

## Richmond Community High School

Happy Thursday, Pharaohs! New information is highlighted in **RED**. One week down and one to go.....AP and SOL testing continues next week. Please review the schedule below.

In this update, you will find:

- RCHS Events Calendar & Bell Schedules
- Important Dates
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- **Freshman Mini-mester (Last-minute reminders) \*\*\* CAMPING TRIP**
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Feel free to bookmark this link ([rchs.rvaschools.net/about-us/principals-newsletter](https://rchs.rvaschools.net/about-us/principals-newsletter)) for access to all weekly updates. Also, please check out our school's website at [www.rvaschools.net/RCHS](https://www.rvaschools.net/RCHS). Here you will find all important school information, including our school's calendar of events and activities: [rchs.rvaschools.net/about-us/community-high-school-events-calendar](https://rchs.rvaschools.net/about-us/community-high-school-events-calendar). Additionally, we have both Facebook (RCHSPharaohs) and Instagram (@rchspharaohs and @principalmassenburg) accounts that we will use to send updates and quick announcements as we go throughout the school year. Please review our updated Student Code of Responsible Ethics (SCORE). Please click on the link for viewing:

- [The Student Code of Responsible Ethics \(SCORE\)](#)

## School & District Calendars

- RCHS Events Calendar: [rchs.rvaschools.net/about-us/community-high-school-events-calendar](https://rchs.rvaschools.net/about-us/community-high-school-events-calendar)
- District Calendar: <https://www.rvaschools.net/news/district-calendar>

## Important Dates

Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> — Senior Chromebook Collection  
Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> — Graduation practice (Seniors ONLY)  
Tuesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> — Senior Breakfast & Yearbook Signing  
Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> — Senior Awards  
Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> — Spring Concert (6:30pm) Doors open at 6:00pm  
Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> — Underclassmen Yearbook Signing  
Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> — Memorial Day (RPS CLOSED)  
Tuesday, May 28<sup>th</sup> — Final Grades are due for underclassmen  
Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> — Graduation (Asynchronous day )  
Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> — School-wide Celebration & Awards  
Friday, May 31<sup>st</sup> — Last Day of School

## AP & SOL Testing Dates

Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> — AP Environmental Science (AM); SOL (History-World I)

Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup> — AP (US History) SOL (Chemistry add-on)  
Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> — AP Calculus (AM); SOL (History-World II, US History, & Chemistry)  
Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> — AP Language (AM)  
Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup> — SOL (EOC Reading); AP Music Theory (PM)  
Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> — AP Spanish Language (AM); AP Biology (PM)  
Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> — Testing Make-up  
Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> — Expedited Retakes  
Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> — Expedited Retakes

**\*\*\*Freshman Mini-mester Update (CAMPING): Medication Administration\*\*\***

By now, all parents should have completed the medication administration forms sent home in preparation for our camping trip. I want to reiterate that any over-the-counter and/or prescribed medication must accompany a physician's signature. We should have received all medication at this point. Again, we cannot administer any type of medication to scholars, which includes prescribed or over-the-counter without a signature (located on the medication administration form) by a physician. Once we return, all medication must be retrieved by caregivers. Thanks in advance for your cooperation. Last-minute reminders are below:

- 1. Anyone who has a serious medical condition that requires medication (epilepsy, asthma, diabetes) must have their paperwork and medicine here no later than tomorrow/Friday;**
- 2. Duffel bags and sleeping bags must be here tomorrow/Friday;**
- 3. Scholars must bring their backpacks on Monday with items included on the packing list;**
- 4. Students should be here no later than 9:00 A.M. on Monday for departure;**
- 5. No technology should be brought on the trip—phones will be confiscated;**
- 6. Please reminder to make final payments;**
- 7. Review the RPS S.C.O.R.E. expectations—all apply.**

**RSVP today for the RCHS End of Year Family Picnic!**

The picnic will be held the evening of Tuesday, May 28th from 5-7 pm rain or shine from and is open to all current RCHS students and their entire families (siblings included).

This year, the PTSA will be providing pork BBQ from The Smoky Mug and fried chicken from Lee's as well as drinks. We are asking our students/families to help by bringing store bought sides and desserts. We'll also have games like kickball, soccer and basketball as well as music.

RSVP here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/.../8050949AAAC2CA5FE3...>

We also need volunteers for setup, food service, and clean up. Students can earn credit by volunteering and would be a huge help from 4-5 pm especially. Sign up to volunteer here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/.../8050949AAAC2CA5FE3...>

We hope to see you there!

**RCHS Takes Costa Rica and Spain!**

With the help of EF Tours—a well-respected company that has been designing educational tours for more than 55 years—Mr. Simone has planned student trips to **Costa Rica** (in June 2024) and to **Spain** (in June/July 2025). Anyone in the RCHS community—

students, alumni, caregivers, friends, faculty, staff—is welcome to join these trips. For information, please visit the "Travel" page of his website: [mistersimone.edublogs.org/travel/](https://mistersimone.edublogs.org/travel/). And if you have any questions, please let him know!

### **RCHS 2023-2024 Bell Schedules**

- <https://rchs.rvaschools.net/about-us/bell-schedule>

Please feel free to contact me at (804) 780-4332 or at [Kmassenb@rvaschools.net](mailto:Kmassenb@rvaschools.net) "Life is a puzzle; you can only see the picture when you put all the pieces together!" **CHEERS** to "Putting it all together, one piece at a time."

***We are Stronger Together..... All In, All One, All Pharaohs!***

Your Partner in Education,  
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