

# Rebel Report

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June 10, 2026

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**INFORMATION ON NEW SCHEDULE FOR 2026-2027**

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Dear Reeds Brook Families,

We are excited to share some important news about your child's school day beginning in the **2026-2027** school year. MTSS is a proactive, evidence-based framework that helps us identify students who need additional academic, behavioral, or social-emotional support – and reach them early. Our MTSS team has been careful planning all year. This fall, RBMS is launching a new daily schedule designed to give every student more consistent instruction, stronger support, and a clearer routine.



**Here's what's changing:**

**All Four Core Subjects, Every Day**

Your child will have ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies every single day in 60-minute blocks – no more every-other-day rotations for Science and Social Studies.

**A New WIN (What I Need) Block**

Each day includes a dedicated WIN block for targeted support and enrichment. During this time, students engage in independent skills practice. This framework enables staff to work with small groups for re-teaching or extension. WIN replaces TI's.

### **Specials in a Structured Rotation**

Students will have two specials each day, rotating through a 6-day (A–F) cycle. Students who are not enrolled in Band or Chorus will experience a full year of all four specials.

1. Tech
2. Art
3. PE & Health
4. Character Strong & Gen US across

Students in Band and Chorus will have PE/Health as a consistent special, with quarterly exposure to Art, Tech, and Character Strong/Gen US throughout the year. Band meets on A, C, and E days, while Chorus meets on B, D, and F days, giving music students dedicated time without any scheduling conflicts.

### **A Shorter Lunch Period**

Lunch will move from 25 to 20 minutes. Data showed students consistently finish eating in under 17 minutes, so this change is a comfortable one.

Individual student schedules will be available in August – please check PowerSchool for updates.

We believe these changes will make each school day more purposeful and predictable for your child. If you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out. We look forward to a great year ahead!

Warmly,  
Jen Cyr, Principal  
Reeds Brook Middle School

## **Maine's New Cell Phone-Free Commitment**

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May 22, 2026

Dear RSU 22 Community,

As we continue to focus on providing the best possible learning environment for our students, our administrative team would like to provide you with advance notice regarding an important change that will take effect beginning in the fall of the upcoming school year within RSU 22.

In alignment with the State of Maine's new "bell-to-bell" law regarding personal electronic devices in schools, our district must implement a new personal electronic device policy. **This policy will restrict the usage of all personal electronic devices in all RSU 22 schools beginning with the start of school in 2026-2027.** The purpose of this change is not only to adhere to the new law, but also to support student learning, increase engagement in the classroom, minimize distractions during the school day, and promote positive social interaction among students.

This policy will apply to all personal electronic devices including, but not limited to:

- Cell phones
- Smart watches
- Tablets
- Personal laptops
- Other personal electronic devices with internet or cellular network capabilities

Additional details regarding the expectations, procedures, and implementation of this policy will be shared with families and students prior to the start of the school year. Our goal is to ensure that all students and families clearly understand the expectations and the reasons behind this change.

We recognize that personal technology has become a significant part of everyday life, and we appreciate your partnership and support as we work together to uphold the law and create an environment that prioritizes student learning, focus, and well-being throughout the school day.

Thank you for your continued support of our schools, our staff, and most importantly, the students within our district. We greatly value our partnership with families and look forward to a successful conclusion to our current school year as well as our school year ahead. If you have any questions related to your child's needs related to this new change, please reach out to your child's principal and they will be happy to speak with you.

Sincerely,

Nick Raymond

*Committed to the optimal learning of all students*

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## NURSE'S CORNER



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### End-of-Year Health Newsletter

As we wrap up another school year, I want to thank you for trusting me with your children's health and well-being. I'm grateful for your partnership and look forward to another safe, healthy, and happy school year ahead.

#### ENDING THE SCHOOL YEAR.....

- Medications- All medications that are kept in the nurse's office can be picked up by a parent or guardian NO LATER THAN Thursday, June 11, 2026. Any medication left beyond this date will be discarded.
- I have attached a medication permit and a sports physical form so that you can have your doctor sign them over the summer if your student needs one for next year. Feel free to email them to me when they are finished.

Wishing your family a joyful, safe, and well-deserved summer break! ☀️ Enjoy the quality time together, take time to step away from the screens, read a great book, try a new hobby, and make unforgettable memories. See you in the fall!"

#### FOR THE NEXT SCHOOL YEAR.....

- Please update emergency contact information and the annual health report which contains a permission check off for your student to receive Acetaminophen (Tylenol) and/or Ibuprofen (Advil) at school as needed.
- If your child has a health condition or medication needs, reach out as school starts so we can make a plan together.
- Students who will be entering 7th grade next year are required to have all previous immunizations, 1 Tdap and 1 Meningococcal Conjugate vaccine (MCV4). The summer is a great time for them to get that second dose if they have not already.



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## 8th Grade Promotion Night



## Grade 8 Promotion - Judi Michalik Photography

Hello! I am Judi Michalik. I am a wife, mother, grandmother, music teacher and photographer from Bangor, Maine. I photograph senior pictures, family pictures, pets, sports and an occasional wedding. Welcome to my site!

[judimichalikphotography.smugmug.com](http://judimichalikphotography.smugmug.com)

## TWINNING





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# RBMS WEBSITE

## Bus Information

### 2025-2026 RSU 22 District Calendar

### Community Events

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## SUPPORT SERVICES



Family handout - Acadia NL Case Management.pdf

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# Strategic Plan 2022-2027

## Four Building Blocks

1	2	3	4
Student Success	Professional Excellence	Community Partnerships	Operational Excellence
Academic Excellence & Achievement	Recruitment & Retention	Family & Community Engagement	Budget Development
Foundational Skills	Professional Development	RSU 22 Educational Foundation	Fiscal & Facilities Management
Instructional Models	Best Practices	Communication & Transparency	Comprehensive Planning
Engagement		Campus Based Services	

Reeds Brook Middle School currently serves approximately 300 students from Hampden and Newburgh, as part of RSU 22. Students at RBMS are in grades 6-8. We challenge all students to achieve individual success in a supportive environment.



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