

# REDMOND HIGH SCHOOL WEEKLY STUDENT BULLETIN

February 11, 2022

## FROM PRINCIPAL VANDERVEER



Dear RHS students and families,

Each spring, RHS begins planning for the upcoming school year, and that includes building our school master schedule of classes. As you might imagine, building a master schedule for 2000 students and over 100 teachers is a complex puzzle.

In December, we share the course catalogue with students and ask them to select their next year's classes. When assigning classes to students, we focus on the following priorities:

- Placing all students in classes that are the appropriate grade, level, and for which they have met the pre-requisites
- Ensuring that all students are making progress in completing their graduation requirements
- Prioritizing seniors having all the classes they need to fulfill graduation requirements
- Maximizing the number of students who can enroll in their selected/preferred classes
- Minimize schedule conflicts

Another important part of this process is planning so that we maximize our use of the building and appropriately schedule our staff teaching assignments. Because of the careful work we do to organize all of these pieces, each year's master schedule is efficient and intentionally designed to meet both the *needs*

and *requests* made by students. Students course requests are an important part of the master schedule building process, and students have not only selected next year's classes, but they will also confirm their selections on February 23. The class confirmation process is important because there is rarely the available space or the flexibility to make student schedule changes once the school year starts.

### **A Note about Schedule Change Requests...**

Per LWSD policy, all students are expected to be enrolled in a full school day, and RHS counselors and administrators are expected and required to maintain a full schedule for all students. There are possible exceptions for seniors who are on track to graduate and have completed all graduation requirements to apply for a late start (period 1) or an early dismissal (period 7).

Please know that our counselors make every possible effort to support our students through advocacy and problem solving, but as noted above, *it is generally not possible to honor schedule change requests that may be submitted to counselors*. We are constrained by the number of seats in a class and limits on the maximum number of students that a teacher can have on their teaching caseload. Even when it appears that there may be an available seat in a particular period of a class, we may not be able to enroll an additional student with that teacher. We will make every effort to work with students and support them in successfully completing all of their scheduled classes for the year.

Spring semester is a busy and exciting time as we work to both wrap up our current school year and also plan for the future. We appreciate your partnership in this work!

## **RHS CALENDAR**

### **Coming Up....**

- Feb 16:** New deadline for National Spanish Exam registration
- Feb 17-18:** No School - Mid-Winter Break
- Feb 18:** AP Exam Late Registration window closes
- Feb 21:** No School - Presidents Day
- Feb 22:** LWSD Culinary Competition submissions due
- Feb 23:** Running Start information session
- Feb 24, 25, 26:** RHS Drama presents *Little Shop of Horrors*
- Feb 28:** Next HSBP assignment due for students
- Feb 28:** Spring Sports begin
- Mar 3, 4, 5:** RHS Drama presents *Little Shop of Horrors*
- Mar 15:** AP Exam cancellation deadline

## LIVE MUSIC AT RHS



**Monday!** Stop by the Library Foyer on Monday during lunch to hear some Orchestra students play for Valentine's Day, featuring hits by Taylor Swift, Elvis and more!

## SENIOR CLASS FUNDRAISERS

### Class of 2022 FUNDAISERS

**New: PTSA Fundraisers for the Class of 2022!**

For more information or to order:

[redmondhsptsa.org/Home](http://redmondhsptsa.org/Home)

**MOD Pizza (Redmond Ridge)**

Wednesday, February 16

[See flyer](#)

**Pi Day**

Order now until Feb 28

Buy a pie for your family and donate another pie to our amazing RHS staff!

[See flyer](#)

[Order here](#)

**Chipotle (Redmond)**

Saturday, March 5, 5:00 - 9:00 pm

[See flyer](#)

## GUITARIST NEEDED



**New:** Mustang Symphony is seeking a guitarist to participate in *Night On Broadway*. If you're interested, see Mrs. Gates in B100 to look over the music and schedule!

## RHS DRAMA PRODUCTION



### **LITTLE SHOP of HORRORS**

February 24, 25, 26

March 3, 4, 5

7:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center

*Understudy Performances*

Feb 27 and March 5

2:00 pm in the Performing Arts Center

To purchase tickets:

[rhslittleshop.brownpapertickets.com](https://rhslittleshop.brownpapertickets.com)

[See flyer for more information](#)

## HIGH SCHOOL & BEYOND PLAN



**New: Students** – Your next HSBP Assignment has been posted in Xello and is **DUE February 28!**

Please login to your [Xello account here](#) and find the assignment in your dashboard.

If you have any questions, please contact Nikole Lalas [nlalas@lwsd.org](mailto:nlalas@lwsd.org)

**SENIORS - DON'T PANIC :)**



**Seniors** – the counselors understand that colleges are looking for your mid-year transcripts. Counselors will have those available once 2nd semester grades are posted, sometime around mid-winter break. Colleges do understand that west coast schools start later than east coast schools and may be delayed. If colleges have questions, they will reach out to your counselor.

## NATIONAL SPANISH EXAM



***New registration deadline:*** The RHS Spanish Honor Society invites you to take the National Spanish Exam (NSE):

- Email Señora Hoffman at [sahoffmann@lwsd.org](mailto:sahoffmann@lwsd.org) by **Friday, February 16, 2022** if you want to take the test
- Test fee: \$6 / student
- Test date: End of March (date TBD)

To learn more about the National Spanish Examination, or for practice tests, [click here.](#)

## COLLABORATIVE ART

# Makerspace

***New:*** "What does growth look like?" No, really, how does it **look** to you? Sign up for **Makerspace - Collaborative Art** on Flexisched (during homeroom on February 24). Then, come to the library and enjoy some time for creativity. Design a puzzle piece that shows your idea of growth. We will collect all decorated pieces and fit them together to display a collaborative art

puzzle. Can't make it that day? All puzzle pieces and art materials will be available in the library from February 24 - March 4.

## STUDENT TURNSTILE



The westside neighborhood turnstile is open for RHS students during the following hours:

**Monday - Friday**

6:45 am - 7:45 am

**Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday**

11:00 am - 12:35 pm

2:20 pm - 3:20 pm

**Wednesday**

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

**The turnstile is only open on school days; closed on holidays.**

## INFORMATION SESSION

### *Running Start*

**Interested in learning more about Running Start for the 2022-23 school year?**

Attend our upcoming information session on **Wednesday, February 23 from 12-1pm**. Representatives from Bellevue College, Lake Washington Institute of Technology, Cascadia College, and Central Washington University will be available to share information about their Running Start programs and answer questions.

This will be a live Teams event ([link found here](#)) open to all interested students and families.

## AP EXAM UPDATES



### Late Registration

The AP Exam late registration window will open on February 1 and close on February 18. **If you would like to register for an AP Exam during this time, please email Nikole Lalas** at [nlalas@lwsd.org](mailto:nlalas@lwsd.org). There is a late fee of \$50 per exam that must be paid in addition to the regular \$98 exam fee. Once you have registered for the exam, the fee will be added to your account and can be paid by going to <https://payments.lwsd.org/>

### Canceling an AP Exam

If you have already registered and paid for an AP Exam and you want to cancel it, please complete [this form](#). There is a \$40 cancellation fee which will be deducted from your \$98 payment and the remaining \$58 will be refunded at the end of the school year. Exam cancellation requests are due by March 15th.

Questions? Please contact our AP Coordinator, Nikole Lalas at [nlalas@lwsd.org](mailto:nlalas@lwsd.org)

## SENIOR TIMELINE

**CLASS**  
*of*  
**2022**

**Cap and gown orders:** If you still need to order your items, check out [THIS VIDEO](#) for instructions on how to register and order your grad items. Here is the link to the [GRADUATION PACKET](#) students received in homeroom. Here is the [link](#) to place the cap & gown order online.

**Senior Prom:** Saturday, May 14 at Columbia Tower Club. Time TBD.

**Graduation:** Monday, June 13 at UW /Alaska Airlines Arena. Time TBD.

**Please note:** Events could change given the current Covid climate and UW Leadership decisions.

## RHS HELP HELPS!

**RHS**Help

**Seniors:** If you are having troubles affording your **graduation cap and gown** or other graduation expenses, please reach out to your counselor or Mrs. Zambrowsky-Huls. *RHS Help* may be able to assist you in paying for your graduation gown.

## ELECTRONIC REPORT CARDS



Families now have the option to opt out of paper report cards and only receive them electronically. Instructions to do so and also how to retrieve the electronic version of report cards are attached. Click [here](#) for instructions.

## MATH TUTORING

### Tutoring Tuesdays

#### **Tuesday Math Tutoring has starting up again!**

Drop in and get some help with your Algebra 1, Algebra 2, or Geometry homework during the second semester every Tuesday in room C210.

Tutors, please sign up on the sheet in C210.

## REGISTRATION OPEN

### Spring Sports

**Spring Sports Registration Now Open** through [Final Forms](#).

Baseball – Cut Sport

Fastpitch – Cut Sport

Girls Golf – Cut Sport

Boys Soccer – Cut Sport

Girls Tennis

Track & Field

Badminton

**Spring Sports begin Monday, February 28.**

## GIRLS GOLF





**Attention RHS Girls golfers!** The Spring Sports season is approaching and Coach Burnstead would love to have students who have experience playing Golf come and tryout for the team. As defending State Champions from the last State tournament, we are hoping to continue that tradition! The **deadline for sign-ups is February 25**, with tryouts occurring the following week (weather permitting). Questions? Email Mr. Burnstead: [sburnstead@lwsd.org](mailto:sburnstead@lwsd.org).

## CREATIVE WRITING CLUB

THE CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST IS BACK!

Participate to become the RHS 2022 Monarch Writer with an exclusive section in Vol.4 of the Mustang Review. **Submit a work of fiction or nonfiction of up to 2,500 words, three poems totaling no more than 4 pages, OR a work of flash fiction of up to 700 words.** Illustrations drawn by the student author are acceptable; however, only literary content is judged. Again, a student is given only **ONE ENTRY**, and the entry must be the original work of that student. Group entries are not permitted. For more info, check out [this flyer!](#)

All entries should be submitted [here](#) as a PDF or Word Doc by **11:59 pm on 03/12/22**. Contact [s-shlim@lwsd.org](mailto:s-shlim@lwsd.org) or [s-phchaban@lwsd.org](mailto:s-phchaban@lwsd.org) with any questions.

## PAVe EVENT



*Hello Parents/Caregivers---*a message from your Substance Use Prevention Intervention Specialist at RHS about an upcoming **Parent Panel on Feb 15.**

***E-cigarettes and Youth Vaping: What parents need to know in 2022.*** Please see [flyer](#) for an informative opportunity to learn more about

youth vaping at this free, virtual event put on by King County Public Health/Parents Against Vaping e-cigarettes (PAVe). Registration information included in the flyer. Please reach out to me, **Andrea Frost** of Youth Eastside Services for extra support for your student: [andrea@youtheastideservices.org](mailto:andrea@youtheastideservices.org)

## REPORTING COVID

# COVID-19

### **How to report that your student is COVID Positive:**

Call or email the attendance office AND [complete this form.](#)

Attendance email: [rhsattend@lwsd.org](mailto:rhsattend@lwsd.org)

Attendance phone: 425-936-1810

The form will provide us with all the information that we need to be able to determine a return date and contact trace.

Thank you for your partnership.

## COVID PARTNERSHIP



As we face the current increase of Covid cases, we want to thank you for the continuing support of school safety processes. Please review the following with your child:

1. **Masking:** Make sure to wear a mask completely covering the nose and mouth. When actively eating or drinking, minimize time with mask off. Refrain from eating candy on sticks or other food items that might prevent safe and appropriate mask wearing.
2. **Social distancing:** There are many spaces available for lunch throughout the building and outside. Keep as much distance as possible while eating with others. When not eating, make sure that you are masked.
3. **Good hygiene:** Wash hands frequently. Use hand sanitizer. Refrain from sharing drinks. Maintain distance in restrooms while waiting to use a stall. All stalls are designed for individual use. Refrain from eating or drinking in restrooms.

Please do not send your child to school if they are experiencing any symptoms, have tested positive or have been identified as a close contact and are not fully vaccinated. In these instances, keep your child at home and contact the school via the attendance office. This will start the process for the school to be able to provide for further instructions for when it is okay to return to school.

We appreciate your patience and partnership during this challenging time.

## LWSD COVID GUIDELINES



**Mustang Families:** Please be aware of the current LWSD Sick Policy guidelines for students who are out of school for illness. We must follow these guidelines to ensure the health and safety of all our fellow Mustangs!

**Please indicate "sick" or "medical" when calling Attendance**

When you call or email the attendance line to notify us of your student's absence, please tell us if they are absent because they are **sick** due to cold/flu like symptoms. Or, if your student is missing school for an excused medical reason that is *not* due to being sick---such as doctor appointment or injury---please specify that their absence is **medical** (not due to cold or flu like symptoms). Attendance: [rhsattend@lwsd.org](mailto:rhsattend@lwsd.org) or 425-936-1810.

**If your student is experiencing ANY cold or flu-like symptoms – Your student must stay home.**

<b>Covid-Like Sick Symptoms</b>	<b>*Short Term Sick Symptoms</b>
Fever of 100.4 or above/Chills	Sore Throat *
Cough	Congestion or Runny Nose *
Shortness of Breath or Difficulty Breathing	Muscle Pain or Body Aches *
Loss of Taste or Smell	Fatigue *
	Diarrhea *
	Nausea or vomiting *
	Headache *

**\*Or any other signs of new illness that are unrelated to a documented preexisting condition.**

**Your student may return to school when:**

1. They have one \*Short Term symptom (does NOT include Covid-like symptoms) that resolves in less than 24 hours (no Covid testing required).

2. **OR** They have been isolating for 5 days, have had no fever for 24 hours, and symptoms are resolving. Upon returning, a well fitting mask must be worn for days 6-10.
3. **OR** To return prior to the end of a 5 day isolation, you will need to submit a negative COVID-19 test result (molecular or antigen), in addition to your symptoms resolving.

If your student has been absent due to sick symptoms and has results of their Covid test, please email test results to: Sindy Mencos at [smencos@lwsd.org](mailto:smencos@lwsd.org).

## RHS ATTENDANCE LINE

425-936-1810

### **How to excuse your student when they are absent:**

Please email the attendance secretary at [rhsattend@lwsd.org](mailto:rhsattend@lwsd.org) or leave a message on the Attendance line 425 936-1810 whenever your student is absent or late.

### **How to excuse your student for an early departure:**

Please email or call as soon as possible to excuse your student early for an appointment, or if they are leaving early due to an illness. The Attendance Secretary (Ms. Anderson) will send your student a dismissal slip so they may sign out in the Attendance Office and meet the parent outside.

**Important:** if you were marked absent or late by a teacher and would like to discuss this, please talk to the teacher that marked you absent or late---not the attendance office.

- For more information about absences, late arrivals and early departures, click [here](#).
- Para obtener más información sobre ausencias, llegadas tardías y salidas anticipadas, haga clic [aquí](#).

## COUNSELING APPOINTMENTS



**Counselors are excited to meet with you!** Counselors are available for individual student/parent appointments. The appointment calendar on the [RHS Counseling website](#) is now open for students/parents to schedule a meeting.

**Counselor Caseloads 2021-2022**

**A-C:** Katie Keller

[kkeller@lwsd.org](mailto:kkeller@lwsd.org)

**A-CA (12th & RS):** Nikole Lalas

[nlalas@lwsd.org](mailto:nlalas@lwsd.org)

**CE-GARC:** Lindsey Hanson

[lihanson@lwsd.org](mailto:lihanson@lwsd.org)

**GARD-KAS:** Sarah Gray

[sgray@lwsd.org](mailto:sgray@lwsd.org)

**KAT-LEA & VIM-Z:** Micaela Crapo

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**LEB-MAZ:** Katie Bunyard

[kbunyard@lwsd.org](mailto:kbunyard@lwsd.org)

**MC-RAJ:** Ellen Zambrowsky-Huls

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**RAK-SUG:** Derik Detweiler

[ddetweiler@lwsd.org](mailto:ddetweiler@lwsd.org)

**SUH-VIL:** Justine Oshiro

[joshiro@lwsd.org](mailto:joshiro@lwsd.org)

**COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER**



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Lake Washington School District

**LIVE WEDNESDAY**

College and Career Virtual Event Series

First Responders

February 23, 1:30 pm

FIRST-IN TRAINING AND EDUCATION



**JACK GREAVES**

EMT, Firefighter

Director/Owner Fire Tech Academy

Teacher WANIC FITE program



**STORM GEHRKE**

Student Resource Officer

Lake Washington High School

Click [here](#) for Live Wednesday events and the link to join this LIVE Virtual event to learn more about psychology and counseling careers.



College Bound Resigning

and Information Virtual Event

Wednesday, March 30, 2022, 6 to 7 pm



**PREPARATORY  
COLLEGE & CAREER  
EDUCATION**  
for  
**High School Students**

WANIC Skill Center  
2022-2023

**WANIC Enrollment System** will be up later in February. They are implementing a new registration system and need to iron out some implementation challenges. Please check [WANIC website](#) for updates.

## **\$SCHOLARSHIP\$**



Stony Brook University | Simons Summer Research Program

Please join us in congratulating **Keerthana (Rachel) Kurapati and Akshita Kikkuru**, RHS nominees for the Simons Summer Research Program (SRP). They will proceed to apply for their spots in the Simons SRP which is extremely competitive- around 8% of the applicants are selected. Congratulations, Rachel and Akshita!! We wish you the best and please keep us posted!  
-Mrs. Wu, CCC Specialist

**PTSA Council 2022 Scholarship** - Deadline March 25 2022  
For information: [Council 2022 Scholarships Available](#)

**Redmond Rotary "Service Above Self" Scholarship is currently open and is posted in Xello.** The Redmond Rotary Club is proud to offer a \$4,000.00 scholarship to a deserving Redmond High School senior in the Lake Washington School District. [Applications](#) must be emailed to [Mrs. Wu](#) no later than midnight on May 1, 2022. To be eligible, students must be enrolled in a college, university, apprenticeship, or technical training school for the fall of the year immediately following the award date.

**Seattle Foundation** hosts over 50 scholarships annually.

Check it out: [Current Scholarships Page](#)

**American Legion Auxiliary** (ALA) Scholarship Opportunities:

[Our ALA Programs](#) Note the *deadline for all scholarships is March 1, 2022.*

[Council 2022 Scholarships Available – Lake Washington PTSA Council](#)

[Garrett J. Goodchild Achievement Award](#)

[American Indian Endowed Scholarship](#)

You can also check the Scholarships Bulletin Board outside [CCC](#), on [Teams](#) and Xello for more scholarships

## Federal Student Aid

An OFFICE of the U.S. DEPARTMENT of EDUCATION

Have you filled out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form? Not sure how to fill it out? Check [this](#) out! Still need help? Contact [CCC](#) for help with filling out your FAFSA.

**Struggling with Math and need help finding a Math tutor?**

Contact [CCC](#) for help to find a tutor for your math class.



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