



October 12 – October 16, 2026

Monday 12	Tuesday 13	Wednesday 14	Thursday 15	Friday 16
	EFGH	A-PLT-BCD	E-PLT-FGH	ABCD
Thanksgiving Holiday		PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm	UVIC Visit @ Lunch	
RSS CAFETERIA MENU				
school closed	Soup: Mexican Beef Main: Beef Chili & Butter Bun	Soup: Vietnamese Coconut Chicken Main: Vietnamese Beef Meatball Rice Vermicelli Soup Bowl	Soup: Creamy Potato Bacon Main: Alfredo Ham Pasta with Crispy Bacon Strip	Soup: Clam Chowder Main: Assorted Pizza

THANKSGIVING MESSAGE

However you choose to celebrate, we wish all our students, families and caregivers a very happy Thanksgiving long weekend. We hope you have an opportunity to slow down, connect with family and friends, and spend some time enjoying the land we are privileged to live, learn and gather on.

From all of us at Richmond Secondary, **Happy Thanksgiving!**



PAC MEETING — October 14 at 6:30 pm

Guest Speaker: Donna Matheson, RSS Alumni Association
As we celebrate Richmond Secondary School's 100th anniversary, we are pleased to welcome Donna Matheson.

Donna will share:

- The history of Richmond Secondary and the Alumni Association, including some of the ways alumni have contributed to our school community over the years.
- Information about BC Gaming Funds, including their purpose and how these funds can support students and our school community.
- Ways parents and caregivers can become involved in supporting Richmond Secondary.

The meeting will be held in person in the Library Learning Commons, and light refreshments will be served. We look forward to seeing you there!

GRADE 12 POST-SECONDARY PLANNING

Earlier this week, many parents and caregivers joined us for an evening presentation with Ms. Sai Kaladindi, our Career Advisor. She shared a wealth of information to help Grade 12 students and their families navigate post-secondary pathways, applications, scholarships and planning for life after graduation.

If you were unable to attend the presentation, there is a wealth of information available through the RSS Career Centre and RSS Counselling website: [RSS Career Centre](#) || [RSS Counselling — Grads](#)

As always, if you have questions about post-secondary planning, please contact Ms. Kaladindi or your child's counsellor.

OUR COUNSELLING TEAM

We are pleased to share that our RSS Counselling Department is now fully staffed. We are very happy to welcome Mr. Jon Mackay to our counselling team.

Our counsellors are assigned to students alphabetically by last name. Please see the current alpha split and days in the office below.

Counsellor	Email	Alpha	Days
B. Schneebeli	bschneebeli@sd38.bc.ca	A–Ha	M–F
U. Pedersen	upedersen@sd38.bc.ca	He–Le	T, W, F
J. Mackay	jmackay@sd38.bc.ca	Li–Mar	M–Th
T. Huynh	thuynh@sd38.bc.ca	Mas–S	M, T(am), W, Th
C. Kelly	ckelly@sd38.bc.ca	T–Z	M–F

If you have questions or concerns related to your child's academic program, graduation requirements, course planning, post-secondary planning or other student supports, please feel free to contact your child's counsellor by email or phone.

MYED PARENT PORTAL

A reminder to families that the MyEdBC Parent Portal provides parents and caregivers with access to important information about their child's school experience.

Through the Parent Portal, families can view information such as attendance, schedules, marks and other student information. We encourage all parents and caregivers to ensure they have access to their MyEdBC account and check the portal regularly.

If you need assistance accessing the Parent Portal or setting up your account, please visit our RSS information page:

[MyEdBC Parent Portal Information — Richmond Secondary School](#)

FRAMEWORK FOR ENHANCING STUDENT LEARNING

At Richmond Secondary, we are committed to continually examining how we can support student learning, achievement and well-being.

The Framework for Enhancing Student Learning (FESL) is an important part of this work across Richmond School District. The annual FESL report provides an opportunity to look closely at student learning data, identify areas of strength and growth, and determine where we can continue to improve.

The 2026 Richmond School District report highlights the district's ongoing commitment to improving outcomes for all students through evidence-informed planning, continuous improvement and a focus on equity and student success.

Families are welcome to learn more about the district's 2026 FESL report here: [Framework for Enhancing Student Learning Report 2026](#)

RICHMOND SECONDARY SCHOOL STORY — GRADE 8 LITERACY

As part of our ongoing commitment to student learning, our Grade 8 students recently participated in a Literacy Performance-Based Assessment (PBA).

Teachers from across different curricular areas have been working collaboratively to assess student work using the BC Proficiency Scale. The results will help us better understand our students' literacy strengths and areas for growth and will inform our next steps as a school.

This work is part of our Richmond Secondary School Story, where we regularly examine evidence of student learning and use that information to guide our teaching and learning practices.

We look forward to sharing more about our school story and the learning happening at RSS throughout the year. [RSS School Story](#)

UPCOMING DATES...

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| • Wednesday, Oct. 14 | PAC Meeting @ 6:30pm |
| • Monday, Oct. 19 | GR 10 Yearbook Photos |
| • Friday, Oct. 23 | Pro-D Day – school closed |
| • Tuesday, Oct. 27 | Photo Retake Day |
| • Wednesday, Oct. 28 | GR 11 Yearbook Photos |
| • Thursday, Oct. 29 | Informal Learning Update #1 |
| • Saturday, Oct. 31 | Halloween |

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