



Dates to Remember!!

1/11/22- School Committee Mtg. - 6pm

1/12/22-PTA Meeting

1/14/22-Half Day of School—teacher professional development

1/17/22-No School—Dr, MLK Birthday observance

Important Reminders

- Kiss & Ride — Pre-k & K—Be in line ready at 2:45 Grades 1-8—Be in line no earlier than 2:55
- Celebration Day- Jan 28

RICHMOND SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

DAN WESTON, PRINCIPAL

FROM PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE:

Dear RCS families,

It was great to have the children back as we start a new year. We are continually evaluating the challenges that COVID-19 presents to our school and the best strategies that we can use to mitigate the effect it has on our community. Beginning on Monday, we returned to increased spacing for lunch and snack. We currently allow only two classes at a time to use the cafeteria, and have increased spacing between students while they eat to reduce the risk of COVID spread while students are unmasked. We are being vigilant and reinforcing that students follow proper masking at all times that they are in the building. Weekly pool testing remains a key tool for us. We are being permitted to reduce the pool size down to two people. This allows us to be more focused in following up if a pool should comeback positive for COVID-19.

We ask that families continue to play the supportive role that they have been playing. We are carefully following the protocols that the state of Massachusetts mandates we adhere to. We know that these protocols can be disruptive to family schedules. If you any question about if your student should be attending school, please contact myself or our school nurse Cristina Lenfest. We thank you for cooperation and understanding as we work together to keep our school safe and open.

Saturday Richmond youth basketball is suspended for this week. We will be working with the Richmond Recreation Committee to provide additional updates.

Enjoy the weekend.

Dan Weston

Monday, Jan 10	Tuesday, Jan 11	Wednesday, Jan 12	Thursday, Jan 13	Friday, Jan 14
Chicken & Broccoli Stir Fry	Tuna Melt on Pittsfield Rye Bread	Cheese Q	Mac -n- Cheese	Half Day Grab and Go
Carrot Sticks	House Made Fries	Corn	Peas	Chili
Fruit	Caesar Salad	Rice	Corn Bread	Rice
Sandwich: PBJ	Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Celery Sticks
	Sandwich: PBJ	Sandwich: PBF	Sandwich: PBJ	Fruit

This institution is an equal opportunity provider

LUNCHES ARE FREE per The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) who announced the extension of flexibilities to allow universal free lunch meals including beverage to be available to all children and teens **throughout the entire School Year 2021-2022.**

We encourage you to have your student try our delicious home cooked lunches.

Before



After



Richmond Consolidated School

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Richmond, MA 01254
413-698-2207
413-698-3199(fax)

Dan Weston,
PRINCIPAL

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Click [here](#) to find the 2021-2022 Free and Reduced Lunch Application.

Sign up for "myschoolbucks" to track student snack purchases in real time.

Town of Richmond If you suspect your child may have special needs and is three years old or older, please call the Special Education Director, Mary Shook, at 413-698-4001 to schedule an evaluation.

Richmond School Committee Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, January 11, 2022 -
6:00 PM

Meeting to be held by conference call and in person due to the COVID-19.

An Executive Order from the Governor of Massachusetts relieves public bodies from the requirement in the Open Meeting Law that meetings be conducted in a public place that is open and physically accessible to the public, provided that the public body makes provision to ensure public access to the deliberations through telephone, internet, or satellite enabled audio or video conferencing or any other technology that enables the public to clearly follow the proceedings of the public body in real time.

In addition, all members of a public body may participate in a meeting remotely; the Open Meeting Law's requirement that a quorum of the body and the chair be physically present at the meeting location is suspended.

All other provisions of the Open Meeting Law, such as the requirements regarding posting notice of meetings and creating and maintaining accurate meeting minutes, as well as the limited, enumerated purposes for holding an executive session, remain in effect.

Join with Google Meet

meet.google.com/duy-fmsh-yvt

Join by phone

(US) [+1 413-438-3908](tel:+14134383908) (PIN: 368858657)

Call to order

Public Comments

Review and approve minutes: 12/14/2021

Principal's Report

School Improvement plan

Superintendent's report

Covid-19 Update

Budget process overview

Special Education Director's report

Policy – 2nd reading section C, 1st reading Section D

Financial Report

Other unforeseen items

Adjournment



Join us for the next PTA meeting on Wed. Jan 12 at 6:30 PM meet.google.com/uqu-wooh-zjm

We will be laying the groundwork for the upcoming class socials and talk about dates for the Flower Power fundraiser.

Each grade should have a Class Parent join this meeting to discuss their class Social

Please join us so you are one of the first to know about the fun plans for RCS students.

Questions? email errinstraight@yahoo.com



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at Richmond Consolidated School
for 2nd-5th

Register NOW online at is183.org!



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