

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS for CLASS OF 2021 & 2022

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AGENDA

- Introduction of Key People
- New Initiatives
 - Triple C Introduction
- Graduation Requirements
- Strategies for Success
- Course Offerings at RKA
- Sports/Clubs
- Questions

Important People

- Ms. Lustig – AP for the High School, all organizational issues
- Mr. Scholz and Mr. Sullivan – Subject Supervisors
- Ms. Lewis- 10th/11th grade Dean
- Mr. Cuomo – Other HS Dean
- Ms. Roberts- COSA All activities
- Ms. Kauschinger- Guidance Counselor
 - Last Names A-K
- Ms. Eisenberg – Guidance Counselor
 - Last Names L-Z
- Ms. Prince – Parent Coordinator

The logo features the text "Triple C" in a large, yellow, serif font on a blue rectangular background. Below this, the words "College. Career. Culture." are written in a smaller, blue, serif font on a yellow rectangular background. The entire logo is centered on a white background with a thin black border. In the background of the slide, there is a large, semi-transparent image of a compact disc (CD) with its characteristic spiral and reflective surface.

Triple C

College. Career. Culture.

What is it?

More time and staff devoted to getting students ready for life after high school (college, career, etc).

Also, more time for students to connect with their peers

When is it?

Every month

One half day

Special Triple C schedule
replaces students' normal
class schedule

Dates marked on
calendar

What will we do in that time?

**Summer
Opportunities
Fair
2/13/20!**

Activities change each month for example:

Career surveys

Registering for College Board

Figuring out Khan Academy

Summer Internships

Team building activities



Freshman, Sophomore, & Junior Underclassmen Dues

Brand New for 2019-2020

- ⇒ Full 144 page HS yearbook for ALL four classes and all school clubs and sports
- ⇒ Class Specific T-shirt to represent your grade
- ⇒ Homecoming favors during the pep rally*!

\$80 for the entire package before 11/27/19

Price goes up to \$100 on 12/2/19



*Handed out during homecoming Week in January 2020.

Show others the TIGER in YOU

- Take Responsibility
- Integrity at all times
- Grow and give back
 - Ever Persevere
 - Respect and Empathy
for others

Tiger Tokens



Download the app - **PBIS Rewards for students**

Type in: **Riverdale Kingsbridge Academy**

Scan Barcode on Student ID



How Can I Redeem My Tiger Tokens?

High School Menu

School Supplies in the Tiger Token Store	5-50 Tokens
Various prizes in the Tiger Token Store	5-50 Tokens
Tiger Token Parties	50 Tokens
Snacks/Soda/ Popsicles.....	20-50 Tokens
Trips to the Food Truck	40 Tokens
\$5 off school dances/ fieldtrips	50 Tokens
Raffles	Varies

More options may be added throughout the school year as needed.

**ALL TOKENS CAN BE REDEEMED IN ROOM B-24, THE ACTIVITIES OFFICE,
DURING YOUR LUNCH PERIOD.**

Tiger Tokens do not get carried over to the next school year.



Activities Policy:

In order to participate in school activities such as trips and dances students must meet the following policy:

- 90% attendance to school
- 85% Daily On Time Attendance
- You cannot fail more than 1 class
- Max of 1 disciplinary issue (ie classroom disruptions)

Administration will be checking ONE TIME per marking period- the day report cards are distributed- and students who do not meet the requirements will be excluded from ANY activity that falls in the next marking period.

Egregious disciplinary infractions (fighting, bullying, sexual harassment, drugs/alcohol/vandalism) will result in immediate removal for current and following marking period.

Deans Expectations

Orderly Arrival and Dismissal, transitions, and lunchroom

Punctuality

Late entrance has moved to the HS entrance

Dress Code

Social Media

Plagiarism

Continuing Initiatives at RKA

- PupilPath– On-line system that provides access to class grades, schedules, attendance and transcript information
 - If parent/guardian needs to reset your password you can do that on line
 - If a student needs to reset password they should see Ms. Lockhart
 - Teachers can also post assignments
- Remind- Text message or email service that will provide you with updates on activities and other important happenings that pertain to your child's grade links are on the rka141.org website

Off- Campus Lunch for 11th Graders:

- 11th Graders will be able to go off-campus for lunch with signed parental permission
- Students must meet eligibility requirements as specified for Activities
- Off-Campus Lunch privileges may be revoked by administration at ANY time
- Returning from Lunch late (after 12:57) or cutting after lunch - even once-will be grounds for revoking privileges immediately
- Pink form is available tonight, it must be returned to Ms. Lewis or handed, by a parent/guardian to Ms. Lustig tonight

Continuing Initiatives at RKA

- College Advising Corp
 - Ms. Soremi Lockhart
 - Will be making classroom visits
 - Can assist with College Board issues
- TurnItIn
 - Online platform to submit work
 - Documents are uploaded
 - Site reviews document and calculates % of “non-original” content, both online and within the building

Promotion Standards

- 8 credits: Promotion 9th to 10th
- 20 credits: Promotion 10th to 11th
 - 4+ credits in English
 - 4+ credits in Social Studies
- 30 credits: Promotion 11th to 12th
- 44 credits to graduate/plus required regents exams

High School Requirements: Subjects

- English 8 credits = 4 years
- Math 6 credits = 3 years
(Including 2 credits of Algebra and
at least 2 credits of
advanced math (e.g. , Geometry
or Algebra II))
- Social Studies 8 credits = 4 years
(Including Global Studies 1-4, US History
1 and 2, Participation in Government,
and Economics)
- Science 6 credits = 3 years
(Including 4 credits in lab
science)
- Foreign Lang 2-6 credits (min.2 credits required for
graduation)
- Art/Music 2 credits total
- Physical Ed. 8 Terms
- Health 1 credit
- Electives 3-7 credits

Regents Diploma Requirements

- Pass 5 Regents exams with a 65+
 1. Math
 2. Social Studies
 3. English
 4. Science
 5. And an additional Math, Social Studies or Science regent exam OR the LOTE exam (2018 or later)
- **In all courses that terminate in a regents exam, the regents grade will count as the final exam and 10% of the final grade.**

Advanced Regents Diploma

- Pass 9 exams with a 65+
 1. ELA Common Core
 2. Algebra Common Core
 3. US History Regents
 4. Global Studies Regents
 5. Geometry Common Core
 6. Algebra II Regents
 7. Science Regents
 8. 1 additional science Regents
 9. Foreign Language (LOTE)
- **In all courses that terminate in a regents exam, the regents grade will count as the final exam and 10% of the final grade.**

IEP Students

- These students are required to earn the same 44 credits.
- Regents diploma 65+ on the 5 required Regents exams.
- Local Diploma 55+ on one or more of the 5 required Regents exams OR the 45-54 Compensatory Score Option.

Credit Recovery

- Credit recovery for failed courses **may be** offered, based on DOE guidelines, which includes passing the Regents, to students who meet the attendance requirement and failed the class the previous semester.
- Students may “recover” a maximum of 3 credits in their entire High School career
- PM School: Students can earn one credit each semester by attending PM. These classes are subject to funding and are not guaranteed. PM School for this semester begins in mid-October.
- **A maximum of three credits can be earned in Summer School each year. Summer school cannot be used for advancement only remediation**

What can I do to help my child succeed?

- Make sure they have the tools to be successful
 - School supplies in a familiar place
 - Textbooks, when used, kept in a set location
 - A TI-84 calculator that they can use for homework, bring to school for exams, bring to the PSAT/SAT
 - Routines are critical
- Review the school calendar so you know when report cards will be sent home/available in PupilPath
- Periodically check PupilPath
- Help your child learn time management skills
- Encourage your child to make good choices in all areas of life
- Encourage your child to take a challenging course load
- Be aware of the requirements and expectations for each class
- Encourage your child to advocate for him/herself
- Reach out to guidance with any major concerns or information they need to know
- Encourage your child to find community service he/she enjoys
- Be realistic about college plans
 - Academically
 - Fiscally

Electives

Offered electives vary from year to year

- **Ceramics**
- **Painting Through History**
- **Intro to Coding**
- **Global Conflict & Resolution**
- **Criminal Law/Civil Law**
- **Pre-Calculus**
- **Scientific Research**
- **Bioethics**
- **Business & Finance**
- **Psychology**
- **Film Making**
- **Statistics**
- **Journalism**
- **I Have an Opinion...**
- **Drama**
- **Business & Finance**
- **Pre College Math**
- **Marketing & Media**

Course Offerings: AP courses

- Studio Art
- English Literature
- English Language
- US History
- Calculus
- Biology
- Spanish Language

Course Offerings: Dual Enrollment courses

These courses, for 11th and 12th grade students, are **credit bearing** from The College of Mount Saint Vincent. They are taught here at RKA by our staff using the syllabus, textbook and final exam from the college. Parents pay a fee to Mt. St. Vincent, currently only \$50/credit, and children receive a transcript for these classes from the college.

Current Offerings at RKA

- Human Biology
- Psychology

SPORTS

- PSAL for Girls
 - Soccer
 - Basketball
 - Volleyball
 - Softball
 - Cross Country
 - Track

CO-ED

- Golf
- Wrestling

- PSAL for Boys
 - Soccer
 - Basketball
 - Baseball
 - Cross Country
 - Track
 - Lacrosse

PSAT/SAT

- Tests reasoning & critical thinking skills.
- PSAT Given to 10th graders at RKA on March 5th
- 10th graders take the exam as
 - Practice for SAT
 - College Board Student Search service
 - Access to Khan Academy individualized SAT Practice
- **All 11th graders will have an opportunity to take the SAT here during the school day for free on March 4th!**
- Make sure you are prepared for all exams
 - Bring pens and pencils
 - Bring your graphing calculator

Community Service

- **40 hours required to graduate**
- **National Honor Society requires 10 additional hours every year student is a member**
- **Important component for those applying to 4 year colleges**

10th Graders Should:

- Pass and excel in all classes
- Take Honors and AP classes if appropriate
- Take advantage of extracurricular opportunities
- Use PSAT score to gauge areas for improvement prior to the SAT
- Use SAT preparation tools that are available
- Begin to work on your “Brag Sheet”

11th Graders Should:

- Pass and excel in all classes
- Get into other rigorous courses for senior year
- Prepare to take SAT in the spring
- Use breaks/vacations for enrichment or community service
- Update your “Brag Sheet”
- Begin to develop a list of college and/or majors they might be interested in
- Spend some time visiting colleges, in person or virtual tours
- Begin to write their college essay
 - This years prompts are available on-line; the prompts are similar year to year
- Set up the Common Application account the summer BEFORE senior year begins

Summer Breaks

- Make up any classes
- Community Service
- Shore up on skills
- Seek enrichment opportunities
 - Academic: College Now or other summer institutes
 - Test Prep
 - Personal development and leadership opportunities
- Visit Colleges
- Internships or jobs
 - New- Summer Opportunities Fair in February

Questions?????

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