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# NEWSLETTER



**ACADEMY OF RICHMOND COUNTY** 

**APRIL 2024** 

## FRONT PAGE NEWS

IMPORTANT DATES & REMINDERS

## **SPRING BREAK**

• April 8th-15th



• April 19th



## AP STATISTICS SUPER SATURDAY

• April 27th (see below for more details)

### COORDINATOR'S CORNER

### Dear ARC Community,

I am thrilled to report the tremendous success of our recent IB Expo! Our community came together in a remarkable display of talent, dedication, and passion for learning. I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you who contributed to making this event a resounding success.

Special recognition is due to Mrs. Rohde for her outstanding planning efforts. Her tireless dedication ensured that the Expo ran smoothly, allowing our students to shine brightly as they showcased their projects and achievements.

As we celebrate the accomplishments of the Expo, it's also essential to look ahead to the upcoming testing season. With standardized tests on the horizon, it's time for us to channel the same enthusiasm and commitment towards preparation. Testing season presents an opportunity for us to demonstrate everything we've learned and accomplished throughout the year.

Let's approach this season with confidence, knowing that our hard work and dedication will shine through. Together, we can support one another as we prepare to showcase our knowledge and skills on the upcoming tests.

Additionally, as we approach the end of the academic year, it's essential to utilize any downtime for reflection and growth. This is the perfect opportunity to start contemplating how we can enhance our experiences for the next year. As students, it's valuable to reflect on our journey thus far and identify areas for improvement. What are some aspects of this year that you wish could have gone smoother? What steps can you take to address those areas and reach your goals?

Let's use this time to set intentions for personal and academic growth. Whether it's refining study habits, seeking additional support in challenging subjects, or exploring new extracurricular interests, now is the time to make proactive decisions that will pave the way for success in the future.

Remember, growth is a continuous journey, and every step we take towards improvement contributes to our overall development. Let's embrace this opportunity to reflect, learn, and grow together as a community.

Thank you once again for your unwavering support and dedication to the IB program. Together, we will continue to achieve great things.

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Please stay in tune with your child's attendance which can be tracked via your Infinite Campus Parent Portal.

In accordance with the RCSS Code of Conduct, ARC will only be accepting 5 parent notes for the school year. The school is able to accept unlimited doctor's notes. You can email your excuses to <a href="mailto:musketeerattendance@gmail.com">musketeerattendance@gmail.com</a>. Any notes submitted in person should be turned in to the front office.





# GENERAL INFORMATION

# Infinite Campus

Parent Portal

For assistance with setting up Infinite Campus, please contact our school Social Worker, Ms. Danielle Hawkins. HawkiCa@boe.richmond.k12.ga.us

### COUNSELOR'S CORNER

#### **Guidance Counselors:**

Remaining SAT Dates and Registration Deadlines: Register by April 19th for May 4th Register by May 16th for June 1st

Last Names Starting With A-G: Dr. Patrice Gude (<u>GudePa@boe.richmond.k12.ga.us</u>)
Last Names Starting With H-O: Ms. Sonya Weaver (<u>WeaveSo@boe.richmond.k12.ga.us</u>)
Last Names Starting With P-Z: Ms. Juretta Thomas (<u>ThomaJu@boe.richmond.k12.ga.us</u>)



## **SENIORS**

The Senior Remind group text has grown so much that we have to start another group. No, this does not mean you need to add another Remind group text to your list BUT if you know someone who isn't already in the group (NEW members), they will have to use code @sr2024arc to join in an effort to keep abreast of important senior information and updates. Yes, the same information will go out to both groups.

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Please turn in scholarship notification letters to your counselor when you receive them so that they can be announced during graduation!

### 2024 AP EXAM SCHEDULE

May 6th-17th



### **AP & IB EXAMS**



## 2024 IB EXAM SCHEDULE

April 24th - May 17th



To access the AP exam scores, log in to your MyAP account or use this link.

To access the IB exam scores, please refer to the email sent to the parent and student's school email address. There you will find the website, your personal code, and the PIN that you will need to get the scores.

# CANVAS

To access Canvas, get the paring code from your child(ren). Have them login, go to Account, and then Settings. On the right side, there will be a button that says, "Pair with an Observer." Use this code to pair.

Go to the parent site. Create an account. Once you are logged in, if you have multiple kids, go to Account, then down to Observing. In the box, add the pairing code from your other child and click "+Student."

**TIP:** Switch browsers if you have difficulty logging out of your child's account.

If you can't find us in the Parent App, log in as a parent. Go to Account. Scroll down to QR Code for Mobile Login.

### REMIND

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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!

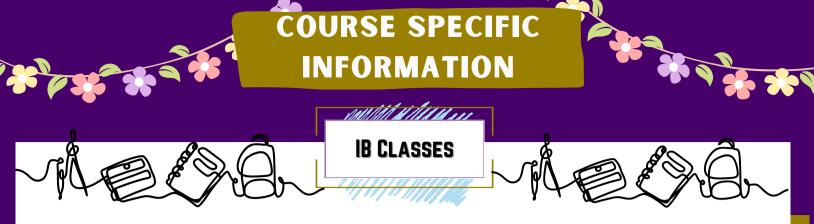
Class of 2024 @arcib2024

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Class of 2027 @arcib2027





• IB PPSY2- April 5th, Final Language Book should be uploaded in ManageBac no later than 11:59pm. This will complete the 50 hour requirement for the PPS Language Portfolio requirement.

Please reach out to your teachers if you have any questions.

## AP CLASSES

AP Statistics Super Saturday Exam Prep Sessions with Mrs. Ginn are from **9:30AM to 12:00PM on April 27th, May 4th and May 18th**.

The AP Exam will be administered on May 7th and on May 22nd for IB students.

Please reach out to your teachers if you have any questions.





## **ARC SPORTS**

Click on each sport's icon to view the schedule.



## **VOLLEYBALL TEAM**

Tryouts for the Fall 2024 Season Varsity and JV teams



MAY 8-9, 13-14, 2024 5:00-7:00 ARC GYM

**CLICK ON THE FLYER** FOR MORE **INFORMATION** 





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## EVENTS & **OPPORTUNITIES**



**ARC Chapter** 

#### What do we do?

We talk to authors (video-chat), compete in Reading Bowls against other GA schools (optional), participate in creative book club activities and more!



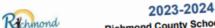
Most importantly WE READ really good books for pleasure! Interested? JOIN TODAY!



7:00 p.m. | Friday, April 19th **Julian Smith Casino** Seniors \$45 per person Juniors & all Guests \$55 per person

Guest Forms are available in the media center or on the ARC Website.

Prices will increase March 1st.



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#### Richmond County School System School Calendar

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Aug 03	First Day of School for Elementary First Day of School for K-8, Middle, and High Schools
Aug 07	First Day of School for K-8, Missis,
Sep 04	Labor Day Holiday
Sep 05	PowerUp Asynchronous Learning Day
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Sep 18-Oct 06	Fall Parent Conference Window Student Holiday/Professional Learning Day
Oct 05	PowerUp Asynchronous Learning Day
Oct 06	Student/Teacher Fall Break
Oct 09-10	Student/Teacher Pall Great Fall Semester Progress Report #2
Oct 27	Fall Semester Progress Property
Nov 10	Veterans Day Holiday Thanksgiving Holiday
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Nov 20-24	Thanksgiving Holiday
Dec 14-19	Semester Exams End of 1st Semester/Early Release (all grades)
Dec 19	End of 1st Semester/Early (see
Dec 20-Jan 01	Christmas/Winter Break Student Holiday/Professional Learning Day
Jan 02-03	Student Holiday/Protessional Country
Jan 04	Beginning of Second Semester
Jan 09	Report Cards
Jan 15	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
Feb 15	Spring Semester Progress Report #1 Student Holiday/Professional Learning Day
Feb 16	Student Holiday/Professional
Feb 19	Student/Teacher Holiday
Feb 20	PowerUp Asynchronous Learning Day
Feb 20-Mar 08	Spring Parent Conference Window
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Mar 29	Spring Break
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May 23-24	Post Planning Days
May 22-24	Graduation
May 27	Memorial Day Holiday
May 28	Penort Cards
Jun 03-28	Summer School (5 days a week)
Jun 19	Juneteenth Holiday
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## **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Coming April April 8th-15th: Spring Break



## 2023-2024

## Aprobado por el Consejo 17/05/22

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08-15 de abril: Vacaciones de primavera



## **IB SPOTLIGHT**

## **DP DIPLOMA**

24 Points

- Completed assessments: CAS (Community, Action, Service). Extended Essay, and TOK.
- Each student takes at least three (but not more than four) subjects at higher level (HL), and the remaining at standard level (SL).

How do you earn points?

- IB classes are graded on a 1-7 scale (4-7 is considered an acceptable score)
- Each class grade is generated from two types of assessment components
  - o Internal Assessments (IA) graded by the teacher with samples sent to IB for moderation, occurs during the school year
  - External Assessments (EA) graded by IB examiners, essays and exams, occurs in May

#### An Example with IB English Lit HL...

IA: Individual Oral Commentary (IOC): 15% Individual Oral Presentation (IOP): 15%

EA: Written Assignment: 25%

Paper 1: 20% Paper 2: 25%

- Each component is scored separately
- Total number of points earned is converted to the 1-7 scale

#### Please note:

- · No grade of N or E (non-submittal or failing)
- No grade of 1
- No more than two grades of 2
- No more than three grades of 3

## **CP DIPLOMA**



## To earn a diploma in the CP, a student must

- Earn a score of 3 or higher in at least 2 **IB** classes
- Pass the Reflective Project
- Complete Language development
- Complete Service Learning
- Take the third-party assessment for the pathway (e.g. ServSafe for culinary, CompTIA Security+ for cybersecurity)
- · At least 12 total points earned in HL classes
- At least 9 total points earned in SL classes
- No penalty for academic misconduct from IB Final Award Committee
- Students have three (3) examination sessions in which to satisfy the requirements - students CAN retest!

## Learner Profile

## IB LEARNER

strive to be:

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- express ourselves confidently collaborate effectively
- listen carefully



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## **OUESTIONS**

These questions can be used to encourage students to think about and articulate how they embody the IB learner profiles in their actions, decisions, and

interactions. These questions would make great conversation starters around the dinner table, on road trips, the ride to school in the morning, or even a text conversation.

What role do listening skills play in effective communication, and how do you work on improving your listening abilities?

Can you think of a situation where miscommunication led to misunderstandings or challenges? How could that situation have been handled differently?