FAQs for RSS Parents - June 2020

Can students fail if they were passing at the end of term two?

- Every student’s learning achievement is different and will be considered individually.

- Most students considered to be ‘passing’ at the end of Term Two would have demonstrated sufficient evidence of learning to have been assigned Letter Grades of C or better. However, if a student receiving Letter Grades of C- or I before spring break has not been able to provide additional evidence of their learning after spring break, it will be important for the student and family to communicate with the teacher and school administration to work together on how best to support the student’s learning.

- Generally, most students who were passing a course before spring break should be able to transition successfully to the next course.

Will there be separate term three marks reported or just a final mark?

- The focus this year is on determining a Final Mark. Teachers are not required to determine a discrete Third Term or Quarter Four Mark during the time of remote learning.

How will final marks be determined in June 2020?

- All students will receive a final report card based on where they were prior to spring break, and the learning opportunities they have been engaging in at home during the suspension of in-person classes after spring break. Remote and online learning will be included in the final mark.

- Teachers will use their professional judgement, their assessment criteria, and evidence of learning to determine if a student has demonstrated sufficient evidence of learning.

- Teachers will assess what individual students know, understand, and are able to demonstrate to determine whether sufficient learning has taken place to enable the student to pursue further learning in the curricular and content area.

- Every student’s learning journey is unique and needs to be supported appropriately. Teachers will take into consideration the different and challenging circumstances that each student and family is currently experiencing during the pandemic. However, to be successful at the next level, students will need to demonstrate the essential learning standards of each course.

When and how will students and parents be able to see final marks?

- On Thursday, June 25, we will publish final report cards on the MyEducation BC Student and Parent Portal. Please note, that any marks viewed before the final report card on June 25 are draft only.
When is the last day of school in 2020?

- The last day of school is Thursday, June 25. No new learning will happen after June 19. Students and parents can anticipate a steady decrease in remote learning as the end of June nears. Partial in-school support will run from June 1-19. June 22-25 will be “learning completion days” for students who still need to complete assignments.

Will the school present any student awards and honour roll recognition this year?

- The school will recognize students for exemplary achievement in athletics, service, subject awards and honour roll. Certificates will be distributed on June 22.

How will my teen clean out their locker?

- To maintain physical distancing and safety, the school will schedule specific days and times when students can safely come to school to clean-out their locker and return all textbooks, school equipment, instruments, and Colts uniforms.

How will my teen get their yearbook?

- The school will organize scheduled times for students to come to the school to pick up their yearbook on Monday, June 22. To maintain physical distancing and safety, students and families will receive an email with a specific time. Note - students must return all textbooks and pay any outstanding fees to receive their yearbook.

What will school look like in September?

- The school is looking forward to welcoming students back in September; however, all schools in BC will follow the directions of the Provincial Health Officer, the Ministry of Education, and the Richmond School District. We are planning for all possibilities – a full return to school, a hybrid of blended learning - combining remote learning and in-class learning, or a continuation of remote learning. A lot will depend on how our society is managing COVID-19.

How and when will we find out what school will be like in September?

- Parents and students are urged to follow the school on Twitter and bookmark or subscribe to our website. We will post information during the summer and detailed information about school start-up will be emailed to all RSS families and posted on the website in the last week of August.