



RSS Grade 9 Parent Information

RSS GRADS OF 2022

So, what is RSS like?

- ▶ Approximately 1550 students
- ▶ ~360 Gr 9s
- ▶ 98 teaching staff
- ▶ 72 support staff
- ▶ Large campus



Transition accommodations

- ▶ Transition/change is difficult...
- ▶ To ease transition over from middle school, we have linear academics
- ▶ Orientations in spring and in August
- ▶ Lockers: grade 9s are a priority
- ▶ Regular ad hoc meetings to identify struggling students
- ▶ Support systems and structures

Normal Schedule

Period 1a

9:00 - 10:15
(75 mins)

Break

10:15 - 10:25
(10 mins)

Period 1b

10:25 - 11:45
(80 mins)

Lunch

11:45 - 12:29
(44 mins)

Period 2a

12:29 - 1:50
(81 mins)

Break

1:50 - 2:00
(10 mins)

Period 2b

2:00 - 3:15
(75 mins)

Example Grade 9 Timetable

	Day 1	Day 2
am	English	Explorations
	Social Studies	Maker
	<i>LUNCH</i>	
pm	PE	Math
		Science

Mandatory/Elective Courses

- ▶ Mandatory Courses: English, Social Studies, Math, Science, PE (several to choose from)
- ▶ Explorations: mandatory career education class
- ▶ French: is an elective in grade 9
- ▶ Elective Courses: Home Ec, Tech Ed, Art, Drama, Info Tech, Band, Leadership, Media Production, Language and Culture class, etc.
- ▶ Academies: Hockey, Baseball, Soccer (*fees apply*)

French Considerations

- ▶ French is an elective in grade 9 - not required
- ▶ Other language options for university entrance are available in grade 10 (ie: Spanish, ASL, etc)
- ▶ University entrance requirements vary - recommended to talk with a school counsellor
- ▶ Students who plan to go into French 10 must take French 9
- ▶ Students who choose French 9 will get it

School Connections: Get involved!

- ▶ Soccer, Rugby, Cross-Country Running, Volleyball, Basketball, Track and Field, Golf, Football, Cheer, Archery club
- ▶ Leadership/Service
- ▶ Drama, music, etc



Shift in Responsibility

- Increasing personal responsibility
- Ownership of Learning/self-advocacy
- Take advantage and explore opportunities



What RSS Expects Of Our Students

- ▶ To reach for success in their academic studies
- ▶ Attend class every day and be on time
- ▶ To be good citizens and to treat others well



Stay Informed...

- RSS Website - updated daily
- RSS newsletter
- Synervoice messages
- RSS school calendar
- Contacting Teachers - staff email directory



Upcoming Dates of Interest

February 16: course selection visit to **RMS**

February 22: On-line course entry at **RMS**