



Roseville Area High School

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Dear 9th Grade and New to RAHS Students and Families:

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year at RAHS! We are looking forward to welcoming you back to school. **The first day of school for the 9th Graders and New to RAHS Students is Tuesday, September 4, 2018.**

We invite both students and families to the **Ninth Grade/New to RAHS Orientation on Monday, August 27** (*more details are on the enclosed sheet*). This is an important opportunity to get your school picture and pick up your school-issued iPad. Student schedules will also be available online for students starting on this date. You may arrive anytime between 3:00 and 6:00 p.m. Please allow one hour for this orientation and **be sure to update and bring the completed yellow Student Health and Emergency Form enclosed.** On this date, we will also be holding two student and family meetings in the Lloyd C. Nielsen Performing Arts Center at either 4:00 or 6:00 p.m. Please attend at one of these times during the evening of August 27 (If you are unable to come to the 9th grade orientation on August 27, feel free to come to the 10-12th grade orientation on August 21 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.).

On the **first day of school - Tuesday, September 4**, all 9th graders and New to RAHS students will spend the day meeting their teachers and learning about the RAHS community. Our Student Welcome Leaders will help them navigate their way around the building, learn their schedule and start to feel a sense of belonging in our community. So that our ninth graders have the time they need to get to know the Raider Way, all 10th, 11th, and 12th grade students will join them on the second day of school - Wednesday, September 5.

Enclosed you will find the following pieces of information:

- ◆ Student Health and Emergency Form
- ◆ 9th Grade Orientation Information
- ◆ Highlights of Student Handbook for Families
- ◆ All students will have their picture taken at orientation for the yearbook and school ID. Packets will be available at orientation so you can order at orientation or online at www.mylifetouch.com.

A friendly reminder that student schedules will not be changed unless a parent/guardian and the school counselor has approved a change. Schedule changes only occur in rare instances as we base our staffing on your registration. The following are acceptable reasons to make an appointment with your counselor for a schedule change:

- ◆ Taken the class already
- ◆ Missing a class
- ◆ Have two classes scheduled at the same time

Don't forget to stay updated on school information on the school website and the RAHS Activities and Athletics calendar. These can be accessed online at:

<https://www.isd623.org/school/roseville-area-high-school>
www.suburbaneast.org

Again, welcome to the 2018-2019 school year at RAHS!

Ms. Christina Hester
Principal



9th Grade and New to RAHS Student Orientation

Monday, August 27, 2018

3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Arrive any time between 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Enter thru Lloyd C. Nielsen auditorium doors.

Begin in the cafeteria and go from step to step in an open house format.

Please allow one hour to complete the following steps.

(If you are unable to attend on August 27, you are welcome to come to the 10-12th grade orientation on August 21 from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. or from 2:00 p.m.-6:00 pm)

Student and Family Meetings are held in the auditorium at

4:00 or 6:00 pm on Aug. 27 only.

- **All students** turn in yellow Student Health and Emergency Form. Both sides must be filled in and have parent/guardian signature.
- All students have to pick up their iPad at orientation.
- Student schedules will be available online starting August 21, 2018.
- **All students** have picture taken by Lifetouch for the yearbook and photo ID. A packet from Lifetouch will be available at orientation if you are interested in ordering school pictures or you may order online at www.mylifetouch.com. **All students need to have their picture taken for a student ID even if you are not purchasing a picture packet.**
- Optional - Purchase Locks: One lock is needed for your hall locker and is available for \$5.00. You may use your lock from RAMS/PCS if it is a V695 or V617 (printed on back of lock). An additional red lock will need to be purchased for \$5.00 to be used for PE lockers. These locks can be used for all four years at RAHS. You cannot use a personal lock on your school or PE locker.
- Optional - Order and pay for a yearbook. (\$80.00)
- Optional - Pay into lunch account with check or cash. To pay online by credit/debit card, go to www.paypams.com. Free/reduced lunch applications have been mailed to all households and will also be available at orientation. (Secondary Lunch \$3.00, Secondary Breakfast \$1.90)
- **Once you have received your class schedule, you should take a tour of the building to locate your classrooms.**
Teachers and program supervisors will be available to answer questions and provide information about classes, student support services, athletics, activities, and health services.

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Frequently Asked Questions

The RAHS handbook in its entirety is accessible at www.isd623.org/rahs/. We encourage parents/guardians and students to read and discuss its contents. The handbook describes how RAHS functions-- its rules, regulations, activities, facilities and services. For your convenience, we have provided the following answers to frequently asked questions.

Our Student Support Services Team is committed to supporting students, parents/guardians and staff. We have seven counselors as well as a school psychologist, career specialist, registrar, police liaison officer, school nurse and health assistant. The Student Support Services Team at RAHS is designed to provide students and parents/guardians with a contact person at the high school. If you have a question/concern about your experience at RAHS, please contact the appropriate counselor below. He/she will assist you or direct you to the appropriate staff member.

John Kaiser	A-Gp	651-635-1677
James Stern	Gq-L	651-604-1463
Amber Krug	M-Sb	651-635-1679
Michele Edwards	Sc-Z	651-604-1462
Tom Tillberry	PSEO/NE Metro/AP/AVID	651-604-1488
Ger Vue	EL	651-604-1483
Hannah Graham	Connections/Am. Indian	651-604-1421

Appointments / Vacations / Messages

Regular attendance promotes student success. We ask your cooperation in scheduling appointments after 2:45 pm whenever possible. A student calendar is enclosed for your reference in scheduling family vacations during school vacations.

Phone messages for students will be taken from parents/guardians only, and classes will only be interrupted in cases of emergency.

Attendance

Parents/guardians must notify the Attendance Office of a student absence by calling 651-604-1465 on the day of the absence or through a note before the absence or on the day of return (with full name of student, date(s) of absence, parent/guardian signature, date and daytime phone number).

Students leaving school during the school day for any reason must check out in advance via a note or phone call from a parent/guardian through the Attendance Office or the Nurse's Office before they are released. Students will only be released to a parent/guardian or emergency contact you provided.

Bus Routes & Pickup Times

The route numbers and pickup times will be mailed from the District Center Transportation Office. If you have a question, please call the district office at 651-635-1638.

Dress Codes

Appearance and dress should be in good taste at all times.

Driver's Education

The first session of Driver's Education begins in early September. Additional sessions will be offered throughout the year. Forms are on the RAHS website under Activities.

Electronic Devices

RAHS will not accept responsibility for lost or stolen valuables.

Electronic Lunch Accounts

The secondary lunch cost is \$3.00, secondary breakfast is \$1.90, and milk is \$.50. Each student will have a pre-paid electronic lunch account. Deposits may be made into student lunch accounts before 9:30 am in the white Lunch Money box in the Student Support Services office or at the breakfast ala carte line before 8:10 am. You may also make a deposit at the parent/student orientation or mail deposits directly to the District Center Food Services Office. To pay online by credit/debit card, go to www.paypams.com

Fall Season Athletic Family & Individual Passes

A seasonal family pass, which will admit parents/guardians and children in 8th grade or younger accompanied by a parent/guardian, to unlimited home athletic events at RAHS, RAMS or Parkview will be available for purchase at the gate or in the high school Activities Office (651-635-1670.)

Family season pass	\$50.00	Individual student season pass	\$25.00
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Fall Sports Sign-up

Fall sports begin on August 13. Sign-up began July 1. Registration and payment is done through FeePay. 2018-2019 MSHSL physical forms are available on our website at www.isd623.org/athletics/athleticsinfo/. Call the Activities Office at 651-635-1670 for more information.

Free & Reduced Lunch Applications

These applications are mailed to each home in August. Please return the completed form to Food Services Department, District Center, 1251 W. County Road B-2, Roseville, MN 55113.

Hazing / Harassment/Bullying

Roseville Area High School values the dignity of each individual student. Any form of bullying, harassment, intimidation, discrimination, or hazing will not be tolerated. Harassment of any type is inconsistent with the educational goals of the school district and prohibited at all times. We urge parents/guardians not to permit their son(s) or daughter(s) to become involved in these activities.

Identification Cards – Student ID's

Students will be issued ID cards in the fall after pictures are taken by Lifetouch at orientation. The cards are necessary for general identification for school purposes. Students are expected to carry their ID during school hours. Replacement of student ID will be \$5.00.

Locks & Lockers

Lockers are considered school property and are provided for student use by the school. School officials may enter lockers at any time it is suspected the locker contains alcoholic beverages, chemicals, weapons, or other items considered potentially harmful or unlawfully obtained. Valuable items or money should not be kept in lockers. For safety and security, individual padlocks are required on each hall and physical education locker. Locks cost \$5.00 and will be for sale at orientation.

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held each trimester. Please mark your calendars now.

Bring a copy of your student's class and teacher names with you.

Trimester 1

Oct. 16 arena style in café and upper gym from 3:30 p.m.-7:30 pm

Trimester 2

January 17 arena style in café and upper gym from 3:30 p.m.-7:30 pm

Trimester 3

April 18 arena style in café and upper gym from 3:30 p.m.-7:30 pm

Parking

All junior and senior students parking in the RAHS parking lots must have a parking permit and park in designated student parking. See the Activities Office for complete details.

Report Card Information

For the 2018-19 year, trimesters will end on November 29, February 28, and June 6. Grades may be checked on ParentVue and StudentVue through Synergy and are updated approximately every two weeks. Report cards will not be mailed.

Synergy

Roseville Schools has implemented a Student Information System called Synergy. Synergy is a completely web-based system that tracks class schedule, grade, attendance, health and discipline data for each student. A component of this package includes a ParentVue portal. Parent account activation is a self-registration process. **Once registered, parents will continue to use their same**

chosen user name and password for all of their children in the RAS system until they graduate. If you have not registered and need an activation code, please call Sharon Harten after September 24 in the main office at 651-635-1664 or e-mail her at sharon.harten@isd623.org.

School Hours

High school student hours are from **8:10 am to 2:40 pm**.

Main office hours are from **7:00 am to 3:30 pm**.

School Nurse / Medication

The school nurse is available to students who have health concerns that affect them at school. Students with medication needs are to register their prescriptions with the health assistant accompanied by a note from a parent/guardian. If you have school related health questions, please call the Health Office at 651-604-1474.

Transcripts

Transcripts are available upon request from Parchment Secure Transcript. Students order transcripts directly from Parchment at www.parchment.com. There is a small fee for each transcript.

Videotaping

For some of our District 623 families, privacy is an extremely important safety consideration. When this is so, the school district does not allow use of any pictures of protected children in any form of media. As videotaping becomes easier and more popular, all of us in the school community might be in a position to unknowingly place families at risk. Help our families stay safe. If school performances are videotaped by individuals, please be sure the program does not end up posted on the Internet but stays in your possession.

Voice Mail & E-Mail Information

Roseville Area High School has voice mail accessibility to access a staff member's voice mailbox by dialing 651-604-1439 and listening for prompts. Staff can also be reached via email at firstname.lastname@isd623.org. A RAHS office phone list is included in this mailing for your convenience.

Website

The district website is www.isd623.org. The RAHS website is www.isd623.org/RAHS. The live RAHS building schedule and athletic/activities schedule can be viewed at www.suburbaneast.org.

Yearbooks

Yearbooks may be purchased at orientation and the beginning of school and will be distributed in the spring.