

Greetings, Pharaohs and Happy Friday! Hope you all enjoy this beautiful day and have the opportunity to get some fresh air. Below you will find our updated information. Please remember that all new information is highlighted in **RED**.

Pharaoh Updates

Interim grades will be available via ASPEN on Tuesday, May 18th for all scholars. Please log into your ASPEN accounts to view current grades.

Senior Meeting: All seniors should report to the Morning Meeting link at 10:30am on Tuesday, May 25 for a guest speaker. Teachers are aware and will release them from class to attend this important meeting.

Yearbooks: Our yearbook this year will be solely dedicated to our seniors. The cost of the books is \$27 and it will be available to purchase online by next week. Each senior will get a half of a page or a whole page in the yearbook that will include their senior portrait, six-word memoir, dot-dot (yearbook statement/quote), a baby/childhood picture submitted by family, and a line or two of well-wishes from parents/loved ones. It is important that we adhere to a strict timeline for submission of baby pictures and a message to your student. Please submit via email by **Friday, May 22**. The subject of your email should contain your student's first initial and last name. If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to reach out to Mrs. Burt (Ms. Brooks) at abrooks@rvaschools.net.

AP Exam Information:

Step 1: Download the App

Students must download and install the digital testing application on an approved device they'll use on exam day. If they'll be testing on a school-managed device, your school will complete this step for them or provide necessary instructions. All students must log in to the app with their College Board username and password to complete installation.

Step 2: Use Digital Practice

Practicing with example questions in the digital testing app is the best way to prepare for digital exams. Digital practice also confirms that students' testing computers work as expected before exam day.

Step 3: Complete Exam Setup

For **each** digital AP Exam students take, they must complete the exam setup step in the digital testing app. This step loads the exam onto the computer they're going to test with. Completing this step is required 1–3 days before each exam. Without taking this step for each exam, students won't be able to test. Here's an exam setup overview you can share with students.

Step 4: Check In to Exam

Students are required to check in to each of their digital exams **30 minutes before the start time** to complete final pre-exam checks. Make sure they know what time the exam starts in your time zone. Students can only check in on the device they used to complete exam setup.

Chromebooks: You need a school-issued Chromebook for AP and SOL testing. Please contact the school to schedule a time to pick up one.

Tutoring "Boot Camps": Please see below our teachers' availability outside of the normal school day, and please encourage your scholars to take advantage of this opportunity. These tutoring sessions will focus on upcoming AP and SOL assessments.

SOL & AP Tutoring Schedule							
Teacher	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Ella Ilie	7:00 pm to 8:00 pm	7:00 pm to 8:00 pm		7:00 pm to 8:00 pm			
Heather Crone	8:30 am to 9:15 am	8:30 am to 9:15 am	8:30 am to 9:15 am	8:30 am to 9:15 am	8:30 am to 9:15 am	9:00 am to 12:00 noon	
Jida Dahal	8:15 am to 9:15 am	8:15 am to 9:15 am	8:15 am to 9:15 am	8:15 am to 9:15 am	8:15 am to 9:15 am	8:00 am to 10:00 am	8:00 am to 10:00 am
	AP Physics	AP Physics	AP Physics	AP Statistics	AP Statistics	1 hour for each	1 hour for each
Nabila Haddadine	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm	6:00 pm to 8:00 pm		9:00 am to 12:00 noon	
Vincent Simone	4:30 pm to 5:30 pm	4:30 pm to 5:30 pm	4:30 pm to 5:30 pm	4:30 pm to 5:30 pm	4:30 pm to 5:30 pm		

SENIOR GRADUATION: We are now having an in-person graduation ceremony. More details coming soon.....please encourage your seniors to pay close attention to the senior Google Classroom and all of Mrs. Crone’s senior announcements. Last day for seniors is **Friday, June 11, 2021**. All seniors will receive a total of 4 tickets for graduation, NO EXCEPTIONS! Additional information coming soon.....

UPDATED SOL DATES BELOW:

RPS EOC SOL TESTING SPRING 2021

MAY 1	11 EOC Writing	
	11 EOC Reading	MAY 8
MAY 15	Biology, Chemistry*, Earth Science*	
	Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2*	MAY 22
JUNE 5	History Make-up Testing / Expedited Retakes	
	Make-up Testing / Expedited Retakes	JUNE 12

Testing begins at 8:30am. Transportation is provided. All students MUST register through the testing survey. Walk-ins are NOT permitted. For more information, contact your school counselor. *Available ONLY to students who need to earn a verified credit for graduation.

SENIORS:

It is time to order your Class of 2021 t-shirt! Exciting news--you can now pay online using this link: <https://osp.osmsinc.com/RichmondVA/>

(You may still come to the school with cash if you prefer.)

Ordering will close on **Monday, May 17.**

*Mrs. Crone has your t-shirt size. Contact her with any questions.

Monday & Tuesday, May 17 & 18: Underclassmen yearbook photos

Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050C4BAEAE2FA3FE3-1141261>

Thursday, May 20 (6pm): Community Meeting for all RCHS parents

Monday, May 24 (6pm): PTSA

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86162510752?pwd=UkNGZFZDbHhZOVVoUE9mbWVlaC9tQT09>

Meeting ID: 861 6251 0752

Passcode: dp2fSC

***RCHS is ranked #11 for US News & World Reporting Ranking for High Schools ---- YAY!!!!

Senior Scholarship Information:

Ms. Williams has sent out multiple scholarships to all seniors. You can find a list of all scholarships on our school's website: <https://www.rvaschools.net/Page/2585>

Please encourage your scholars to apply and to reach out to Ms. Williams for strategies to make this process easier for them.

The Richmond Community High School Alumni Association is thrilled to launch our NEW Mentorship Connect Program!

May 27 (7pm)

Through this program, we look forward in 2021 (and beyond) to officially connect the resources and expertise of past students with the Best and Brightest in the “building” in a meaningful and uplifting way.

Ongoing Alumni / Student / Student Parent Support - Year-Round Support
(Open to Alumni, Students + Student Parents via [Telegram Group])(<https://telegram.org/>)

Students who wish to participate, click the link below to be tapped in:
<https://tinyurl.com/29an7fta>

Use the link below to drop any program questions and/or concerns you make have:
<https://tinyurl.com/rj8cu44a>

Pharaoh’s General Information

- When completing assessments, we are asking that all scholars have their cameras on, if possible. If they are unable to honor this request, please reach out to the teacher to make them aware.
- As scholars become comfortable using Google Classroom, emailing teachers, logging in on time, and creating and organizing files on their Chromebooks, please remind them of our expectations. They should communicate with their teachers if they are reporting late to class or leaving a class early. We have to document this information, and we want to ensure that all scholars receive their missed assignments.

- All scholars are required to attend Family on Fridays. Every Friday we are using the Family bell schedule that can be found on our school's website. Family is a good time for scholars to engage with their peers and family head about various topics. We use this time to build rapport with one another and provide supports for each other. Family is not optional; it's a requirement for all RCHS scholars.
- Scholars with broken devices, here is the information on how to get it fixed: phone number (804) 780-6195 option 1. You can also report to the following locations for assistance:
 1. Mondays: MLK (7:30-10:30am)
 2. Tuesdays: Fairfield Elementary (2:30-5:00pm)
 3. Wednesdays: Chimborazo Elementary (7:30-10:30am)
 4. Thursdays: George Wythe (2:30-5:30pm)
 5. Fridays: Boushall Middle (7:30-10:30am)
- **Attendance:** We are tracking attendance. It's important that all scholars report to all classes. We are making phone calls from our attendance team for all scholars who have missed three days. Once a scholar reaches five days, we will proceed with an attendance letter; anything over five, we will notify the family liaison and school's social worker. Please be sure to make the main office aware of absences by calling (804) 780-4332 or emailing Ms. Spruell at sspruell@rvaschools.net

As always, thanks for your partnership in education. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the main office (804) 780-4332. I can also be reached by email at kmassenb@rvaschools.net. Please remember: we are Pharaohs, leading the way while Standing Firm in Our Excellence.....ALL IN, ALL ONE, ALL PHARAOHS!

Mrs. Kenya Massenburg

RCHS Principal