



ARC IB Programme

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Dear IB Families,

Oh wow! Have things changed a lot since our last newsletter! We are now doing things in ways we've never imagined in our wildest dreams. There is still a great deal of uncertainty with what the rest of the year will look like, but there are some things we do know: AP exams will be done on phones, tablets, or computers wherever we are at that point; IB exams will not be given, but there will be scores and diplomas issued. I have heard from a lot of teachers that the kids are really adapting well to the new procedures and expectations that we have had to put in place. It has been a steep learning curve for all of us! I encourage you all to reach out if you need additional supports, help, or anything else. The teachers at Richmond Academy are top notch and always willing to help out when they can!

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MYP Projects Information

During this time of working at home, we are spending part of the time grading personal projects. Please expect grades and feedback delivered to your SCHOOL email in the coming weeks. We are still hopeful that we will be together again this school year to have an Expo, but we are exploring ideas for how our community project groups can present if we do not get that chance. I beg each student to make an effort to check school email at least once daily so information can be pushed out to all at the same time.

AP Exams

College Board has decided to conduct AP exams in 45 minute online tests that can be taken on cell phones, tablets, or computers. On April 3, they will announce the format of the test and the two date options. We are asking all students to take the later of the exam dates to give our teachers more time to review content with the students. All students that registered for exams are expected to take the exams. NMSI and colleges have agreed to honor the scores so we encourage all students

Upcoming Events

Social Distancing Exploration

Monday-Wednesday

8 am-8 am



Social Distancing Practice

Wednesday-Friday

8 am-8 am



Social Distancing Exhibition

Friday-Monday

8 am-8 am



IB Acronym of the Month

HoS

Head of School

The Head of School is the School Director. (S)he is responsible for providing overall leadership, direction, and support for the school. The HoS must enable, empower, and energize all aspects of the programme.

to use this time to use the resources available to them to get the best possible score!

College Board is offering live, free, online sessions for all subjects. <https://apstudents.collegeboard.org/coronavirus-updates#free-ap-classes>

They can also be accessed live and recordings at this YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/advancedplacement>

In addition, Kaplan is offering free online sessions for APUSH, AP World, and AP Bio at this link: <https://www.kaptest.com/study/pre-college-ap/#schedule>

IB Exams

The May 2020 IB Exam session has been cancelled, however there will still be IB Diplomas and grades. Diplomas and grades will be awarded on the basis of IA scores and uploaded externally assessed material (TOK essays, Group 4, Written Assignments, etc.).

Along that same line, CP and DP students need to maintain close contact with their teachers regarding the IB assessments. This is critically important.

IB Seniors

Our IB Seniors have worked incredibly hard this year and we are EXTREMELY proud of all that they have accomplished. Our seniors have had an outstanding college acceptance season. Not only are we sending one student to Duke and one student to Washington and Lee, both on full rides, but every single one of the 22 students that applied to the University of Georgia got in! Who else but this group would have a ONE HUNDRED PERCENT acceptance rate? In addition, our kids have also been accepted to Wofford, Agnes Scott, Georgia Tech, Vanderbilt University, University of North Georgia, University of South Carolina, Auburn University, Georgia State University, Columbus State University, East Georgia University, Ole Miss, LSU, Augusta University, Georgia Southern, Mercer University, Fort Valley, Albany State, University of Alabama, College of Charleston, The University of the South (Sewanee), Emory University, Atlanta Technical College, Clemson University, and Kings College. We could not be prouder of this group of amazing students!

IB Scores and Transcripts for SENIORS

We need all seniors to fill out [this form](#) to have IB scores and IB transcripts sent to colleges of choice. One is sent free of charge, however you must

Learner Profile Highlight

Knowledgeable

We develop and use conceptual understanding, exploring knowledge across a range of disciplines. We engage with issues and ideas that have local and global significance.

Mighty Musketeers March

Teachers

Alvin Jenkins
Joy Owens

Custodial Staff

Pamela Fulton

Classified Staff

Dorothy Johnson

Students

Camille Leibach
Jaylon Brooks
Justin Scott

Student Athlete

JeSaul Salazar



complete the form by May 1st. After the IB deadline, we will not be able to make the request and students will have to do it themselves at a cost of \$17.

#ARCSpiritWeek

Don't forget about ARC's Virtual Spirit Week! Tuesday-Take it outside, Wednesday-March Madness (show off your favorite team wear), Thursday-Pajama Day, Friday Fancy Dress! Share your pics on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter with the hashtag #ARCSpiritWeek

Who Needs A Little Fun?

Ms. Baxley sent a fun [Hogwarts Escape Room](#) for families to complete because everyone needs a little fun right now. Enjoy!

Message from Ms. L. Carr for Scientific Research/IB 101

Parents, please be flexible and patient with your kids right now. They're just as worried as we are, and distance learning is new territories for all of us.

The 9th grade SAT Prep students are working in Edgenuity. I know it sounds like a lot of time, but I'm giving students 2 weeks to complete a lesson set (unit is "Reading and Rhetoric" and one lesson set is "Real Facts about Fast Food"). I don't want to overload them when I know some of their classes will require a LOT more work. Some will work faster and get it done quickly and that's fine. My goal is to be as flexible as possible right now.

IB English Lit Year 2

IB English Literature Year 2 (Seniors) is aiming to have 2 to 3 assignments per week that will be posted in google classroom and will be graded. Parents need to make sure their child is checking that site. Each time a new assignment is listed I let the students know on Remind.

****Big Important News****

With IB end of year exams cancelled, the Internal Assessments count more than ever toward predictive grades and the IB diploma so Mr. Guinn and Mrs. Wilson are in talks with how we will continue to do the Literature IOCs over this time of quarantine. The Interactive Oral Commentary Exam will still be administered in some form or another before May 1st. More details as we know them.

Calendars for the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 School Years

The board voted on our calendars for the next two years at a recent board meeting. We had a lot of questions about when the school year would start and it was decided that we would start August 6th. Please note we do not release for the winter break until December 23 and our last day of school is a Tuesday. Please review these calendars closely before making any big plans! Here's the [2020-2021](#) calendar and here is the [2021-2022](#) calendar.

Course Catalog

If you'd like more information about what courses are available for your child, please visit our updated [course catalog](#).

Camp FLAWLESS Volunteer Opportunity

Faith Learning Autism With Love Expecting Something Special (FLAWLESS)

We are a 4 week summer camp for children on the Autism Spectrum. We have been humbly serving the CSRA since 2016. Our mission is to provide support to families with children on the Autism Spectrum. Our goal is to provide community and improve the social skills of our participants.

Camp Session Mondays through Fridays 1st June, 2020 - 26th June, 2020 8am - 5pm.

For more information, a link to the Camp Application, and to stay up to date on all things FLAWLESS, follow us at www.facebook.com/CampFLAWLESS or if you do not have access to FACEBOOK please email your interest to campflawless@gmail.com.

Remind

To get text messages from ARC IB, please text the message below (depending on class) to the number 81010. If you have any trouble with this, please let us know and we can help you!

Class of 2020	@arcib2020
Class of 2021	@arcib2021
Class of 2022	@arcib2022
Class of 2023	@arcib2023
Class of 2024	@arcib2024

