bring proof of payment (print screen or screen shot). By paying your school fees bills online, you will be able to skip the long line to pay at the office! \*\*\*

# **School Supplies**

For all levels, it is suggested you buy from experience and/or how you feel your child will be best organized (binders/duo tangs for handouts for each core course, with loose-leaf or notebook for notes. Pencil case with pens, pencils, highlighters, eraser, etc. And 2 combination locks). If there is anything specific needed, the teachers will let your child know during the first week of school.

# First Day of School

The first day of class for all students will be Thursday, August 28th and is a DAY 4. As soon as students arrive at school, they are to report directly to their first class. All schedules will be available on the Parent Portal before the first day of school. Secondary 1 students will have already received their schedules during the orientation visit on Wednesday, August 27th. Those who haven't accessed their schedule will obtain a copy from their first block teacher on August 28th.

#### **Student Notices**

Please note that the student notices contain a wealth of information about the day and any upcoming events. You can access the student notices from our website by <u>Clicking Here</u>.

## Address, Telephone and Email Changes

Please contact the school if you have a new address, a new telephone number, or email address. Also, if you have received this newsletter but your child is not returning to RRHS, please call the school so we can make the necessary changes to bus and class lists. Throughout the school year, it is important to keep us up to date of these changes

#### **Bus Passes**

Your child's bus pass will be available to print on the Parent Portal as of August 25th under the "Transportation" tab. Please verify the information on the pass and make sure your child is ready 10 minutes ahead of schedule. It is important to note that the bus passes will be issued in August and are subject to change.

The school buses will be functioning on the first day and if you have any questions or experience difficulties, please contact the Transportation Services of the Eastern Townships School Board at 819-826-3702 ext. 6. Mix-ups can occur on those first few days, and they need to be reported in order to be cleared up.

Please find a link below that will explain when and how to access information regarding bus passes for your child(ren) through the Parent Portal. If you are a first-time user of the Parent Portal, you must register first - please follow these instructions:

### Register to Parent Portal

\*\*Please also note that there will be no temporary bus passes issued, as in past years.

# **Physical Education Class**

All students must wear gym attire for the physical education classes.

### **Student Dress Guidelines**

All students are expected to come dressed appropriately for school. Shoes must be worn at all times. For safety reasons, shorts and short skirts are not permitted when using the machines in the shop areas. <a href="CLICK HERE">CLICK HERE</a> for the Dress Code Philosophy. It can also be found in our Code of Conduct, which is located on our school website.

### **Locks and Lockers**

Each student will need two combination locks: one for the main locker and one for the gym locker. Locks put on gym lockers must be removed at the end of class.

### **Catered Meals**

Starting on September 8th, we will once again be offering catered meals. Please see the link for more information.

Wishing you all a wonderful school year!