

What is the Purpose of Previews?

Previews will introduce in-coming Grade 9 students to the skills needed to meet the academic and social challenges of high school. The morning of activities will focus on personal organization, motivation, character development and decision-making. Students will learn about the building, the different classes, the curriculum, and school expectations. They will also learn how their coping skills can be improved, how to get organized, where to find their classes as well as have a chance to meet new classmates. In small groups led by Grade 10, 11 and 12 leaders from their Advisory classes, they will learn how to approach course work and have a positive outlook towards their new year!

The Previews Program will run on August 31st from 9:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. (approx.) at Riverside Secondary School. We will meet in the Gym. All supplies will be provided.

What will the day look like?

Our day will be from 9:00 a.m. to approximately 11:15 a.m. and the schedule will include:

Be better prepared to face the challenges of high school.

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
Introductions, greetings from the Principal and group allocations.

9:40 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Move to small groups.
Tour of school, locker assignment, schedule review, troubleshoot – answers and FAQ's

10:30 – 10:50
Mock School day – Students to use schedule to find classrooms.

11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.
Meet back in the Cafeteria for Hot Dog Lunch

The first day of Grade 9 can be an exciting and overwhelming time. We want to help ease this transition and get students excited about all the new opportunities available at Riverside. Students will feel more comfortable, learn their way around, gain an idea about what is expected of them in classes, and learn about activities available to them. They will also learn who to go to for help and how to advocate for themselves.

RESPONSE FORM

Name: _____

Student e-mail: _____

Parent e-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Middle School: _____

Comments:

If you have questions, please call Ms. Devitt at 604-941-6053.

Please respond by:
August 24, 2012

Forms may be returned to
❖
Riverside's Main Office

Or

➤ Respond via e-mail to
ldevitt@sd43.bc.ca

A first look at your next four years

**Come and join us for tours,
group discussions, food
and fun. You will learn the
“ins” and “outs” of
Riverside Secondary
School, and see a preview
of the academic, extra-
curricular activities and the
social scene.**

Making Transitions for Grade 9's

At Riverside the transition into Grade 9 starts halfway through Grade 8 and continues on through Grade 9.

Some of the transition activities include:

Meeting with Counsellors in Grade 8
Middle School Presentations by
Riverside Leadership Students
Grade 9 For-A-Day
Spring Parent Evening
Invitations to Fine Arts Productions
Grade 9 Pancake breakfast
Riverside Facebook and Twitter
Feeds
Advisory Interviews with New
Students



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