

ÉCOLE RIVERSIDE SECONDARY



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DECEMBER 2021

IMPORTANT DATES

Dec 14 – Winter concert
(Blocks 3&5)

Dec 15 – Last day to bring in
food hamper donations

Dec 17 - Last day for
fabric donations

Dec 17 – Last day of school

Dec 20 – Jan 3
Winter Break



Jan 4 – First day of
school

Jan 11 – Grad photo
Retakes

Jan 24 – Last Day of Sem 1

January 25-28
Customized Learning
Schedule – see page 2

Jan 31 – Pro D
(No classes)

Feb 1 – Semester 2
begins



A message from Riverside Admin:

Hello Riverside Community,

First off, an important announcement regarding our long-time VP Mr. JJ Hyde. Mr. Hyde has made an amazing contribution to the fabric of Riverside school... his 6½ years here will be fondly remembered for a long time to come. We get to keep him here for January, during which there will be opportunities to say farewell, and all the best in your new school as the Vice-Principal of Heritage Woods Secondary.

In this issue, you'll find an important schedule for the last week of January, as well as lots of other timely information. In addition, we put daily news items in our bulletin the "Rapid Read" ... easily accessed from our homepage.

Now that we are so close to the holidays, we in the Riverside Office would like to wish the teachers, support staff, students, families, and all other community members a very happy holiday!

It's so important that all of us take the time this holiday season to rest and relax, but also to be thankful for who we depend on the most. Enjoy the time with friends and family.

Warm Regards,

--Riverside Administration



Student Schedule for Week of January 24th-28th, 2022

Semester 1 ends on Monday, January 24th, with a normal Monday bell schedule.

From Tuesday to Friday, Jan 25-28, there are no classes for students – instead, we have scheduled important tasks for each grade level on specific days. These days are also available for students who have fallen behind to catch up on their work under the direction of teachers. Where there is no scheduled activity, your child is not expected to be at school.

Please refer to the calendar below according to your child’s grade level. Locations of activities will be communicated to the students closer to that week. Friday, January 28th is reserved for Grade 8 testing and the virtual “Walkabout”.

GRADE 9:

Monday Jan. 24	Tuesday Jan. 25	Wednesday Jan. 26	Thursday Jan. 27	Friday Jan. 28
Regular School Day	9am-11am: Grade 9 Math exam (if you had math in Sem 1)	No classes	12:00pm-3:00pm: ALL GRADE 9’s – Interviews and Digital Learning 10 meeting	No classes

GRADE 10:

Monday Jan. 24	Tuesday Jan. 25	Wednesday Jan. 26	Thursday Jan. 27	Friday Jan. 28
Regular School Day	1pm-3pm: Literacy 10 Assessment	9am-11am: Numeracy 10 Assessment	No Classes	No Classes

GRADE 11:

Monday Jan. 24	Tuesday Jan. 25	Wednesday Jan. 26	Thursday Jan. 27	Friday Jan. 28
Regular School Day	9am-11:30am: YDI Survey and CLC/Capstone Session for ALL GRADE 11’s	9am-11am: Numeracy 10 Assessment <i>for Grade 11’s who haven’t taken it yet</i>	No Classes	No Classes

GRADE 12:

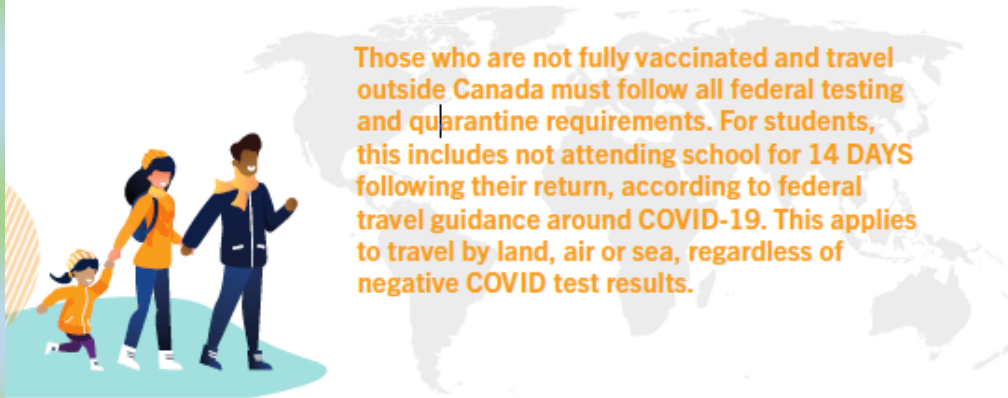
Monday Jan. 24	Tuesday Jan. 25	Wednesday Jan. 26	Thursday Jan. 27	Friday Jan. 28
Regular School Day	9am-11:00am: French Immersion Literacy Assessment 12:30pm: French ORAL Literacy Assessment	12:45pm: Capstone Presentations for some Grade 12’s	9am-11am: Literacy 12 Assessment	No classes

Considering Travel this Holiday?

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AND SCHOOL



With international borders now open to non-essential travel, ensure you know the requirements and restrictions for students and staff travelling outside of Canada, including to the United States and Mexico, as they pertain to returning to school.



Those who are not fully vaccinated and travel outside Canada must follow all federal testing and quarantine requirements. For students, this includes not attending school for 14 DAYS following their return, according to federal travel guidance around COVID-19. This applies to travel by land, air or sea, regardless of negative COVID test results.

This 14-day attendance restriction also applies to:

- day cares and camps
- settings with vulnerable people (i.e. long-term care facilities)
- large crowded indoor or outdoor settings (i.e. amusement parks, sporting events)
- crowded public transportation that does not ensure physical distancing and masking

Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated students should not return to school within 14 days following international travel, regardless of who they travel with or if they receive a negative PCR test result. There are exemptions for travel as part of cross-border custody agreements. For more information on this exemption, please visit [here](#).

AIR TRAVEL

Those 12 years or older must be fully vaccinated to board domestic and international flights departing most airports in Canada and must show the [Canadian COVID-19 proof of vaccination](#).

To re-enter Canada, all returning travellers five and up must provide proof of a COVID-19 negative molecular test result (also known as a [pre-entry test](#)) taken within 72 hours before returning OR proof of previous positive test result taken between 14 and 180 days. Unvaccinated/partially vaccinated children and adults must also take an [arrival test](#) when returning to Canada and will receive a kit to use on Day-8 of their mandatory quarantine.

LAND BORDER CROSSING

COVID-19 proof of vaccination is required in addition to your regular travel documents. Children under 18 are exempt from showing proof of vaccination. However, everyone five and up must follow the same pre-entry and arrival testing requirements as noted under Air Travel to re-enter Canada.

** Please note, travel rules and restrictions are subject to change. It is the responsibility of staff and students/families to review the latest federal guidance. For the latest information, visit travel.gc.ca/travel-covid

Fundraising

SHARE Food Bank and Toy Drive

Riverside is once again collecting non-perishable food, unwrapped toys, and monetary donations for the SHARE food bank and toy drive in our community. Last year was very successful with SHARE recording Riverside as one of their top contributors. We are hoping to repeat this achievement again this year.

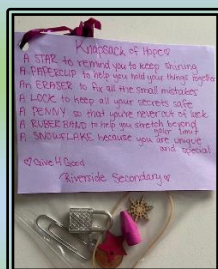
On Wednesday December 1st, the students in STREAM brainstormed with other classmates what food they would like to see in their pantry and then signed up for 1-2 items or money to donate. It would be great if you could talk to them and see if what they signed up for is a viable option for your family. The students have been asked to bring their donations to their STREAM teacher in the morning **until Dec. 16th**. Monetary donations or grocery gift cards will also be collected by the STEAM teacher.

If you prefer, you can donate directly to SHARE on their website [SHARE Joy Virtual Store](#).

Thank you and happy holidays!

GIVE4GOOD Club

The GIVE4GOOD club has been busy the last two weeks. Students have been cutting, ironing and sewing fabric together for quilts. Students have also purchased – through the Riverside PAC, a generous grant from the Port Coquitlam Community Foundation and club fundraising – backpacks, which have been filled with toiletry essentials, healthy snacks, gloves, socks, water bottles, subway gift cards, Christmas cards, small gift packages, and inspirational messages that the students wrote themselves. The backpacks, quilts, and 50 healthy meals will be delivered to vulnerable people in the community on Tues. and Wed., December 14 & 15. The Riverside community can be proud of the GIVE4GOOD initiative and the hard work the students have done to make the outreach possible. Students hope to cultivate connections with the recipients, to respectfully share stories and continue to help for the rest of year.



Fundraising – cont.

After Grad Fundraising

Cat & Fiddle Select Liquor Store

The Cat & Fiddle Select Liquor Store at 1760 Kingsway Avenue is sponsoring our 2022 After Grad. When making your purchases at the till, please mention Riverside After Grad.

Bottle Drive – Biggar Bottle Depot

Please collect your empty bottles over the holiday season and return them to Biggar Bottle Depot, 2577 Kingsway Avenue, Port Coquitlam and use the phone number 604-937-8058 for our account, which is the school's fax number.



Cat & Fiddle Sports Bar & Restaurant

Save the Date for our Pub Night at the Cat and Fiddle on **February 26, 2022**. Details to follow in the new year.

Musical Theatre Show for 2021/2022

The kids are working very hard to prepare an outstanding show. They will perform in late January, and we are excited to announce our ability to host limited audiences—which is better than no audiences! In January, we will communicate ways to enjoy the show. We would love your support!

January 25-30, 2022 at 7:30pm, with weekend afternoon performances at 2pm



Winner of five Tony Awards, this original, one act Canadian play is a fun, funny, family-friendly send-up of the Jazz Age musical to welcome audiences back to River's Edge Theatre! We've missed you.

The story is brought to us by a narrator with a passion for musical theatre, playing the original cast recording of the 1928 musical, *The Drowsy Chaperone*. As the vinyl spins, colourful and chaotic characters spring to life. A parody wrapped in a love letter, this show features so many talented students onstage and many more backstage...don't miss it!

Sports

Volleyball

Congratulations to the Senior Girls Volleyball team who won the Provincial Championships!



Aquatics

A great showing for our Aquatics Team – with rankings as follows:

Overall Girls – 6th and Boys – 12th Combined rankings for Riverside - 8th in the province.

200Mixed Medley Relay – 1st Place GOLD

100IM – Angelo Macaraig – 2nd Place SILVER

50Back – Angelo Macaraig – 3rd Place BRONZE



Soccer

Congrats to our Senior Boys Soccer team on their hard fought 4th place finish at the Provincials last month. This was Riverside's best finish in school history! Mateo Brazinha captured the Golden Boot with 6 goals and 2 assists in 5 games. Next year is looking bright!



Provincial Assessments

Provincial Assessments Numeracy 10, Literacy 10 & Literacy 12, and French Immersion 12

Provincial Assessment for Semester 1 will be written over three days.

- Tuesday, January 26 – Literacy 10 and French Immersion 12
- Wednesday, January 27 – Numeracy 10
- Thursday, January 28 – Literacy 12

**LISTS HAVE BEEN POSTED ON THE WINDOWS OF THE COUNSELLING OFFICE
FOR STUDENTS TO CHECK**

Students enrolled in English 10, Math 10, English 12 in Semester 1 and **all** Francais Langue Seconde-Immersion 12 will be scheduled to write these assessments. Grade 11 and 12 students who have missed writing these assessments will also be scheduled as these assessments are required for graduation. Parents and students will receive emails closer to the date of the assessment which will indicate the location and time of their assessment. Lists will also be posted in the counselling office for students to check and confirm when, where, and what time they are writing. Students taking the above courses in Semester 2 will be scheduled to write the assessments in April and/or June depending on the assessment that needs to be completed.

Please visit <https://bcd.vretta.com/#/en/bced-landing/grad/sample> to find helpful videos, assessment instructions, and practice questions that help students prepare for the assessment. Please direct any questions about the Provincial Assessments to Ms. McKay (shmckay@sd43.bc.ca)

Grad 2022

All Things GRAD Newsletter, edition #3.

Are you following our **Riverside Grad Committee (G22) Instagram account**? Follow our @rapidsg22 to stay informed on upcoming grad information.

- **G22 Grad Shirts** have been ordered and will arrive in mid-January.
- **Grad photos Retakes** – are scheduled for Tuesday, January 11, 2022. You can book your retake through Mountain West at www.mountainwest.ca. Photos retakes will be in the Riverside library after 3:15 pm.
- Did you forget to submit your **cap 'n gown measurement**? Grads must email Mr. Jeremy Brown at Jbrown@sd43.bc.ca with their height in inches **ASAP!**
- Our Grade 12 Timeline of events is constantly being updated. Visit **Grade 12 Central** link on our Riverside Intranet website to see important dates regarding scholarships and valedictorian applications.

AfterGrad 2022

- AfterGrad is a Grade 12 event that occurs all night, immediately following the Grad Dinner/Dance on June 4th (pandemic-permitting). It's a **parent-run event** that gives grads a place to continue to celebrate in a safe environment. Very memorable and fun for parents too who come to volunteer before and during the event.
- They are preparing for AfterGrad in hopeful anticipation of a better pandemic year in 2022 and make the day special for the Grads no matter what happens. Early preparation is all about fundraising.
- Last year, we coordinated some very successful fundraisers which were relatively easy to do.
- We are really looking forward to high participation this year. If you want to help out, please email our office (riverside@sd43.bc.ca) and we will connect you to the organizing team of parents.



Health & Safety - Riverside Covid Protocols

As a community we continue to follow the K-12 Guidelines COVID Protocols put in place by the PHO and School District. This will help us maintain the safety of our Students and Staff within the building and on school property. Please be reminded of the following:

- complete the Daily Health Check prior to coming to school
- masks are mandatory on school property
- physical distancing in classrooms and common areas of the school
- enter building at appropriate door according to your classroom number (map posted at all entrances)
- hand sanitize upon entering the building
- no crowding - please talk with friends outside of building while maintaining physical distance
- Maximum of 3 persons in a bathroom at any time

We thank you for your continued diligence in keeping our community safe and healthy.



Please refer to Page 1 **My School Day App** for further information.