

OCTOBER 20TH, 2023

# RIVER CITY ACADEMY

## Update

Phone: 907-714-6400  
Office Hours 7:00 AM-2:30 PM

46188 Sterling Hwy  
Soldotna, AK 99669



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**October 25th-** RCA Pizza Party for students that have completed their stamp card. Must have a completed card by the end of the school day on October 24th to be eligible.

**October 26th & 27th-** Student Led Conferences. No School.

**November 9th-** Early Release. Students will be dismissed at 12:40pm. Busses will run 90 minutes early in the afternoon.

**November 10th-** Vacation Day. No school.

### A MeSSage from Principal Shea

RCA will be hosting Student Led Conferences on October 26 & 27th. Students will secure a time with their parent and Mentor. Please reach out to your student's mentor via email if your student hasn't secured a Student-Led Conference.

Mrs. Nash- [dnash@kpbsd.org](mailto:dnash@kpbsd.org)

Mrs. Wiseman- [kwiseman@kpbsd.org](mailto:kwiseman@kpbsd.org)

Mrs. Suzanne- [sphillips2@kpbsd.org](mailto:sphillips2@kpbsd.org)

Mrs. Michelle- [mgist@kpbsd.org](mailto:mgist@kpbsd.org) (a Calendly invite was sent to parents in their email last week)

Shea - [shea.nash@g.kpbsd.org](mailto:shea.nash@g.kpbsd.org)

As a staff, we have been thinking about how RCA is different from other schools and how it serves students. What we love most is that we work together to give students chances to demonstrate their mastery of each skill! This mastery-based learning helps students grow in confidence and ability. And we are excited for the chance for them to share that growth with you!

-Shea



# SENIORS!

Our Yearbook Crew will be reaching out to our Seniors in their student Gmail regarding our RCA Yearbook! We ask that all seniors respond back with the information needed no later than December 15th or give our Yearbook Crew an update regarding when the information can be expected. We have very firm deadlines in the Spring to make sure we have everything printed before school gets out in May.

All RCA Seniors (including RCA Middle College Seniors) will be need to send the following to Mrs. Michelle:

- Senior Photo
- 3 Baby Photos
- Senior Quote

**DEADLINE  
DEC. 15TH**

All this information can be sent to Mrs. Michelle, our Yearbook Coordinator [michelle.gist@g.kpbsd.org](mailto:michelle.gist@g.kpbsd.org)

We appreciate all the help in getting this turned in and can't wait to celebrate our Class of 2024 Seniors!!!

## Early Release Dates

School Dismissal @ 12:40 pm

November 9th

December 8th

January 12th

January 26th

February 9th

March 7th

April 12th

We are looking for presenters that can come in to our school and present to our HCC (habits, community, and culture) class on Monday/Wednesday/Friday's from 8:40-9:00. Presenters would be able to share their business or community involvement and help us explore community and career opportunities in different industries.

Please email Shea if you have any ideas!  
[snash@kpbsd.k12.ak.us](mailto:snash@kpbsd.k12.ak.us)

**KENAI PENINSULA MIDDLE COLLEGE**

**SPRING ENROLLMENT**

**OCT 30- DEC 8TH**

Students must complete KPBSD Application & Placement testing before the deadline

**Enroll Now!**

Call 907-260-2307

Website: [www.kpbsd.org](http://www.kpbsd.org)



### Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Symptom-Free Schools Protocol

The KPBSD Symptom-Free Schools Protocol reviewed and updated August 16, 2023

The purpose of this protocol is to provide a learning environment that is as free of illness as possible, so students and staff of all health levels can participate in school without fear. By extension, this will also promote the safety, health, and welfare of our communities. This applies to students, staff, parents and guardians, volunteers, and any school visitors.

#### When to Stay Home from School

Stay home if symptoms include:

- Active vomiting or diarrhea
- Fever, chills, generalized body aches. (Fever threshold will constitute 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit or higher without use of fever-reducing medication like Tylenol or Ibuprofen.)
- Any other symptoms: fever, cough, shortness of breath, chills shaking with chills, muscle pain, runny or congested nose, headache, sore throat, or new loss of taste or smell
  - Parent, guardian, or individual may consider contacting their health care provider or Public Health
- Taking the first 24 hours of antibiotic treatment
- An undiagnosed, new and/or untreated rash or skin condition

#### When to Return to School After Illness:

- May return when fever-free for 24 hours without medication
- May return after taking antibiotics for 24 hours
- May return after free from vomiting for 24 hours
- May return after free from Diarrhea(2 or more bouts) for 24 hours