### The Richmond Hill High School Parent Bulletin Week of September 30, 2019



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"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world." — Nelson Mandela

# What's Happening This Week at RHHS

Monday, September 30	Monday, October 7
Rosh Hashanah - Diamond Holiday	
	Tuesday, October 8
Tuesday, October 1	TIFF field trip - Cheng - all day
Rosh Hashanah - Diamond Holiday	Sr. Boys' Volleyball - Maple H.S 2:30 p.m Irving
	Jr. Girls' Volleyball home game - 3:25 p.m
Wednesday, October 2	Walker/Frappambino
Boys Golf - Spring Lakes - Serjeantson	
Sr. Boys' Volleyball - TDCHS - 2:15 - Irving	Wednesday, October 9
	Yom Kippur - Diamond Day
Thursday, October 3	Grad Photos - Oct. 9 - 25
Girls' Rugby 7s YRAA Tournament-	
Fletcher's Field - MacKinlay	Thursday, October 10
Play at RHCPA - 9:30 a.m 11:00 a.m Montgomery	Grad Photos - Oct. 9 - 25
Sr. Boys' Rugby - Fletcher's Field 10:15 a.m	Sr. Boys' Rugby - Fletcher's Field - 7:30 a.m
Harris/Serjeantson	Harris/Serjeantson
	Girls' Rugby 7's - Fletcher's Field - 10:30 a.m
Friday, October 4	MacKinlay/Serjeantson/Harris
Gr. 9 Camp Day	Jr. Boys' Volleyball - Mulock SS - 1:50 p.m Cowx
Jr. Boys' Volleyball Tournament - 7:15 a.m	Sr. Boys' Volleyball - Maple HS - 2:15 p.m Irving
Unionville HS - Cowx	Jr. Girls' Basketball - King City SS - 3:45 p.m
	Walker/Frappambino
	Friday, October 11
	Grad Photos - Oct. 9 - 25
	Trip to OCAD - 11:30 a.m Hu

Important Information:

• School Schedule:. Our daily schedule will be as follows:

8:50 a.m. – 10:05 a.m.	Anthem and Period 1
10:05 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.	Morning Announcements
10:15 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	Period 2
11:35 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.	Period 3 (Grade Nine Lunch)
12:55 p.m. – 2:10 p.m.	Period 4 (Grade Ten Lunch)
2:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Period 5

- **Orange Shirt Day** September 30th is Orange Shirt Day. This day recognizes the vicissitudes experienced by members of our Indigenous Communities and in particular those who experienced the trauma of the Residential School System. Staff, students and Community members are encouraged to wear an Orange Shirt on that day to honour and express solidarity with the victims of the Residential School System.
- **RHHS Semi-Formal** The RHHS Semi-Formal is on November 14, 2019. This is an event for students from **ALL** Grades and parents are encouraged to have their child/ward attend this spirit building event. The event will be supervised by numerous teachers and RHHS administrators.
- Grade 9 Camp Day If your child is in Grade 9 we would urge you to go to School Cash and enroll them for the Grade 9 Camp Day at Camp Robin Hood on October 4th. This is a great opportunity for students to get to know each other and build meaningful relationships with their peers and other members of the RHHS community. Lunch is included in the cost for the day. The registration deadline has been extended to September 30, 2019. For those students not participating, there will be programing for them in school on that day and students are expected to be in school.
- Allergies/Medical Conditions Please inform the school office if your child has a serious or life-threatening allergy or medical condition. Students who have provided information regarding a serious medical condition will receive a medical information form to be completed and returned.
- Students Signed Out Of Class for medical appointments, etc. If your child needs to sign out during the school day please try to ensure that the student has a note from you regarding the same that can be shown to their class teacher which will permit the teacher to allow the student to come to the main office to sign out. This would prevent phone calls from the office into the classroom thereby minimizing disruption to learning activities in the class.
- Student pickups and dropoffs: are to occur in the loop on the west side of our school off Yorkland Street. Parents/guardians are not to drive into the north or south parking lots from 8:30 - 9:00 am and 3:15 - 4:00 pm during peak traffic times. Please be mindful of students cycling into and out of the parking lot. We appreciate your patience and we encourage our students to walk, cycle or take public transit whenever support to support and maintain our EcoSchools Gold Status
- Student Devices for 1:1: If your child is in Grade 9 or 10 please remember to send them with their laptop or tablet when they come to school.
- **RHHS on Social Media:** Did you know that we share information with you about our school and the achievements of our students. You can follow us on the web, Twitter or Instagram
  - TWITTER: <u>https://twitter.com/rhhs\_yrdsb?lang=en</u> (School) <u>https://twitter.com/rhhs\_stuco?lang=en</u> (Student Council) @RHHSLearningCo1 (Library)
  - INSTAGRAM: rhhs\_yrdsb (School)rhhs\_stuco (Student Council) rhhsllc (Library)
  - WEBSITE: <u>www.yrdsb.ca/schools/richmondhill.hs/Pages/default.aspx</u> (School) <u>www.rhhsstuco.ca</u> (Student Council)

#### ABSENCE POLICY:

VALID ABSENCES include illness, bereavement or family emergency.

**AUTHORIZED ABSENCES** include dentist/doctor appointments, driver's test, and court appearances. **EXCUSED ABSENCES** refer to field trips and school sanctioned events. Students are still considered to be at school.

**EXTENDED ABSENCES** of three days or more require the completion of a "Special Leave" form at least one week in advance of the leave. This form may be obtained from the Main Office. A parent/guardian signature is required. It is the student's responsibility to catch up on all work missed. **DO NOT plan absences or family vacations during culminating and exam periods as the evaluations CANNOT be rescheduled.** 

Type of Absence	Parent/Guardian Responsibility
Absent for a Full Day	Phone the school with a valid reason the same day or send a note upon return
Absent for One or More Classes	Phone with valid reason indicating the time of absence or send a note with the student

Leaving Before the End of the Day	Student signs out in attendance office with a note from the parent/guardian
In the Event of an Emergency	Contact the office as soon as possible.

For safety reasons, students who have signed out must leave the building as they will not be directly supervised



This reporting feature can be found on our school and Board website. It is meant for 'non-emergency' reporting as it is not monitored 24 hours per day - if a student needs immediate assistance or counseling please contact Kids Help Phone or 911.

You are encouraged to discuss incidents of bullying by other students with your family and a trusted member of staff at the school. Completing a report online is not a substitute for having a discussion with the teacher or Principal. Any incidents involving staff members should immediately be communicated to the Principal or Superintendent of the school and are not to be reported online; any staff reports submitted online will be deleted. We teach our students that character matters. Every day, students exhibit these positive character traits, and we acknowledge these students in many ways. If you witness a student doing something that exhibits extreme acts of courage, initiative, respect, responsibility, empathy, fairness, honesty, optimism or any other outstanding behaviour, please let us know.

## 1:1 and Modern Learning in our Classrooms

Articles:

Learning In the 21st Century: Technology in the Classroom

## **RHHS Parent Guide**

We are pleased to share with you the 2019-2020 Parents' Guide

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