FRIDAY, JUNE 14TH, 2024

THE PULSE OF RINI

RINI Community News

At-a-Glance

SPECIAL REMINDERS

Chromebooks ONLY, Please: Students are only allowed to use their Chromebooks in school when they are online – NO EXCEPTIONS. The RINI network has specific safety measures in place to protect your students from online intrusions. This important safety net does not extend to other laptops that students may bring to school. As a result, students MAY NOT use their personal laptops and tablets in school to access online work. Students can take notes on tablets but will still need their school issued computer. Please remind your students to pack their school-approved Chromebooks and chargers each morning.

IEPs & 504s: If your student has an IEP, please contact Ms. Marin Kafal (<u>mkafal@rinimc.org</u>) for any IEP related questions. If your student has a 504, please contact Ms. Damaris Rosales (drosales@rinimc.org).

Bus Passes: Students who need to replace their bus passes should contact Ms. Santiago (jsantiago1@rinimc.org).

PTA and School Improvement Team: Are you interested in helping improve our school community? We're asking for parents and families to get involved in helping us create a Parent-Teacher Association, and to join our School Improvement Team. Please email Principal Ferland (tferland@rinimc.org) for more information.



RHODE ISLAND NURSES INSTITUTE MIDDLE COLLEGE CHARTER SCHOOL

Dates to Remember

- JUNE 14TH: LAST DAY OF CLASSES
- JUNE 19TH: NO SCHOOL, JUNETEENTH
- JUNE 17TH, 18TH, 20TH: FINAL Exams
- JUNE 21ST: MAKE-UP EXAMS, LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

Upcoming Events

After School Clubs

DEIB CLUB (DIVERSITY, EQUITY, Inclusion, and Belonging): Every Tuesday, 3-4 PM

STUDENT COUNSEL: TUESDAYS @ 2:30PM

SAFEBAE: THURSDAYS @ 2:30PM

CROCHET CLUB: THURSDAYS @ 2:30PM

Excellentia!

We have reached the final month of school. Seniors graduated on Monday, June 10th. I'd like to express how proud we are of our students, and that we wish them continued success on their academic journeys.

I'd like to also take a moment to congratulate the Top Ten of our graduating class: Melanie Tavares, Valedictorian; Angelika Moquete, Salutatorian; Marian Taveras; Chastity Fortes; Yenesis Reyes; Acacia Baez; Melanie Obispo; Blanca Ramirez Marroquin; Amenata Lo; and Samantha Tamayo. Congratulations on all of the hard work you have done!

Underclassmen courses will finish end on June 14th, with final exams taking place as follows:

- Monday, June 17th: Period 1 and 2 Exams
- Tuesday, June 18th: Period 3 and 4 Exams
- Thursday, June 20th: Period 5 and makeup exams
- Friday, June 21st: Remaining makeup exams

As the school is closed on June 19th in honor of Juneteenth, there are no scheduled exams nor study hours on Wednesday. Teachers will tell students if they are exempt from the exam prior to the start of exam week. Some courses allow students receiving an A- or higher exemption from exams; this information will be provided by classroom teachers.

All RINI students are REQUIRED to complete at least 20 hours of iXL work this summer (10 hours of reading and 10 hours of math) between June 24th and August 20th. One hour of iXL practice a week has shown to drastically improve students' proficiency in both math and reading, making them more prepared for college classes and college entrance exams, such as the SAT. Beginning next school year, all RINI students will be enrolled in a course called Math and Reading Growth Lab, and the iXL work that they do over the summer will count as a grade for this new course. Please reach out to Jane Alford (jalford@rinimc.org) with any questions about accessing your iXL account or completing this requirement.

In the final few weeks of school, pushing on to end the year successfully can be difficult. We want to remind students that we are here to support them, and that we have resources available if they need extra academic or emotional help during this time of year. In addition to office hours provided by instructors, students can also reach out to our academic support team as well as our school social worker. We are here to help each other, and we want to be able to see everyone succeed.

To that point, we want to make sure that we have a final, strong push for attendance: come to school on time, receive the help that you need to be successful, and show up ready for what is in front of you. Students, you've got this! Families, thank you for all that you do to help our community succeed.



In partnership,

Principal Ferland

"The most certain way to succeed is always to try just one more time."

THOMAS EDISON

RHODE ISLAND NURSES INSTITUTE MIDDLE COLLEGE

School Shoutouts - Top 10 of RINI Class of 2024

We want to congratulate the following students on their academic success. In order of rank, this is the Top 10 of the Class of 2024:

1.	Melanie Tavares, Valedictorian
2.	Angelika Moquete, Salutatorian
3.	Mariana Taveras
4.	Chasity Fortes
5.	Yenesis Reyes
6.	Acasia Baez
7.	Melanie Obispo
8.	Amenata Lo
9.	Samantha Tamayo



NURSE'S NOOK & UPDATES FROM STUDENT SUPPORT

Nurse's Nook

SENIORS: Your meningitis vaccine needs to be up to date before you can graduate! Please see Nurse Erin for more information!

Current freshmen, sophomores, and juniors should update all health information, including their vaccination records, current health conditions, and primary care provider, with the School Nurse for next year.

Guidance and Advisory Updates

PowerSchool: RINI switched from Skyward to PowerSchool at the beginning of this school year. PowerSchool is the only way to stay regularly updated on your students' grades and attendance at school. If you need help resetting your PowerSchool login, please contact Ms. Almonte (ealmonte@rinimc.org) or Ms. Alford (jalford@rinimc.org).

2024-2025 Academic Calendar: The calendar for the 2024-2025 school year has been approved and is attached at the end of this newsletter. Please use it to help you plan any family vacations so that we can work together in ensuring that your student has consistent attendance in the upcoming school year.

Transferring to RINI? Students who are recent transfers to RINI from other schools should reach out to Ms. Diaz (Idiaz@rinimc.org) to make the transfer process go smoothly. This includes making sure that all documentation, such as transcripts and any IEPs or 504s are sent from the previous school to RINI.

RINI Gear and Dress Code: While the weather is heating up outside, sometimes rooms in the school can still be a little chilly. We sell RINI sweatshirts through our school store that students are able to wear and still be in compliance with our uniforms policy.

Community



Medical Insurance

Do you or members of your family need medical insurance? RINI has connections to various organizations that can help families in need of medical insurance. If you would like more information, please contact Ms. Santana, Director of Nursing at RINI at Jsantana2@rinimc.org.

PVD Connects

Do you need the internet? Are you a Providence resident?

PVD Connects that will pay 30 dollars a month for internet service. <u>Here is the link</u>. City of Providence PVD Connects - City of Providence (providenceri.gov) This is a need based resource.

Food Truck Fridays @ Roger Williams Park

Food Truck Fridays are BACK at Roger Williams Park! End your week at Food Truck Friday – an outdoor food truck festival at Carousel Village starting at 5 pm. Attendance is free, just pay for what you eat and drink from an ever changing rotation of more than 15 food trucks each week.

RINI Middle College 2024 - 2025 School Calendar

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AUGUST	DECEMBER	APRIL
21 - 23 - New Teacher orientation	23 - 31- Holiday Recess (No School)	14 - 18 - Spring Recess (no school)
26 - 29 - Teacher orientation		
	JANUARY	
SEPTEMBER	1 - New Year's Day (no school)	MAY
2 - Labor Day (no school)	13 - End of Semester 1	1 - Sr. Decision Day
3 - First Day of School	14 - 17 - Exams	21 - Senior Presentation Day Early dismissal at 12:00
10- State Primary Day	20 – Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day (no school)	26 - Memorial Day (no school)
10.2	21 - Semester 2 begins	
OCTOBER		June
3-4 Rosh Hashanah	FEBRUARY	2-3-4 Senior Exams
4 - Indigenous People's Day (no school)	17 - Winter Recess (no school)	7 - Jr/Sr Prom (tentative)
		11 - Cap and gown distribution
NOVEMBER	MARCH	12 - Senior Awards Night (tentative)
5 - Election Day (no school) Teacher PD Day 8 - 3	31 - Eid al-Filr (no school)	16 - Graduation (tentative)
11 - Veteran's Day (no school)		18 - 20 - 23 - Underclassmen Exams
27 - 28 - 29 - Thanksgiving Recess		19 - Juneteenth (no school)
		24- exam make up/last day of school