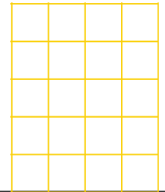


SCHOOL YEAR-END EDITION! NEWSLETTER



A MESSAGE FROM MS. O'MARA

Dear RKA Families and Students-

As we approach mid-May, things really start to ramp up at the school. As you are aware we are deep into testing season, and we are so proud of our students as they show what they know on NYS tests, NYSESLAT, AP exams, finals, Regents, and the various other tests, assessments, and projects they have put so much hard work into.

We know school is hard, and we want to celebrate these accomplishments with our students and with you. We have prepared this end of year newsletter and organized it by grade level so that you may see the important schedule changes, celebrations, and events yet to come in 2026. Invitations will be sent home shortly for all of the awards events. For the time being, mark those calendars, and we look forward to celebrating with you soon!

Sincerely,
Principal O'Mara



Last PA Meeting
Monday, June 1
7:00 PM
Thank you, RKA PA!



End of Year Celebrations & Special Events!

- 5/18- 7th grade Trip
- 5/20-Tiger Tourney,
- 5/25 Memorial Day (no school)
- 5/26 & 5/28-Spring Arts Festival
- 5/26 Senior Trip
- 5/27-Eid al-Adha (no school)
- 5/29-HS Athletics Awards
- 6/1-Senior Awards
- 6/2 8th Grade Trip
- 6/4-Chancellor's Conference Day (no classes)
- 6/4- Senior Prom
- 6/5-Art in the AM +
Full Day of school for 6-12 schools
- 6/8-8th Grade Awards
- 6/9-7th Grade Awards
- 6/9 and 6/10- Regents/Special Schedule
- 6/10 - 6th Grade Trip
- 6/11 Clubs end
- 6/11 8th Grade Dance
- 6/12-You Make a Difference
- 6/15-High School (9-11) Awards
- 6/16-6th Grade Awards
- 6/17-6/25-Regents Week/Special Schedule
- 6/19-Juneteenth (no school)
- 6/25-Moving Up Ceremony (10:00 AM),
- 6/25-High School Graduation (2:00 PM),
- 6/26-Last Day of School!



GRADES 6 & 7



6th GRADE TRIP TO LEGOLAND!

LIMITED SPOTS!
FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED

COST: \$75

TRIP DATE: JUNE 10th

Lunch Included!

Lego exhibits, rides + a water playground

Due by: May 1st

For any questions email: Spurdy@schools.nyc.gov

PERMISSION SLIPS & MONEY DUE TO:
MS. PURDY, ROOM B24.



7th GRADE TRIP TO PHILADELPHIA

LIMITED SPOTS!
PERMISSION SLIPS DUE TO MS. PURDY IN B24

Price: \$70

To secure your place, submit permission slips and money ASAP.

Final deadline: 4/24/26.

The trip will close as soon as capacity is reached.

Enjoy sight-seeing and visiting the Museums of the American Revolution, The Betsy Ross House, The Liberty Bell, and more!

WHEN: MAY 18th

AWARDS NIGHT!



GRADE 6 Tuesday, June 16th

GRADE 7 Tuesday, June 9th

Both events start at 6:30 in the RKA Auditorium for invited students and their families.

FINALS

All Academic and Arts classes will include a final exam. Exams take place over two days. Finals for MS begin on **5/21 and conclude 6/05.**

5/21 and 5/22 Math and SS
5/29 and 6/01 ELA and Science
6/02 and 6/03 Spanish Grade 7

WHAT DOES "SPECIAL SCHEDULE" MEAN ON THE RKA CALENDAR?

Grade 6 - Every day is a normal school schedule until June 26

Grade 7 - June 9 and 10, normal schedule. June 18-25 - No in-person classes. Optional remote learning available (ELA 9:10 AM, Math 8:20 AM).

Last Day of School - June 26!!

WELCOME
HIGH SCHOOL
CLASS OF 2030!



RKA ACCEPTED STUDENTS NIGHT

NOW THAT YOU'VE BEEN
ACCEPTED,
COME LEARN HOW TO
MAXIMIZE YOUR HS
EXPERIENCE!

- Meet our HS staff
- Meet our students
- Athletics
- Extra Curriculars
- Giveaways



13 MAY 2026
6:00 PM
RKA AUDITORIUM
660 W 237, BRONX
JPRINCE4@SCHOOLS.NYC.GOV

STUDENTS
& FAMILIES
REGISTER
HERE:



“ ONCE A TIGER,
ALWAYS A TIGER ”

GRADE 8

RIVERDALE KINGSBRIDGE ACADEMY

8TH GRADE SEMI-FORMAL DANCE
PRESENTS
Masquerade Night
A Magical Evening
of Style & Celebration at
THE FAIRWAYS AT DUNWOODIE
MASKS • MUSIC • GLAMOUR • DINNER
June 11th | 5 PM to 9 PM

8TH GRADE STUDENTS WHO CHOSE PACKAGE A OR C

STUDENTS MUST HAVE 90% OF AVAILABLE BEHAVIOR POINTS

PERMISSION SLIPS ARE HANDED INTO MS. PURDY IN B24 BY MAY 22ND

END OF YEAR
8TH GRADE
TRIP TO
WOODMONT CAMP

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

- PEDAL BOAT
- ROCK CLIMBING
- HIKING
- ARCHERY
- VARIOUS SPORTS

JUNE 2ND

STUDENTS WHO HAVE PAID FOR PACKAGE A OR B

- BBQ: HAMBURGERS, HOTDOGS, WATERMELON & DRINKS
- KETTLE CORN TRUCK
- 8TH GRADE T-SHIRT

Permission Slips to Ms. Purdy in B24 due by May 22nd

PSAL

Meeting for grades 8-11
interested in Fall 2026 sports
May 21 - 2:45 PM
Auditorium

FINALS

All Academic and Arts classes will include a final exam. Exams take place over two days. Finals for MS begin on 5/21 and conclude 6/05.

5/21 and 5/22 Math and SS
5/29 and 6/01 ELA and Science
6/02 and 6/03 Spanish Grade 7
6/03 and 6/05 Spanish 8th



AWARDS NIGHT!

Monday
June 8th
6:30 PM

RKA Auditorium

*Invited students and families



8TH GRADE

2026

Moving Up Ceremony

JUNE 25TH



STUDENTS ARRIVE
AT 9:00 AM



HIGH SCHOOL
HERE WE COME

DOORS OPEN AT 9:30 AM
CEREMONY STARTS: 10:00 AM

LOCATION: MOUNT SAINT VINCENT UNIVERSITY,
CARDINAL HAYES AUDITORIUM

REHEARSALS

June 11 - dismissed after rehearsal, return electronic devices, pouches, instruments

June 12- full day of school,

June 15 - full day of school, Yearbooks

June 23- Moving-Up tickets distributed, dismissed after rehearsal,

SPECIAL SCHEDULE

6/9 & 6/10- Normal schedule, all 8th graders attend full day

6/17-6/25 8th graders report to school for their scheduled Regents or Checkpoint A exams.

Regents tickets will be distributed June 3.

Questions? JAponte-Acosta@schools.nyc.gov



HIGH SCHOOL GRADES 9-11



FINALS

All Academic and Arts classes will include a final exam. Exams take place over two days. Finals for HS begin on 6/01 and conclude 6/15.

6/01 and 6/02 ELA and Science
6/03 and 6/05 WL & Arts
6/08 and 6/11 Math and SS
6/12 and 6/15 Make ups with medical documentation only

PSAL

Meeting for grades 8-11 interested in Fall 2026 sports. May 21 - 2:45 PM Auditorium

VARSITY ATHLETICS AWARDS

Friday, May 29
Periods 1-3
RKA Auditorium

AWARDS NIGHT!

Monday, June 15
6:30
RKA Auditorium
for invited students and their families.



SPECIAL SCHEDULE

High school students report to school for their scheduled Regents exams. Tickets will be distributed 6/2 and 6/3.

Questions?

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MPayne3@schools.nyc.gov

SLockhartLee@schools.nyc.gov





HIGH SCHOOL GRADE 12



VARSITY ATHLETICS AWARDS

Friday, May 29
Periods 1-3
RKA Auditorium

SENIOR TRIP 2026
THE LAST ONE!
DORNEY PARK & WILDWATER KINGDOM
TUESDAY, MAY 26, 2026
SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR THE FIRST 90 STUDENTS
Permission Forms & Payment Due by 5/21

REHEARSALS

- June 3-** return electronic devices, pouches, instruments
- June 15-** full day of school, Yearbooks
- June 22** -only attend for Regents and/or rehearsal
- June 23-** Commencement tickets and Caps and Gowns distributed



SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT!

Monday, June 1
6:30
RKA Auditorium
for invited students and their families.



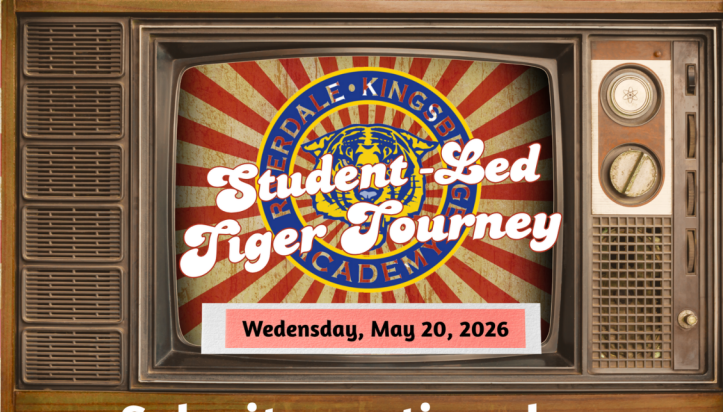
RKA Commencement
Thursday, June 25, 2026
2:00 PM
Univeristy of Mount St. Vincent



The Riverdale Kingsbridge Academy
Presents
Enchanted Forest
Class of 2026 Senior Prom
Thursday, June 4, 2026
6:00 - 11:00 PM
Surf Club on The Sound
260 Davenport Avenue, New Rochelle, NY 10805
Permission Forms & Payment Due by 5/22

THINGS EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW....

Save the Date!!



Submit questions here

You make a difference.

Nominate by 05/29/26
Celebration 6/12/26
7:15 AM RKA Library

Nominate someone who has made a difference in your life at RKA



Nominate here!



Riverdale Kingsbridge Academy
MS/HS 141

SPRING ARTS FESTIVAL

05.26.26 | Instrumental
05.28.26 | Vocal
Visual Arts on display throughout

RKA AUDITORIUM
7:00 PM



Art IN THE AM



Come to our annual visual arts show.
Selected pieces from grades 6-12



Friday, June 5
7:30-9:00 AM
RKA Main Entrance
Coffee and breakfast goodies

