Richmond Academy

Friday News

Loving, Learning, Living in Christ

August 21, 2026

Calendar

Family Fun Day
August 23

PFE Orientation for New Students @6pm
August 24

Orientation Night for New Students PK-6th Grade
August 25

Orientation Night for New Students 7th-12th Grade
August 26

Soccer @ Grove
September 1

Fundraiser 2nd and 3rd Grade
September 3



Picture of the Week

This Monday, students entered our hallways for the first time in our 2026-2027 school year. We are so excited to have everyone back at school and feel blessed to have had a succesful first week. Our prayer is that God will continue to guide our school in this new school year.

We also want to thank all of the families and the community for supporting us and for all of the prayers that were lifted up for the start of the school year.

Doss Dialogue

Dear Families,

As we begin a new school year, I find myself reflecting on the profound message of John 13:34-35, where Jesus commands us to **“love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”** This verse serves as a filter through which we can see Jesus in our hearts and reminds us of the core of our mission as a Christian community.

We are all familiar with the Ten Commandments, where the first four commandments focus on our personal relationship with God and the last six emphasize our relationship with others. Throughout the Bible, God continually reminds us of how we are to treat one another, knowing full well that as human beings, we would struggle with this concept. And indeed, we have!

Richmond Academy is a special place with a solid culture built around kindness and respect. As we move into this new year, I want to encourage everyone to keep this principle front and center: if you can't be anything else, **be kind**. Simple acts of kindness can create a ripple effect, positively impacting our school community and nurturing an environment where everyone feels valued and supported.

Let’s commit to fostering a spirit of love and respect as we work and learn together, showing our students what it means to live out the message of Jesus. I am excited about the journey ahead and look forward to seeing the many ways we support one another this year.

Thank you for being an integral part of the Richmond Academy family. Together, let’s make this year one defined by kindness and compassion!

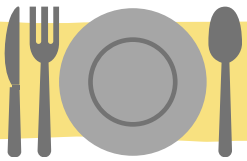
Blessings,

Mr. Doss

Happy Birthday

Ivane Hanscome 8/2
Erwan Dwyane Mandreza 8/2
Trajano Martins 8/13
Andrea Vazquez-Gomez 8/15
Dremiah Thompson 8/19
Xavier Wood 8/21
Iulia Folscher 8/21
Melissa Hernandez 8/29
Giovanni Chavarria Agnello 8/30

Hot Lunch Menu



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri
Lasagna, Salad, and Garlic Bread	Fried Rice, Spring Rolls, and Fruit	Veggie Sandwich, Veggie Straws, and Fruit	Mac n' Cheese, Broccoli, and Fruit	Pizza and Carrots

Announcements

MyMealOrder

MyMealOrder will be used for all school lunch ordering. **Meal cards will no longer be used and payment will be fully online**. This website will allow families to place lunch orders ahead of time and manage payment in one place. An email has been sent out to families with further information on our lunch ordering system.

Pikmykid

Parents from grades PK-8 please continue use the app for daily dismissal check in and communicating pick up changes and early dismissal. If you are not yet using the app, we ask that you download it using the QR code below. Your cooperation helps ensure a smooth, safe, and efficient dismissal process for everyone.

App Store Download Links

iOS Android

Announcements

Start/Dismissal Times

Mon-Fri Morning Care: 7:30am

Mon-Fri School Start: 8:15am

Mon-Thur PreK-8 Dismissal: 3:00pm

Mon-Thur Aftercare Start (PreK-8) : 3:15pm

Mon-Thur Highschool Dismissal: 3:35pm

Friday PreK-12 Dismissal: 12:30 pm

Friday Aftercare Start (PreK-8) : 12:45pm



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Juliet Cho

Richmond Academy's Bell Choir Director



Juliet Cho is a music educator and church musician with more than 20 years of experience in music education, performance, and ministry. She holds a Bachelor's degree in Composition Theory and two Master's degrees in Music Education and Music Therapy. She has served as a choir director, accompanist, music teacher, and music therapist. She has taught hundreds of students of various ages and backgrounds. An advanced pianist, Juliet also plays organ, guitar, ukulele, handbells, and gayageum, a traditional Korean instrument. Juliet directed the Aldersgate Ringers at Mount Vernon United Methodist Church for five years, developing a strong passion for handbell music and ensemble performance. She believes bell choir helps students develop musical skills, confidence, responsibility, and teamwork while learning to listen to one another and contribute to a shared musical experience. Juliet is excited to serve as Richmond Academy's Bell Choir Director and looks forward to helping students grow through the joy of making music together. Outside of music, Juliet enjoys spending time with her husband, who is a minister, and their two children.

SCHOOL EVENTS

Prayer Walk and Open House

This Past Sunday we had our annual Prayer Walk and Open House.









SCHOOL EVENTS

SA Handshake

For the first day of school, the Student Association hosted their first event of the year. Students got to know each other by shaking hands and then celebrated the first day of school with popscicles!













SCHOOL TRIPS

6th-8th River Day

Grades six through eight enjoyed spending time together at the river for river day!













NEWS FROM OUR CLASS

Kindergarten

The Kindergarten class has had a good first week of school playing and learning about how to work at school!











NEWS FROM OUR CLASS

2nd Grade

Making Memories in Week One!
Our first week was filled with learning, laughter, friendship, and fun! We are off to a wonderful start as we learn to work together and care for one another.
Go 2nd grade!



NEWS FROM OUR CLASS

8th Grade

8th Grade enjoying some of the new playground equipment

