



RUMSON-FAIR HAVEN REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear RFH Parents and Students:

I hope you are having a relaxing and pleasant summer. We are eagerly anticipating the return of our students on September 2nd and want to provide pertinent information well in advance of the coming school year. I am excited to be working with you to ensure a positive year and make your time at RFH the best it can be.

2026-2027 School Year Updates and Reminders:

First Day of School for Students

The first day of school for students is **Wednesday, September 2nd, 2026**. All students will report to their period 1 class by 7:45 AM. We will be running an 8-period day, allowing students and teachers to engage with all of their classes. Our regular daily rotation will commence on Thursday, September 3rd with a Day 1 schedule.

Professional Development Wednesdays (PDW)

We believe that providing effective professional development for our teachers directly supports increased student learning. To that end, we will offer one Professional Development Wednesday (PDW) each month. On these Wednesdays, school will begin at 9:15 AM for students. Please click on this [link](#) to find the dates of the PDWs.

***NOTE: All dates are subject to change**

Final Student Schedules and Annual Forms

The Genesis Student Information System provides students and parents with continuous access, 24/7, to real-time information such as the 2026-2027 schedule, academic performance, and attendance records. At RFH, Genesis is the primary platform for communicating student progress. During the school year, both students and parents have access to the Genesis portal, which is password-protected.

The **Parent Portal** is accessible via this link: [Genesis](#). Student schedules will be made available for the start of the school year on Wednesday, August 19th. In order for you and your student(s) to access their schedule(s), the parent/guardian must complete the annual forms, which will be published on **Tuesday, August 10th, at 3:00PM**. Schedules will not be visible until all annual forms for each of your students have been completed. You can complete these forms on August 10th by logging into the [Parent Portal](#) (not the mobile app) using your parent login. The forms will be visible immediately upon your login. The forms assigned to your student(s) at their respective grade levels will be accessible for completion.

Please email genesis@rumsonfairhaven.org, if you have any further questions or difficulties logging into the [Genesis Parent Portal](#). A password reset button is available on the parent portal in case of password issues. Please note it takes approximately five minutes for a reset to go through the system.

Communications

RFH utilizes *Finalsite* to host the district's website, and it serves as the primary district communication method for families. Administrative correspondence, "snow days," emergency information, etc. will be communicated through *Finalsite*. As this communication system interfaces with our student information system, *Genesis*, it is imperative to keep RFH updated on any changes (e.g. email addresses, phone numbers). To update email addresses or phone numbers, please contact genesis@rumsonfairhaven.org.

For the most up-to-date information on sports schedules, school events, and coach contact details, please use the [RFH Schedule](#). If you have any questions, please contact Ms. English at benglish@rumsonfairhaven.org.

We will be sending out communications about school events and important school information on Fridays at 2:00 PM via email.

Student Parking-Seniors Only

Only authorized senior students may park their cars in the school parking lot in the designated spaces. Parking spaces are assigned to students who apply for the privilege and are non-transferable. [Applications can be obtained in the Attendance Office.](#)

Student Government Association (SGA) Membership ([SGA Membership Link](#))

The SGA will be offering all RFH students the opportunity to register for an SGA Membership. We highly recommend purchasing an SGA membership, as it offers significant discounts for various RFH activities along with a copy of the 2027 yearbook. Please click on this [link](#) to order the SGA membership.

Virtual Backpack

The Virtual Backpack will open the week of August 10th. It will be accessible through the school website and contains important information and flyers related to the start of the school year.

Please mark your calendars for important upcoming events: All dates are available on the RFH Website Calendar.

August 10th: Opening of Virtual Backpack and completion of Annual Forms.

August 12th: Superintendent's Update

August 26th: Principal's Update

September 2nd: First Day of School

September 9th: Back to School Night

If you have any questions about the information above, please do not hesitate to contact us. Be on the lookout for more important information regarding upcoming events and the first week of school in the coming weeks. We look forward to a great 2026-2027 school year. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Sincerely,

Stephen Sarles
Principal

A Commitment to Excellence

Our mission is to empower all of our students with the tools to find their passions and thrive as knowledgeable, confident, resilient, creative, and compassionate citizens of a global community.