

ROCKPORT HIGH
SCHOOL



Parent Resources: Guidebook

2018 – 2019

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August 21, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am so excited to welcome our students to Rockport High School on August 29th! Whether you are a new family to Rockport or are returning back for another year, you have a lot to look forward to as we enter the 2018-19 school year. Through this Parent/Guardian Guidebook, I am hoping to provide clarity and ease as you assist your child throughout their time at Rockport High School. Although the book does not contain every piece of information you may need, it does cover many of the basic questions and information that parents often require. I will periodically review the guidebook and add relevant and important documents to it as the year progresses. Please utilize the provided contact information on page 3 if you have any questions that are not addressed in this manual.

As parents of high school students, I understand that obtaining information from your students directly can sometimes be a challenge! Please utilize the following online resources:

- **MIDAS:** Online student information system used by parents to access student schedules, grading information and course expectations.
- **Rockport High School Website:** For the latest information, important dates and planning information, please access the website. The Principal's page, Parents, Students, Guidance tabs, along with the News feed and calendar will all support your efforts in keeping up to date with important school events and expectations.
- **The Student Handbook:** Available on the Parent & Student tabs of the website. The handbook offers a detailed look at the student expectations at the high school level.
- **The Viking Vibes tab of the website:** A copy of the daily announcements is posted daily on the website under the Viking Vibes tab.

Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can assist you at any time. I look forward to seeing you all at our RHS Open House scheduled for Thursday, September 20, 2018 at 7pm in the Auditorium.

Sincerely,

Amy E. Rose

Amy Rose
Principal

CONTACT INFORMATION

To ensure that parents/guardians know who to contact for frequently asked questions, we have put together a 2018-19 FAQs sheet. In addition, we hope the top section of this page will provide you some information around new office staff that families may need to utilize on a regular basis.

Main Office		978-546-1234
Amy Rose	Principal	arose@rpk12.org
Ann-Marie Luster	Dean of Students	aluster@rpk12.org
Donna Cody	Administrative Assistant	dcody@rpk12.org
Julia Quirk	Attendance Clerk	jquirk@rpk12.org
Counseling Services		
Heather Murphy (A-K)	Guidance Counselor	hmurphy@rpk12.org
Ruth Price (L-Z)	Guidance Counselor	rprice@rpk12.org
Amanda Osier	Administrative Assistant	aosier@rpk12.org
Courtney Wilson	Adjustment Counselor	cwilson@rpk12.org
Curriculum Coordinators		
Rebecca Mackay-Smith	English Department	rmackaysmith@rpk12.org
Ruth Price	Guidance Coordinator	rprice@rpk12.org
Jodi Goodhue & Eric Vendt	Math Department	jgoodhue@rpk12.org; eventdt@rpk12.org
Scott Larsen	Social Studies Department	slarsen@rpk12.org
Eric Sabo	Science Department	esabo@rpk12.org
Lil Duffy	World Languages	lduffy@rpk12.org

QUESTIONS AND WHERE TO FIND THE ANSWERS

Rockport High School welcomes communication with parents and guardians. Use the list below as a guide to find the person most able to help you with your specific questions or needs.

- **I have a question about my child's grades, schedule or attendance.** Please use your MIDAS account to access MIDAS where all of these records are available. To get more information about MIDAS, please contact Donna Cody. If you are not able to find answers to your questions there, please contact Julia Quirk for attendance, the guidance department for scheduling, or the subject area teacher for grades by email (firstinitiallastname@rpk12.org - for example arose@rpk12.org) or call the main office at 978-546-1234 and leave a message.
- **I need to get a message to/contact my child.** Please contact the main office at 978-546-1234. If it is an emergency we will call your child from class to speak with you immediately. Otherwise we will give them the message at the end of class. Please do not contact your child on their personal cell phone during school hours.
- **I have changed my address/phone number.** Please contact the main office at 978-546-1234 so that we will be able to keep in contact with you.
- **I would like a meeting with the Principal.** Please make sure that you have first addressed your question or concern with the relevant staff member and Dean of Students. If your question or concern remains unresolved please contact the main office at 978-546-1234 to schedule an appointment with Ms. Rose, the high school Principal.
- **I would like a copy of my child's transcripts.** Please contact the guidance office at 978-546-1234.
- **I would like to find out about Special Education Services.** Please contact the Special Education Team Chairperson 6-12, Mercy Duffill at mduffill@rpk12.org, or 978-546-1234.
- **I would like to find out about college and career preparedness and school counseling services.** Please contact a member of the guidance team via email or by phone at 978-546-1234.
- **I have a question about the curriculum in one of my child's classes.** Contact the Curriculum Leader for that specific department.
 - **English** – Rebecca Mackay-Smith (rmackaysmith@rpk12.org)
 - **Guidance** – Ruth Price (rprice@rpk12.org)
 - **Math** – Jodi Goodhue (jgoodhue@rpk12.org) & Eric Vendt (eventd@rpk12.org)
 - **Science** – Eric Sabo (esabo@rpk12.org)
 - **Social Studies** – Scott Larsen (slarsen@rpk12.org)
 - **World Languages** – Lil Duffy (lduffy@rpk12.org)
- **I would like to find out about the PSAT, SAT, and/or ACT.** Please contact the guidance department via email or phone at 978-546-1234.
- **I would like to find out about MCAS prep.** Please contact Ms. Ann-Marie Luster at aluster@rp12.org or 978-546-1234.



ROCKPORT HIGH SCHOOL
2018-19 GRADING SCHEDULE

Dates	Quarter One	Quarter Two	Quarter Three	Quarter Four
Start Date	8/29/2018	11/5/2018	1/28/2019	4/8/2019
Midterm Date	10/5/2018	12/14/2018	3/8/2019	5/10/2019
End Date	11/2/2018	1/25/2019	4/5/2019	TBD
Report Cards Distributed	11/8/2018	1/31/2019	4/11/2019	TBD
Senior Midterm Date				5/3/2019
Senior Exams				5/28-5/31/2019
Senior Grade Deadline				5/31 - Senior Failures. 6/6/2019 - Grades
Graduation				6/7/2019
Final Exams				TBD (depending on snow days)
Last Day (no snow days)				6/12/2019
Last Day (5 snow days)				6/19/2019



IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR PLANNING

September 20, 2018	RHS Open House @ 7pm in Auditorium
September 25, 2018	Senior College Planning Night @ 5:30pm in Auditorium
October, 10, 2018	Seniors Helping Seniors (all day)
October 10, 2018	PSATs for all juniors & sophomores (by choice)
November 6, 2018	No School for students
January 31, 2019	Junior College Planning Night @ 5:30 in the Auditorium
February 7, 2019	RHS Course Selection Night @ 7pm in the Auditorium
April 25, 2019	RPS Gives Back: A First Night for Education (Downtown Student Expo)
May 14, 2019	Fine Arts Awards Night @ 7pm in the Auditorium
May 15, 2019	Senior Showcase (Shalin Liu Performance Center)
June 3, 2019	Spring Athletic Awards Night
June 4, 2019	Senior Banquet/Awards Night
June 7, 2019	Graduation

2018-19 Half Day for Students (dismissal at 11am, no food services provided):

- October 9, 2018
- November 21, 2018 (Day before Thanksgiving Holiday)
- December 12, 2018
- December 21, 2018 (Day before Holiday vacation)
- February 5, 2019
- February 15, 2019 (Day before February vacation)
- March 12, 2019
- April 12, 2019 (Day before April vacation)
- May 17, 2019 (Prom Day!)

Mid-Term Exams - Please save these dates as students will only be required to attend school during their scheduled exam times. Buses run a regular schedule so you will need to plan ahead if your student requires private transportation on those days. A detailed schedule will be sent home in December.

January 22-25, 2019

MCAS:

MCAS Subject/Grade Level	Dates
Grade 10 ELA	March 26 & 27, 2019 (computer-based)
Grade 10 Math	May 21 & 22, 2019 (computer-based)
Grade 9 Biology	June 4 & 5, 2019 (paper-based)



2018-19 MASTER SCHEDULE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
A 7:35-8:27 (52)	C 7:35-8:47 (72)	A 7:35-8:47 (72)	A 7:35-8:27 (52)	A 7:35-8:27 (50)
B 8:29-9:39 (70)	B 8:49-9:39 (50)	D 8:49-9:39 (50)	B 8:29-9:19 (50)	D 8:29-9:19 (50)
C 9:41-10:31 (50)	D 9:41-10:51 (70)	C 9:41-10:31 (50)	D 9:21-10:11 (50)	B 9:21-10:11 (50)
E 10:33-11:23 (50)	E 10:53-11:43 (50)	E 10:33-11:23 (50)	C 10:13-11:03 (50)	E 10:13-11:23 (70)
U BLOCK 11:25-12:26	U BLOCK 11:45-12:58	U BLOCK 11:25-12:26	G 11:05-12:45 (70)	U BLOCK 11:25-12:26
F 12:28-1:18 (50)	F 1:00-2:10 (70)	G 12:28-1:18 (50)	U BLOCK 12:47-2:10 (83)	G 12:28-1:18 (50)
G 1:20-2:10 (50)		F 1:20-2:10 (50)		F 1:20-2:10 (50)
M W F Lunch 1 11:25 - 11:55 Lunch 2 11:56 - 12:26		Tues Lunch 1 11:45 - 12:15 Lunch 2 12:28 - 12:58		Thurs Lunch 1 11:45 - 12:15 Lunch 2 12:15 - 12:45