

# ÉCOLE RIVERSIDE SECONDARY



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## OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2021

### IMPORTANT DATES

#### **Oct 29**

Halloween Activities

#### **Nov 3**

Mid-Term Reports  
Posted to Portal

#### **Nov 4**

Early Dismissal @2pm  
Parent/Teacher Confs  
2:30pm-6pm  
**\*\* See app for revised  
bell schedule.**

#### **Nov 8-14**

Grad Portrait Sessions  
– book online

#### **Nov 11**

Remembrance Day (no  
school)

#### **Nov 12**

Regular School Day

#### **Nov 18**

Gr 12 AfterGrad Pizza  
Fundraiser at Me&Ed's

*Support our Aftergrad by  
mentioning "Riverside"*

### **Admin Message:**

Greetings Riverside Community;

Time flies, and we are almost into November! It's amazing how much the students have been doing so far this year, even with protocols still in place. Our parent community has also begun to mobilize with two PAC meetings and two AfterGrad meetings completed. Your involvement is always welcomed and appreciated as it supports the work we do in the school.

Congratulations to all of our sports teams running currently. They have represented our school incredibly well, with a number of wins and great showings in games and tournaments. Our Cross Country Team has qualified for next weekend's Provincials, to be held at Jericho in Vancouver. Good luck Rapids!

There are many things coming up quickly on the calendar over the next four weeks.

### ***Hallowe'en***

On Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, students might choose to dress up for Halloween at school. We do have a fun costume competition planned where students will take turns being videoed as they present their costume and showcased to the rest of the school via Teams later in the day. Please remind your child that costumes be appropriate, and must conform to the school Code of Conduct, which can be found on our website and via the App. ***All types of fireworks and firecrackers are strictly forbidden on school property. Any student caught in possession or use of fireworks/firecrackers can and will face disciplinary action.***

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### ***Provincial Assessments***

Provincial Assessment November 1 and 2 will only be written by grade 11 & 12 students who have yet to write the Literacy 10 or Numeracy 10 assessment(s) or Grade 12 students who are on the early graduation program writing the NEW Literacy 12 assessment. Assessments are scheduled Monday November 1 (Literacy 10 & Literacy 12) and Tuesday, November 2 (Numeracy 10). Students who need to write these graduation assessments have already been notified via school email of the location and time of their assessment. Good luck to all of our November writers!

### ***Mid-Term Report Cards***

Report cards will be posted to the online Parent Portal on November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please ensure you are able to access the portal before that date. This is the first formal report card of Semester 1. Final reports are issued at the end of January. We are not printing reports on paper in order to save paper and use the very efficient MyEd platform.

### ***Parent/Teacher Interviews***

**Interviews will be done virtually once again this fall.** We have reserved Thursday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, from 2:30pm to 6pm, for a series of 10-12 minute time slots with teachers. This **Thursday, Oct 28, at 3pm you should receive an email** with instructions and a list of links to all the teachers' booking websites. Please select the teachers and reserve a time slot as needed. If you are unable to find an available and convenient time, you can easily email the teacher for a follow-up email, phone call or possibly Teams appointment. This year there is one major change: we will be using Teams rather than Zoom.

### ***Remembrance***

November 11<sup>th</sup> is Remembrance Day. The school will be closed on that day, although Friday the 12th is a regular school day. This year due to Covid-19, we will not be having a large assembly as before the pandemic, and will instead engage in classroom-based observances and activities. As always, the school will be giving poppies to all students to wear respectfully on November 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>.

### ***Looking ahead***

We have a month of giving back to the community in our Christmas Hamper tradition. Please begin to set aside food items that can later be donated when we begin our campaign. Thank you!

Thanks again to all of our teachers, student leaders, coaches, club sponsors, support staff workers and everyone else that makes Riverside function so well each and every day!

**It is important that we all continue to complete/do the daily health check, wash hands and use hand sanitizer. We are heading into typical flu season and want to keep everyone healthy.**

### ***Gr 9 and 10 DTP/HPV Vaccinations!***

Yes, we are finally catching up on regular school-based vaccinations. Typically these are for Grade 9's but Fraser Health will cover all the kids in Grade 9 and 10 since they missed the vaccine clinic last year. Dates are:

Grade 9: Feb 11/2022 (Fri) & Feb 14/2022 (Mon)

Grade 10: April 1/2022 (Fri) & April 4/2022 (Mon)

Until our next Newsletter in late November,

**--Riverside Admin Team**



Hello Grade 12 Parents & G22 students!

Welcome to the 2021-22 All Things GRAD Newsletter, edition #1. Our Riverside Grad Committee (G22) has been meeting every Tuesday to coordinate and plan grad activities to make this year memorable while respecting the COVID-19 protocols.

- Look for the upcoming G22 Instagram site to communicate grade 12 events.
- G22 will reveal a week full of FUN **theme days** for grads to dress up at school during October and November
- Mark November 8-14th, **All Things Grad Week**, on your calendar as it is full of many important grad events.
- **G22 Grad Shirts** will be on sale during the All Things Grad Week. Order forms will be available in the office. Grads can pay online or in the office and order forms are **due Nov. 15** in the office.
- Grads will be able to book their **grad photos** through Mountain West soon. This year photos will take place between Nov. 8<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>
- During our All Things Grad Week, grade 12's must go to our R'Side "**Grade 12 Central**" (student access is through the intranet site off the school's website) to submit:
  - a **yearbook comment**
  - a **commencement comment** (this is a draft, students can edit later)
  - **grad gown size** (based on student height)
  - upload a **baby photo** and a **selfie** (this will be used in the 2021-22 yearbook)

--Sincerely, G22

### *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.
- Hey parents! If you missed your chance to indicate an interest in this year's AfterGrad committee, they are meeting for the first time this year during the week of October 4-8th. If you would like to receive a link to that meeting, please email the Riverside office and we will email you your link.
- We are planning to prepare for AfterGrad in hopeful anticipation of a better pandemic year in 2022 and make the day special for the Grads no matter what happens.
- Last year, we coordinated some very successful fundraisers which were relatively easy to do.
- Looking forward to high participation this year.

## Introducing Riverside Secondary's First 2022 After Grad Pizza Fundraiser

Order any delicious pizza on **Thursday  
November 18, 2021** and help raise  
funds for our grads (*please mention  
Riverside Secondary when ordering*)



**Me-n-Ed's**  
PIZZA PARLORS

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Please visit <https://bced.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](mailto:shmckay@sd43.bc.ca))

## 2021/2022 Language Challenge Exam

Students must complete an application *on-line*, print it, and bring the completed application form to the school counsellor. A \$50 cheque (which will be refunded when the test is written) should be included with the application along with a photo. International students will include a check for \$155 which is non-refundable and a photo.

The application can be found on-line at:

<https://www.deltasd.bc.ca/schools/secondary/challenge-exams/> or by searching “Language Challenge Exams” on Google.

**Completed application forms must be given to your counsellor by October 29th.** The exam dates are January 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> in Delta.

**\*Note: UBC will no longer accept a challenge exam 12 mark for admission average purposes.** It is the student’s responsibility to check post-secondary admission requirements.

## Upcoming Post Secondary Information Sessions:

All sessions are virtual. Links to join or register are on the Riverside and Career Centre homepage.

Oct. 27 <sup>th</sup>	Ryerson University 4:00pm
Oct. 28 <sup>th</sup>	Bishops University 6:00pm
Nov. 2 <sup>nd</sup>	McGill University 6:00pm
Nov. 4 <sup>th</sup>	York University 4:00pm
Nov. 4 <sup>th</sup>	SFU Beedie School of Business 6:00pm
Nov. 9 <sup>th</sup>	Guelph University (International Students) 6:00pm
Nov. 10 <sup>th</sup>	KPU 6:00pm
Nov. 15 <sup>th</sup>	BCIT 5:00pm
Nov. 16 <sup>th</sup>	Western University 5:00pm
Nov. 17 <sup>th</sup>	Trinity Western University 6:00pm
Nov. 22 <sup>nd</sup>	University of Ottawa 6:00pm
Nov. 23 <sup>rd</sup>	University of Calgary 5:00pm
Nov. 24 <sup>th</sup>	Douglas College 6:00pm

### Scholarship Meeting #2

November 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> at lunch in the library.

## Sports

Our sports information can be found on our website under Athletics. Take a peek!  
[http://www.sd43.bc.ca/school/riverside/ProgramsServices/Sports/Pages/default.aspx#/  
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### **Upcoming Games:**

- Oct 26 Girls and Boys volleyball against Centennial (home games)
- Oct 28 Girls volleyball against Terry Fox (away game)
- Nov 4 Girls and Boys volleyball against Heritage Woods (home games)



## 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.



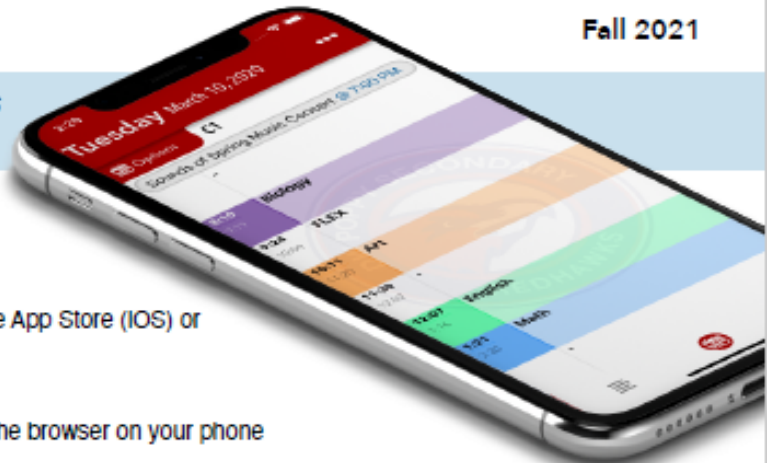
Please refer to Page 1 **My School Day App** for further information.



# My School Day

Quick Start for Students  
and Parents

Fall 2021



## 1. Download the app

You can find the app - *it's free to download!* - on the App Store (IOS) or Google Play (Android) on your phone by

- Searching in the store for "My School Day"
- Going to <https://myschoolday.app/download> in the browser on your phone
- Using the QR or snap codes below



Make sure to allow it to receive notifications when asked - the school will use them to send out important reminders, information and alerts.

## 2. Select your school

The first time you start the app you will need to select your school. Choose a province, school district, and finally your school from the lists provided, and tap "confirm". *This only needs to be done once.*

## 3. Follow channels.

Channels let the school administration and teachers send out information specific to your classes and activities, so you get only those notifications for your classes and those of interest to the entire school. To subscribe to channels:

- Tap the menu icon ●●● at the top right
- Tap "Follow Channels" in the menu
- Tap the checkbox for the channels you are interested in
- Tap on the "Done" button.

**Remember to check back regularly for new channels** that your teachers may have added.

## 4. Enter your classes

Tap on the classes icon 📅 in the tab bar. Enter your class names and select colours. You can also enter morning, lunch, and after school activities.

## 5. Access school and class links and files

The school and teachers will add links and files that provide resources to the school community such as course materials for remote learning, health advisories, and other school, district, and provincial information. To access these school-wide and channel-specific resources:

- Tap the menu icon ●●● at the top right
- Select "Files and Links" from the menu.

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