

# BULLDOGS RETURN TO LEARN

## A WELCOME [BACK] GUIDE FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR

**THE 2021-2022  
SCHOOL YEAR WILL BE  
A FULL RETURN TO  
IN-PERSON LEARNING.**

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## GREETINGS AND WELCOME [BACK] TO RB!

### PAWS-UP! WOOF, WOOF, WOOF!

We are thrilled to welcome back a full student body to full day, in-person instruction starting Monday, August 16, 2021, with lunches on campus and extracurricular activities after school. Additionally, spectators will be permitted back at the stadium and inside the building, to loudly support RB's artists, performers, club members and athletes. Masks should be worn by all individuals aged 2 years and older while indoors, regardless of vaccine status.

One of the many things we have learned over the last year and a half is that there is no replacement for the learning community created in a school and classroom when it comes to helping students grow academically, socially, and emotionally in order to achieve their highest potential. This is why it is so important for us all to be back in the building, learning, engaging, and supporting one another during the upcoming school year. Our students are the central life-force of our school and having all of our students back for the 2021-2022 school year means our school is finally whole again.

Whether students are coming back to RB or joining us for the first time, there is some important information we need to share with all students and families to make sure this is a successful school year. There are two upcoming events to help up share some of that important information:

- Freshman Orientation: Wednesday, August 11, 9- 11 AM  
\*Freshmen Students only
- Family Welcome Night: Wednesday, August 11, 4-6 PM.\*  
\*All Students and Families welcome

While some of the best things about RB have stayed the same, there are some exciting changes that we can't wait to share. Keep reading for important information to get the school year started right.

With high hopes for a great, upcoming school year!

Dr. Hector Freytas, Principal  
#rb208pride

# COVID-19 GUIDANCE UPDATES

## Items of particular importance:

- Per the CDC, masks are required on all school-related transportation.
- Per the CCDPH, Masks should be worn by all individuals aged 2 years and older while indoors, regardless of vaccine status.
- Fully vaccinated students no longer need to quarantine following a known exposure if they are asymptomatic.
- Self-certification (RAPTOR) upon entrance to the building will no longer be required.

## COVID-19 Prevention Strategies for the 2021-22 School Year ([CLICK HERE](#)):

- Social Distancing of 3-feet should be implemented whenever possible.
- Contact tracing will occur for people diagnosed with or exposed to COVID-19.
- Rapid antigen testing is available for students and staff in the health office.
- Ventilation cycles will be increased on all HVAC units to increase outside airflow.
- Hand sanitizer and disinfectant wipes will be placed in all classrooms and common areas.
- Water fountains will be shut off; however, water bottle refill stations will be available.
- Daily cleaning and disinfecting will occur using a hospital-grade disinfectant.

**MASK UP???**

**GUIDANCE FOR  
SUBURBAN COOK  
COUNTY SCHOOL  
DISTRICTS:  
[CLICK HERE](#)**



## **RBHS MOBILE VACCINATION CLINIC**

Wednesday, August 11th  
4:00 - 6:00 pm  
RBHS Field House

[CLICK HERE](#)

for an  
appointment.

**2nd dose on September 1st.**



**STUDENTS WHO HAVE  
RECEIVED THE  
COVID-19 VACCINE  
SHOULD HAVE A COPY OF THEIR  
VACCINATION RECORD ON FILE  
WITH THE NURSE'S OFFICE FOR  
THE PURPOSES OF CONTACT  
TRACING.**

## **BUILDING CULTURE, OPERATIONS, AND ENGAGEMENT**

**[CLICK HERE](#) to access the  
New Bell Schedule for 2021-2022**

### **Attendance Procedures - [CLICK HERE](#)**

Parents or guardians may report absences by calling the RBHS Attendance Line at **708-442-8407**, 24 hours a day. The expectation of parents/guardians is to call by 10:00 a.m. on the day of absence. Failure to call the school within 24 hours of the absence will result in an unexcused absence. Only calls from parents or legal guardians will be accepted.

The following information must be provided to excuse the absence of valid cause:

- Parent / Guardian Name
- Student name
- Reason for the absence

### **DRESS CODE UPDATE: [CLICK HERE](#)**

The Student Dress Code at RB has been updated for the 2021-2022 School Year. Please click the link above for a summary of the changes that have been made to the Student Dress Code. The main change outlined in the document is that students will now have permission to wear hats and hoods in the building. Please read the full summary of changes to ensure compliance by all students.

**[CLICK HERE](#) to access the  
Student Handbook**

## **STUDENT AFFAIRS**

**MR. DAVE MANNON, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

Welcome to the 2021-2022 School year!

Based on guidance from the Illinois State Board of Education on July 9, we are excited to welcome back all of our Bulldogs in full capacity! Please review this page in detail as it outlines many of the safety, operational, and engagement procedures and opportunities we have at RB. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Have a great school year!

Mr. Dave Mannon (mannond@rbhs208.net)

### **Important Information and Links:**

#### **Safety Protocols: [CLICK HERE](#)**

RBHS will continue to utilize the A.L.I.C.E. Lockdown protocols for the upcoming school year. Students complete related crisis, weather, and bus evacuation drills within each of their classrooms during the first week of school. Students will also participate in grade-level handbook assemblies within the first month of school to review behavior expectations with the administration.

#### **See Something Say Something:**

**[CLICK HERE](#)**

to report bullying or share other concerns.

#### **HERO Parent Login Creation:**

**[CLICK HERE](#)**

#### **HERO Student Mobile App:**

**[CLICK HERE](#)** to view points, tardies, etc.

#### **Student Drop-off and Pick-up Information:**

**[CLICK HERE](#)**

for map and additional information.

# CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

## MRS. KYLIE LINDQUIST, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

### Post-pandemic Instruction at RB

As we begin the 2021-2022 school year at RB, we will not focus on loss. We will respond to the pandemic's impact on our students' learning by taking the following action steps:

- **Assess** students to determine their current level of academic performance.
- **Respond** to assessment data to deliver instruction or interventions appropriately based on actual student performance.
- **Monitor** student progress to determine the success of the instruction or intervention.
- **Adjust** instruction/intervention accordingly based on continued data collection and analysis.

### Academic Interventions

There will be two main types of academic interventions in place this year for students who are not making progress:

1. **Pull-out Support:** Students who scores on large scale assessments are significantly below grade-level benchmarks will be pulled out of non-academic courses (Study Hall, PE, elective class) for small group tutoring in Math and Reading.
2. **Homework Hangout:** Any student can attend Homework Hangout after school for help with their homework or even if they want a quiet place to work. Students who are earning an F in more than one academic class will be mandated to attend Homework Hangout.

### Assessment for 2021-2022

Below is a summary of the primary assessment tools we will use this year in order to ensure we are best meeting the academic needs of all learners. Assessments will help determine the need for interventions to support students' learning. The assessments listed below are large-scale assessments administered to an entire grade level.

#### STAR Assessments

- Administered to 9th and 10th grade students in English and Math classes.
- Computer adaptive test given in 20 minutes.
- Identifies gaps in Reading and Math skills.
- **Administered during the first week of school.**

#### PSAT 9, PSAT 10, Practice SAT

- Administered to 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students respectively.
- Paper and pencil tests given according to specifications from College Board.
- Identifies gaps in college readiness skills.
- **PSAT 9: Sept. 21st**
- **PSAT 10: Oct. 13th**
- **Practice SAT: Sept. 1st**

### Questions or Concerns

All questions or concerns related to instruction should be directed to a student's teacher, first, for resolution. The next step is to contact the department instructional coach. Administrative support is available if all other avenues have not yielded successful resolution.

## EF @ RB

Executive Functions are the malleable functions in the brain that help with skills like, memory, organization, planning, and self-regulation. Research shows that support for students' executive functions can help students perform better in school and that establishing strong executive function (EF) routines can dramatically impact a student's ability to find success in the classroom.

This year at RB, all teachers/classes will actively support students' EF skills in order to help students most effectively transition back to traditional, full-day school. EF supports in all classes will include:

**\*Posted Daily Agenda\***

**\*Use of Planners\***

**\*Color-Coded Materials\***

**\*Materials Management\***

**\*Posted Unit Calendars\***

Color-coding all courses/subjects (and their materials) will help students stay organized and easily identify specific materials for specific courses. Here are the color codes for each department at RB:

**ENGLISH = RED**

**SCIENCE = PURPLE**

**MATH = GREEN**

**WORLD LANGUAGE = BLACK**

**APPLIED ARTS/FINE ARTS = YELLOW**

**SOCIAL SCIENCE = BLUE**

If students plan to purchase school supplies such as notebooks and folders, they are encouraged to match the standard color-coding listed above.

**[CLICK HERE](#)**

for more info on

**HOMEWORK HANGOUT**

**Parents/Families:**

Track your student's progress and support them at home:

**Skyward Access:** **[CLICK HERE](#)**

**Schoology Access:** **[CLICK HERE](#)**



## SEL SCREENING, ASSESSMENT AND INTERVENTION WITH SACHEL

THIS 20-QUESTION SURVEY  
ADMINISTERED TWICE A YEAR  
WILL HELP GAUGE THE SOCIAL  
AND EMOTIONAL NEEDS OF  
STUDENTS AND PROVIDE THE  
RIGHT SUPPORT.



THEMED SOCIAL EMOTIONAL SUPPORT  
EVENTS FOR 21-22 WILL FOCUS ON:

SUICIDE PREVENTION

KINDNESS

TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AND HEALTHY  
RELATIONSHIPS

INCLUSION

MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS

MINDFULNESS AND  
DE-STRESSING



### REMINDERS ABOUT SCHEDULES:

Schedule changes due to a "change  
of mind" may not be honored.

Level changes require Instructional  
Coach approval and carry a \$25  
fee.

Requests for Teacher changes will  
not be honored.

# STUDENT SERVICES

**MS. BETH AUGUSTINE, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

Student Services is comprised of  
the School Counselors, School  
Social Workers, and School  
Psychologists along with related-  
service professionals who are all  
dedicated to the Social and  
Emotional Learning of our  
students.

## **SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING**

Social and Emotional Learning  
(SEL) is an integral part of  
education and is the process  
through which students acquire  
the knowledge, attitudes, and  
skills they need to:

- recognize and manage their emotions;
- demonstrate caring and concern for others;
- establish positive relationships;
- make responsible decisions; and
- handle challenging situations constructively.

The Student Services Department  
at RB supports teachers to help  
students learn to process,  
integrate, and selectively apply  
SEL skills in developmentally,  
contextually and culturally  
appropriate ways in conjunction  
with a safe, caring, participatory  
and responsive school climate can  
result in positive outcomes  
including:

- promotion of mental wellness;
- prevention of mental health issues;
- school connectedness;
- reduction in student absenteeism;
- reduction in suspensions;
- adoption, implementation and institutionalization of new practices; and
- improved academic outcomes.





# SPECIAL EDUCATION

## MR. KEVIN BALDUS, DIRECTOR

The Special Education Department is dedicated to ensuring that students are provided the accommodations and modifications they are entitled to, by law, through their Individualized Education Plan (IEP). Each student with an IEP has an RB Special Education Teacher as their Case Manager. Families should maintain contact with Case Managers in order to ensure that communication around student needs and student progress is ongoing.

### Self Advocacy

At RB, we work to develop and strengthen students' self-advocacy skills. Students with an IEP should be aware of what accommodations and modifications they receive under their IEP and should never be afraid to ask a teacher about the accommodations/modifications they should receive.

A student's Case Manager will serve as the primary support to ensure that the students' accommodations/modifications are appropriately assigned, but students are encouraged to take an active role in ensuring their needs are met.

### Study Skills

Each student with an IEP has a Study Skills class (or equivalent) scheduled at some point in their day. Study Skills is a class that supports students by developing and strengthening their executive functioning skills and helping them stay on top of class work. Students should utilize Study Skills as a resource to support their academic growth and development.



JOIN RB'S  
NATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED  
BEST BUDDIES CHAPTER!

**Check your  
email!**

Special Education  
Case Managers  
will be reaching  
out to families  
prior to the start  
of the school  
year.

IMPORTANT  
SPECIAL EDUCATION  
LINKS:

[CONTINUUM OF SUPPORTS](#)

[PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS](#)



## **NOTICE:**

ILLINOIS STATE LAW REQUIRES EACH STUDENT TO HAVE A PHYSICAL EXAMINATION PERFORMED BY A LICENSED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER (MD, DO, APN OR PA). STATE LAW ALSO REQUIRES EVIDENCE OF STATE-REQUIRED VACCINATIONS AS OUTLINED HERE. THE SCHOOL CODE SECTION 665.120 OF ILLINOIS PROVIDES FOR AN EXCLUSION FROM SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH HEALTH REQUIREMENTS. STUDENTS MAY NOT ATTEND CLASSES AT RIVERSIDE BROOKFIELD HIGH SCHOOL UNTIL THE HEALTH EXAMINATION AND IMMUNIZATION RECORDS ARE ON FILE AND IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE REGULATION

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS AND FORMS:

[\*\*CLICK HERE\*\*](#)

Incoming Freshman Health Requirements:

[\*\*CLICK HERE\*\*](#)

Senior Health Requirements:

[\*\*CLICK HERE\*\*](#)

Medical Emergency Action Plans:

[\*\*CLICK HERE\*\*](#)

## **REMINDER:**

**All medications must be kept in the Nurse's Office and administered by the Nurse.**

## **Contact Info:**

Nurse Behrendt  
behrendtb@rbhs208.net

Ms. Crockett  
crockettj@rbhs208.net

# **HEALTH OFFICE**

**MS. BRITTANY BEHRENDT, RN, BSN  
SCHOOL NURSE**

**MS. JULIA CROCKETT, NURSE'S  
ASSISTANT**

The RB Health Service Department is here to help promote and assist with the health needs and well-being of our students and staff. We are located on the first floor in room 139.

The RB Health Service Department Provides the following services:

- Provides care for ill and injured students and staff
- Manages the administration of medication to students per doctors orders
- Maintains student health records per IDPH and ISBE
- Maintains records for all emergency plans
- Performs annual vision and hearing screenings
- Provides community resources. Collaborates and supports school psychologists and social workers Our goal is to help educate our students on how to maintain good health and healthy choices

**COVID-19 Antigen**  
**Testing Info:**  
**CLICK HERE**

## Fall Sports Start-up Information

### Boys Golf, All Levels

Head Coach: Jim Festle (festlej@rbhs208.net)

Dates: August 9th @ 12:30 pm, August 10th @ 9:00 am, and  
August 11th @ 7:00 am

Location: RBHS Door A\*

\*Athletes will take a bus from RB to Flagg Creek golf course.

### Girls Golf, All Levels

Head Coach: Doug Schultz (schultzd@rbhs208.net)

Dates: August 9th, 10th, and 11th @ 10:00 am each day

Location: RBHS Door A\*

\*Athletes will take a bus from RB to Flagg Creek golf course.

### Boys Cross Country, All Levels

Head Coach: Anthony Enright (enrighta@rbhs208.net)

Dates: August 9th, 10th, and 11th @ 3:30 pm each day

Location: RBHS Door G

### Girls Tennis, Varsity (\*JV Time and Date TBD)

Head Coach: Sam Weiss (weiss@rbhs208.net)

Dates: August 9th, 10th, and 11th @ 10:00 am each day

Location: RBHS Tennis Courts

### Boys Football, All Levels

Head Coach: Brendan Curtin (curtinb@rbhs208.net)

Dates: August 9th, 10th, and 11th @ 3:30 pm each day

Location: RBHS Stadium

### Girls Volleyball, All Levels

Head Coach: Mary Pakosta (pakostam@rbhs208.net)

Varsity Dates: August 9th, 10th, and 11th @ 7:00 am each day

JV Dates: August 9th @ 7:00 am, August 10th @ 9:00 am, and  
August 10th @ 9:00 am

Freshmen Dates: August 9th, 10th, and 11th @ 9:00 am each day

Location: RBHS Main Gymnasium

(Freshmen in Field House on August 10th and 11th)

### Girls Cross Country, All Levels

Head Coach: Blair Jensen (jensenb@rbhs208.net)

Dates: August 9th, 10th, and 11th @ 7:00 am each day

Location: RBHS Stadium - Running Track

### Girls Swimming, All Levels

Head Coach: Mike Laurich (laurichm@rbhs208.net)

Dates: August 9th, 10th, and 11th @ 7:00 am each day

Location: RBHS Pool

### Boys Soccer: All Levels

Head Coach: Ivek Halic (haliki@rbhs208.net)

Dates: August 9th @ 12:00 pm (all levels),

August 10th and 11th @ 12:00 pm (Frosh and Soph only),

August 10th and 11th @ 7:00 am AND 7:00 pm (Varsity only)

Location: RBHS Stadium

## ATHLETICS

### MR. BRENDAN CURTIN, ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

The RBHS Athletic Department looks forward to the upcoming Fall Sports season set to begin on Monday, August 9th. More information on the registration process, head coach contact information and first day time & location can be found at:  
<https://il.8to18.com/RBHS>.

Also, please be sure that your student-athlete has a current physical on file with the school prior to the first day of try-outs.

All the best to our Bulldog Athletic teams as they begin preparations for the 2021 fall season!



[CLICK HERE](#)  
TO ACCESS  
THE RBHS  
ATHLETICS  
HOMEPAGE:  
8 TO 18

# GO RB!





### RB Clubs & Activities:

Anime Club  
Association of Students for Tolerance  
Best Buddies  
Bulldog Book Club  
Bulldog for Life  
Chess Club  
Color Guard/Flags/Twirlers  
Ecology Club  
Erika's Lighthouse  
Fall Play  
FCCLA  
Film Club  
Fishing Club  
French Club  
Fretted Friends  
Girls Up Club  
Girls that Code  
Helping Paws Club  
Hip Hop Club  
Math Team  
Mindfulness Club  
Minority Empowerment Club  
Model UN  
Orchesis  
Organization of Latin American  
Students (OLAS)  
RBGSA  
Robotics  
Scholastic Bowl  
Shenanigans  
Ski Club  
Speech Team  
Spring Musical  
Student Association  
Video Game and Board Game Club

## ACTIVITIES

MR. DAVE MANNON, AP FOR STUDENT AFFAIRS

Clubs and Activities Sponsor Contacts:  
[CLICK HERE](#)

JOIN US FOR ONE OF OUR UPCOMING  
ACTIVITIES FAIRS ON AUGUST 11TH:

10:30 AM  
FRESHMEN ONLY

4:00 - 6:00 PM  
ALL STUDENTS

Please complete the Clubs and  
Activities Interest Survey Form:

[CLICK HERE](#)\*

\*You will need to sign into an @rbhs208.net email address to  
complete the survey. Use your RB email!

# GET INVOLVED!



# BUSINESS OFFICE

**SUMMER HOURS: 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM**  
**REGULAR HOURS: 7:30 AM - 4:00 PM**

Please visit the Business Office to pay student fees, set up payment plans, submit Free/Reduced Lunch forms, rent daily Chromebooks (as needed), purchase items listed below.

We accept cash, checks\* and credit cards\*\*  
(Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express)

\*Checks should be made payable to RBHS.

\*\*A \$3.00 fee is applied for all card payments

## **Daily Chromebook Rental:\***

\$5.00

(\$10.00 per day that the rental is not returned once no longer needed.)

\*Students who come to school without their Chromebooks may need to rent a Chromebook from the Business Office as Chromebooks are needed for all classes each day.

## **Replacement Charges for lost items:**

Chromebook Charger = \$20.00

ID card re-print = \$5.00

PE Lock = \$6.00

PE Shirt = \$19.00



**For questions about  
Student Accounts or  
Fee Statements,  
please contact:**

**Veronica Diaz**  
**diazv@rbhs208.net**  
**708.442.8261**



**ADD FUNDS TO YOUR  
STUDENT'S LUNCH  
ACCOUNT USING  
MY SCHOOL BUCKS.**



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