

# Re-Opening Meeting for Families



Riverdale Kingsbridge Academy MS/HS 141  
August 27, 2020

# Re-Opening Page



[www.RKA141.org/re-opening-september.html](http://www.RKA141.org/re-opening-september.html)

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# Orientations

6th Grade - Sept 2 9:00 AM

7th Grade- Sept 2, 11:00 AM

8th Grade- Sept 2, 1:00 PM

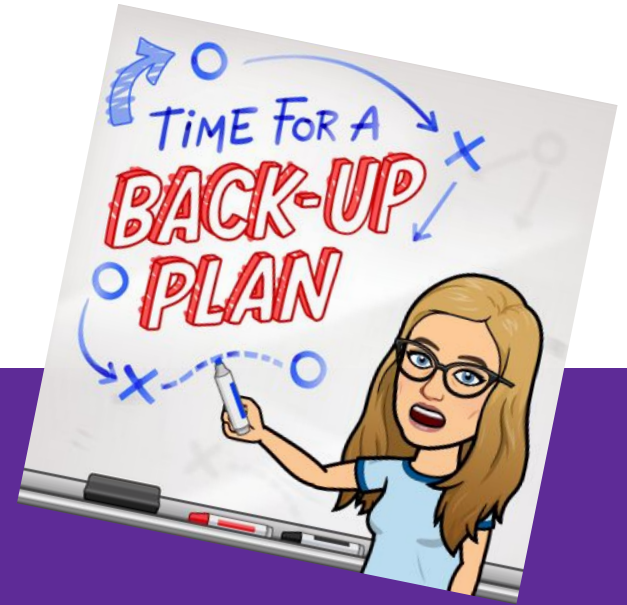
9th Grade- Sept 3 9:00 AM

10-12th Grade- Sept 3 12:00 Noon

\*\*Zoom info is on Re-Opening page

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# Instructional Matters



# Instructional Model

Teachers will vary direct/live instruction (synchronous) and supporting or independent activities (asynchronous)

Students (Blended and Remote) will have some synchronous and some asynchronous activities each day.

Students learning remotely will have opportunities to ask questions during the synchronous portion, office hours, and email.

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# Instructional Model

Entire school day is 8:30-2:00. We expect remote and blended students will be engaged throughout the day.

Schedule of synchronous and asynchronous learning will be shared including log in times.

Weekly planners will be shared by teachers.

All materials will be digitized for dissemination and collection

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# Student Groupings

Many factors involved in creation of classes- compliance, course requests, transcripts, siblings

Learning Preference

How to find your grouping

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# Special Education

School and teachers will implement the IEP as appropriate

ICT classes will be taught by two teachers (virtually and in person), maintaining a ratio of general education students and students with IEPs. Yellow and blue groups were balanced to replicate the ratio.

SETSS- Provided during elective via remote

SC- for blended students most are coming in on same day

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# Special Education

At this time Special Education bussing on IEPS is still in place

Most Counseling and Speech and OT will be done remotely (Some may be done in person if students are in the building.) Students are generally pulled from elective or arts classes.

IEP meetings/ Evals / Assessment will be done virtually

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# AP Classes

Students will be clustered for the majority of the day.

During the times that AP classes are offered (Most likely periods 4-7), AP students may need to relocate to the Auditorium

The Auditorium will be divided into cohort sections and individual seats will be spaced and assigned

Students will sit in “cohorts”, but then they can each log in to the class that they are enrolled in

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# Arts Classes

Music classes will be theory/ history based

Visual Art- students have items on the supply list and will be focusing on drawing, sketching etc.

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# Other Classes

Labs will be done virtually as a part of the science course for grades 8-12

PE will be done partially in person and remotely

Electives will be offered to HS, but there is very little “electing”, more like a designation

Social Emotional Learning and Brain Breaks will be coordinated over the PA system or by guided meditation/doodling projected over Zoom to classes and will be a part of every day.

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# Sample Class Composition for all MS and most HS

~14-15 Blended in Group A

~14-15 Blended in Group B

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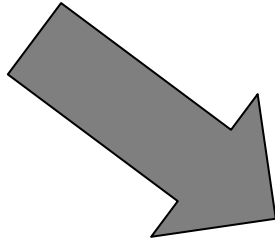
# High School Classes where groups did not align perfectly

Class 952 (ELA, Geo, Chem, Global)

15 Group A

15 Group B

Spanish 1

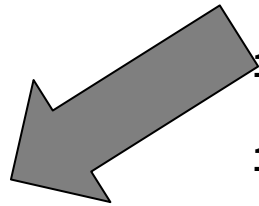


Class 953 (ELA, Alg, Bio, Global)

15 Group A

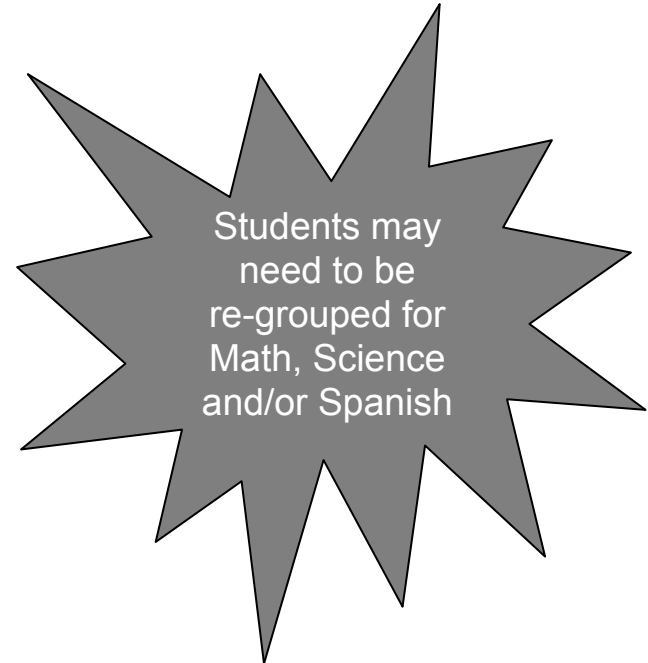
15 Group B

Spanish 1



## Spanish 3-

Some students may relocate to a new room for this course, some may log in to course from existing room  
\*\*Headphones



# Student Movement

Bathrooms - 1 out of class at a time; 2  
in the bathroom at a time

No assemblies

Some re-grouped classes

Trying to build in some movement for  
art, phys ed, music

Labeled stairwells

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# Getting Schedules and Google Classroom codes

Pupil Path- Sept 7 all new users get  
login

September 9 use log in to look at  
student's program in Pupil Path

List on Website of GC codes Sept 9  
evening

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# Learning Preference

Students can always move to 100% Remote Instruction

Students can ONLY join Blended Instruction at certain points in the year. November is the next one.

All preferences should be recorded in the same Learning Preference Survey (on our Re-Opening page)

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# Tech Support

Students need a device, not necessarily a DOE device

Help desk 718 935 5100

A phone is not a suitable device

[Request a device](#)

Keep your device if you have one

Setting up @NYCStudents.net accounts

Join grade level GCs now

# Organizational



# Attendance

Still awaiting the centralized  
attendance/ interaction protocol

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# Getting the Building Ready

☑ Signage ☑ Plexiglass dividers

☑ Sanitizer Dispensers

Spacing out furniture- next week

☑ Meetings with Custodian to review cleaning and sanitizing expectations for classrooms, common areas, bathrooms, high touch surfaces, lunch and breakfast clean up

DOE Walk thru- next week

☑ UFT Walk thrus ☑ DSF walk thru

☑ Windows open

# Getting the Building Ready

No outside classes

Scaffolding is still in place although work was deemed non-essential so it has been delayed

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# COVID Testing

Staff has optional expedited testing available at NYC sites

Students will not be tested at the school; parents may take children on their own.

Specific protocols for students showing symptoms when they arrive or during the day including isolating the students and contacting parents for pick up.

The DOE has ensured us that every school will have a nurse

# Opening Day “Packets”

*Going Virtual*

Some previously printed documents will be available on the website such as a Family and Student Handbook, Welcome Letter from me, Code of Conduct, etc.

Most forms will be filled out electronically with sign offs.

**\*\*Blue Cards are CRITICAL\*\***

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# Calendar

Riverdale Kingsbridge Academy MS/ HS 141			
Where is my child learning today?			
Sept			
10	Thursday	Yellow @ RKA	Blue @ home
11	Friday	@home	@ RKA @ home
12	Saturday		
13	Sunday	@home	@ RKA @ home
14	Monday	@RKA	@ home @ home
15	Tuesday	@home	@ RKA @ home
16	Wednesday	@RKA	@ home @ home
17	Thursday	@home	@ RKA @ home
18	Friday		
19	Saturday		
20	Sunday	@RKA	@ home @ home
21	Monday	@RKA	@ home @ home
22	Tuesday	@home	@ RKA @ home
23	Wednesday	@RKA	@ home @ home
24	Thursday	@home	@ RKA @ home
25	Friday		
26	Saturday		
27	Sunday	YOM KIPPUR- No Classes	
28	Monday	@RKA	@ home @ home
29	Tuesday	@home	@ RKA @ home
30	Wednesday	@home	

Waiting for DOE before releasing ours.

Sept 10 first day for students, YELLOW

Check website for updates- dynamic Google Calendar can now be added to yours!!

Family Calendar for Events

*PLUS,*

**Where is my child learning today?**

# Arrival and Dismissal

No early arrival

No congregating

No basketball courts

Random temperature checks for  
students-  thermometers have  
arrived

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# Arrival and Dismissal

1st Floor - Auditorium

2nd Floor- Under Arcade “D”

3rd Floor- Independence btwn 236/  
237- “E”

4th Floor - Staircase on 236th “B”

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# Transportation

Driving, walking, biking STRONGLY  
Suggested- Bike racks under arcade

Yellow bus for Grade 6 only

Metro Cards distributed for Blended  
students in first week

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**Community Service  
Honor Society**

**PSAL  
CHAMPS**

**Awards**

**Clubs**

**RCC**

*TBD*

*RCC questions- Email*

*[RCCAfterschool@riverdaleonline.com](mailto:RCCAfterschool@riverdaleonline.com)*

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# Returning Materials and Retrieving Items from Lockers

Blended- Bring items back in during Week 2, coordinated Locker clean out

Remote- Bring items back Monday the 14th

Remote- Locker clean out by appointment beginning Sept 21.  
Contact [JPrince4@schools.nyc.gov](mailto:JPrince4@schools.nyc.gov)

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# College Process

SAT - our intention is to offer the Spring one as we have for several years now, but we are awaiting DOE guidance.

Changing application “landscape” - GCs are working on communicating in early fall

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# Misc


Air pods will not work with many devices

Supply List is for all Blended and Remote students

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at the  
Orientations!

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