Richmond Academy

Friday News

Loving, Learning, Living in Christ

August 14, 2026

Calendar

Prayer Walk @5pm
August 16

First Day of School
August 17

Orientation Night for New Students 7th-12th Grade
August 20

Jeans Friday
August 21

Lake Day - High School
August 21

Family Fun Day
August 23



Picture of the Week

Teachers and staff received school safety training this week from Goochland County Sheriff Officers. We appreciate all of the important knowledge they shared with us and their commitment to keeping schools safe.

The teachers and staff had a busy week getting everything prepared for the new school year. We look forward to seeing all of you on Monday!

Announcements

PFE Orientation for New Students @6pm

August 24

Orientation Night for New Students PK-6th Grade

August 25

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.

School Orientations

Pre-K - 6th Grade

August 25 - 6:00pm

7th - 12 Grade

August 20 - 6:00pm

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

Doss Dialogue

Dear Families,

I pray this letter finds you well. As we gear up for the upcoming school year, I am reminded of the words of John 17:3: **"Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent."** This verse encapsulates our mission at Richmond Academy–not just to educate our students, but to help them develop a personal relationship with God and understand the promise of eternal life through Jesus.

It has been a busy summer here at Richmond Academy, and I am excited to share some of the upgrades we've made. Our playground has received enhancements, and we now have an outdoor volleyball court to foster physical activity and play. These improvements reflect our commitment to providing a nurturing environment where our students can grow socially and physically, alongside their academic and spiritual development.

Our dedicated teachers have also been hard at work preparing for the upcoming year, ensuring that they are equipped to reach each student academically and spiritually. They are committed to creating lessons that not only engage the mind but also resonate with the heart, aiming to inspire our students to grow closer to Christ.

As we look forward to welcoming our students back into the building next week, I invite you to take a moment to pray over our Richmond Academy community–our staff, families, and students. Let us ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit as we prepare them for success in this life and, most importantly, for the eternal life that Jesus, our Savior, promises.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, let's make this school year one filled with inspiration, growth, and a deeper understanding of God's love.

Blessings,

Mr. Doss

Announcements

Richmond Academy

Prayer Walk

and Open House



Join us as we pray for the beginning of the 2026-2027 school year and meet teachers and staff

August 16
5:00pm

Ellen Lima

Richmond Academy's Registrar



Ellen Lima will be taking on the role of registrar and will offer academic guidance. She has been working with Richmond Academy for years teaching career planning and test prep and substituting for classes. She has always been willing to help wherever their is a need. We are excited to have her in this new role!

Announcements

Juliet Cho

Richmond Academy's Bells Director



We are happy to announce that Juliet Cho will be joining Richmond Academy to direct bells. She has over 20 years of experience and two masters in Music Education and Music Therapy Education. We are excited she is joining us and will continue our bells program!



Announcements



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

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

RA Teachers

Elementary

Heba Hanna - Pre-K
Katie Grant - Kindergarten
Karen Brown - 1st Grade
Karinny De La Rosa - 2nd Grade
Emily Rivas - 3rd Grade
Kim Christianson - 4th Grade
Nita Reynolds - 5th Grade
Rachel Simons - 6th Grade
Jusiel Wilson - 7th Grade
Jeffrey Locke - 8th Grade

High School

Desmond Suarez - Bible, Social Studies, and Technology
Heston Charles - Science and Math
Adriana Folscher - English and Spanish
Keisha Wallace - Math
Ellen Lima - Personal Finance

Steve Doss - PE and Athletics
Sydney Bischoff - Art
Christiane Wilson - Choir
Juliet Cho - Bells

RA Staff

Steve Doss - Principal
Seth Savoy - Business Manager
Gracie Ximenes - Nurse and Front Desk
Jill Rodriguez - Book Keeper
Valerie Reynolds - IT Coordinator
Ellen Lima - Registrar
Britani Frazier - After School Care
Naomi Frazier - After School Care
Sydney Bischoff - Social Media and Friday News

School Uniforms

A student's attire contributes to the overall classroom environment. Richmond Academy has a uniform policy to facilitate an environment free from distractions and promote unity among students. RA uses Lands' End as its uniform provider.

All tops, including shirts, sweaters, fleeces, and jackets, worn in the classroom must have the RA school logo and be purchased from the list of approved items available through Lands' End.



You can shop the Richmond Academy uniform options available by following just a few simple steps:

1. Visit LandsEnd.com
2. Select "UNIFORMS" from the navigation menu near the top of the page
3. Click on the "Find my school" button on the uniform page
4. You can search for Richmond Academy' dress code by school name and location, or by using RA's Preferred School Number: 900153727

NOTE: All bottoms, including pants, shorts, skirts, and skorts, must be solid navy or tan (no denim, sweats, or spandex, please). These may be purchased from the store of your choice.

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