

Royal West Academy

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April 2024.

Dear Parents and Guardians of a New RWA Student,

Welcome to Royal West Academy! We are looking forward to collaborating with you to make your child's high school education an enriching and rewarding experience.

If you live outside the territory of the English Montreal School Board, you are <u>required</u> to provide us with a copy of an Inter-Board Agreement from the English board in whose territory you reside, prior to the commencement of the school year. This also applies to students who were in private schools prior to coming to RWA. Out-of-territory students <u>are not permitted</u> to attend our school without an Inter-Board Agreement.

If you have decided not to attend Royal West Academy next year, please let the school know immediately in writing, as we have families anxiously waiting for places at every grade level. An email should be sent to Ms. Tonicia Spencer at tspencer@emsb.qc.ca.

Top Marks will be providing families with the RWA uniform. Attached you will find important information from **Top Marks** on how to order your school uniform online or schedule an appointment at Top Marks. <u>There is no New Uniform Sale held at RWA.</u> A **Used Uniform Sale** will be held on **Tuesday**, **August 27** in our Home and School store from 12:00PM to 4:00PM. There are minor changes to the RWA dress code for 2024-2025 which are subject to change by the RWA Governing Board. The revised uniform rules include:

- a. Gray skirt or pants which can be purchased from the RWA supplier, Top Marks. The skirt must be worn at the waist, unrolled, with the official kilt pin. The length of the skirt must extend below the student's fingertips when the student's arms are extended at their sides. Pants must also be worn at the waist. The Royal West Academy Administration reserves the right to enforce the school uniform regulations and in the event of recurrent noncompliance, the school reserves the right to mandate parents or guardians to replace the school uniform.
- b. A school cardigan, pullover, or zippered jacket which can be purchased from the RWA supplier worn in an appropriate manner.
- c. A properly worn, plain tailored white shirt or polo shirt which can be purchased from the RWA supplier and embroidered with the school logo. The only layered look permissible is a plain white turtleneck worn underneath a **long-sleeved** oxford school shirt. Tops must be fully tucked in, and oversized or undersized garments are not permitted. Shirts must be buttoned up to the penultimate button.

d. Undershirts must be plain white.

- e. Students must wear socks or tights in plain, solid colors and in good condition. Acceptable colours are gray, white, black, or navy blue. If tights and socks are worn in combination, they must be in matching, plain colours as above.
- f. Footwear Only completely black (including logos and soles), non marking, closed heel and closed toe shoes may be worn. No form of platform shoes, high-heeled shoes, clogs, crocs, sandals or boots may be worn. Shoelaces must be all black and tied.
- g. Accessories Only regular belts in black, brown, dark gray, navy blue or white that fit in belt loops may be worn. Plain suspenders in navy, black, or gray are permitted. No outerwear such as jackets, boots, or hats may be worn in school. Conservative ties may be worn with the shirts. Jewelry must be of a conservative style (earrings, necklace, or a single nose stud etc.). No other visible facial piercing, nor tattoos permitted. Scarves, sweatbands, neck bands, and wristbands are not permitted. No buttons, badges or unapproved paraphernalia may be worn, including articles hanging from kilt pins.
- h. Alterations which change the appearance of the uniform are not to be made (e.g. pegged pants, rolled cuffs, rolled waistbands, etc.).
- i. Students with long hair are expected to keep it away from the face. For health and safety reasons, long hair must be tied back during Science, Physical Education, and other sports activities. No headgear (e. g. hats, caps, full bandanas, etc.) with the exception of headgear worn for religious reasons. Headbands are acceptable.

We have also included in this mailing, information regarding our **Summer Reading** list. Our **Annual Book Fair** will take place in the Performing Arts Center (PAC) on Wednesday, May 8 (8:00AM – 8:00PM) and Thursday, May 9 (8:00AM – 1:00PM). **Please note that all sales are payable by cash, debit, credit card or Apple Pay.** Depending on the grade that your child is going into, there are specific books that are read over the summer, leading to an English Language Arts assessment. Please review the information carefully. We have partnered with Babar Bookstore in order to facilitate the purchase of books. Other options include eBooks or borrowing from your local library at no cost.

If your child presently has an **Individualized Education Plan (IEP)**, please forward your child's **IEP** and any supporting documents, including professional reports, to the attention of your child's Vice-Principal ASAP.

Family Name A-L Catherine Lumsden <u>clumsden@emsb.gc.ca</u>

Family Name M-Z Steve Manstavich smanstavich@emsb.qc.ca

You have already paid a \$100 deposit on next year's school fees. The **balance owed** will be collected upon the students' return in September. A detailed invoice will be provided through the Mozaik parent portal on September 15.

RWA will provide new students with a school lock on the first day of school. Locks must be placed on a student's locker immediately. Any lost or misplaced locks must be replaced at a cost of \$11.60. Locks can be purchased at the school office. For security reasons, only

locks sold by RWA may be used to secure a student's locker - except for the Physical Education locker rooms.

Secondary 1 Students should report to the RWA Performing Arts Center in uniform on the first day of school, Thursday, August 29 at 8:30AM, where they will be welcomed and will meet their homeroom teacher. New Secondary II to Secondary V students should report directly to their homeroom at 8:30AM. Parents will receive an email with their child's homeroom number on August 28. Please see that your child comes prepared with writing materials. During the first week, individual subject teachers will notify students regarding specific materials required for each of their classes. All students are required to have an indoor and an outdoor gym uniform. The first day will be a shortened timetable with dismissal at 12:26PM. The next day, students will follow a regular schedule for Day 1 starting at 8:30AM and ending at 3:00PM. Students should bring a lunch, as full cafeteria services may not be available during the first couple days of school.

Secondary I students will be invited to a special **orientation** session hosted by the Royal West Academy Student Life Association. Orientation will be held on the morning of **Tuesday**, **August 27**. Further information regarding this event will be included in our August mailing to parents.

Please note that our offices will be closed for the summer as of June 30th and will re-open on **August 13**. If you require additional information or clarification, please do not hesitate to verify the website or call the school at (514) 489-8454.

Please accept our best wishes for a safe and enjoyable summer.

RWA Administration



Welcome to Your 2024-2025 School Uniform Program!

ROYAL WEST ACADEMY

Dear Parents,

Top Marks is proud to be your school uniform supplier.

ORDER ONLINE BY JUNE 15

to ensure delivery before the start of school Visit www.topmarks.ca

Your school password is RWA01

FREE SHIPPING for all orders placed between May 1 – JUNE 15
Exchanges and returns ship FREE year-round!

Montreal Fitting Center - by Appointment Only

Unsure of sizing? If you could use some additional guidance, please don't hesitate to schedule an appointment. Our dedicated team will support you in choosing the right fit and can also provide assistance with placing online orders.

To book a fitting appointment:

Visit www.topmarks.ca and create or log in to your account to view available times, or contact our Customer Service team at 1-800-667-7105 or info@topmarks.ca.

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ALL ORDERS MUST BE PLACED ONLINE AT WWW.TOPMARKS.CA

FREE SHIPPING on orders placed between May 1- June 15

TO ENSURE DELIVERY BEFORE START OF SCHOOL, PLEASE PLACE YOUR ORDER BEFORE JUNE 15

SCHOOL PASSWORD - RWA01

SHOPPING LIST- 2024-2025

(PLEASE REFER TO YOUR SCHOOL'S UNIFORM GUIDELINE BEFORE PURCHASING)

GROUP	STYLE#	COLOR	R SCHOOL'S UNIFORM GUIDELINE BEFORE P UNIFORM DESCRIPTION	SCHOOL LOGO	JUNIOR SIZES	ADULT SIZES	SIZE TRIED ON	JUNIOR PRICE	ADULT PRICE
TOPS	1006	WHITE	SHORT SLEEVE POLO SHIRT	0	JM, JL, JXL	AXS, AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$25.00	\$27.00
	1007	WHITE	LONG SLEEVE OXFORD SHIRT	0	12, 14, 16, 18	AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$34.00	
	1007SS	WHITE	SHORT SLEEVE OXFORD SHIRT	0	12, 14, 16, 18	AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$34.00	
	1063	WHITE	LONG SLEEVE FITTED OXFORD SHIRT	0	JM, JL, JXL	AXS, AS, AM, AL, AXL, 20, 22		\$34.00	
	1073	WHITE	SHORT SLEEVE FITTED OXFORD SHIRT	0	JM, JL, JXL	AXS, AS, AM, AL, AXL, 20, 22		\$34.00	
BOTTOMS	2087	GREY	JUNIOR PANT		10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20	N/A		\$56.50	N/A
	2088	GREY	ADULT PANT - regular fit		N/A	28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46		N/A	\$56.50
	2188	GREY	ADULT PANT - slim fit		N/A	26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40		N/A	\$56.50
	302520	GREY / RWA	LADIES KILT		N/A	2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20.22.24		N/A	\$62.50
	3384	GREY	4-WAY STRETCH PULL ON PANT with BACK ELASTIC		N/A	4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20		N/A	\$57.25
SWEATERS	2045	BURGUNDY	BUTTON FRONT CARDIGAN	0	JM, JL, JXL	AXS, AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$65.50	
	1416J	BURGUNDY	FULL ZIP DOUBLE JERSEY CARDIGAN	0	JM, JL, JXL	AXS, AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$51.00	
	2044	NAVY	V-NECK LONG SLEEVE SWEATER	0	JM, JL, JXL	AXS, AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$59.00	
GYM UNIFORM	2006	BURGUNDY	GYM T-SHIRT	0	JM, JL, JXL	AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$19.00	
	1230L	GREY	WICKING SHORT - long	0	JM, JL, JXL	AXS, AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$22.00	
	1231	NAVY	WICKING SHORT - short	0	JM, JL, JXL	AXS, AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$22.00	
	1404	GREY / RWA	HOODED FLEECE SWEATSHIRT	0	JM, JL, JXL	AXS, AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$46.50	
	1401P	GREY / RWA	JOGGING PANTS	0	JM, JL, JXL	AXS, AS, AM, AL, AXL, AXXL		\$36.50	
ACCESSORIES	TIGHTS	BLACK/GREY	TIGHTS - (85% cotton/10% nylon/5% elasthane)		10-12 / 12-14	AS, AM, AL, AXL		\$22.95	
	SO-LDS- SL	BLACK/WHITE /GREY	GIRLS KNEE SOCKS		N/A	9-11		\$7.95	
	NAME TAPES	WHITE	IRON-ON (75 PER PACK)		O/S			\$10.50	
	SHIPPING	CHIPPING CHARGE					\$7	'.50	



Bienvenue dans votre programme d'uniformes scolaires 2024-2025!

ACADÉMIE ROYAL WEST

Chers parents,

Top Marks est fier d'être votre fournisseur d'uniformes scolaires.

COMMANDER EN LIGNE AVANT LE 15 JUIN

Cela permettra d'assurer une livraison avant la rentrée scolaire.

Visiter : www.topmarks.ca Votre mot de passe d'école

RWA01

LIVRAISON GRATUITE pour toutes les commandes passées entre le 1er mai et 15 JUIN

Les échanges et les retours sont expédiés GRATUITEMENT toute l'année!

Centre D'essayage de Montréal - sur Rendez-Vous Seulement.

Vous n'êtes pas certain de votre taille ? Si vous avez besoin de conseils supplémentaires, n'hésitez pas à prendre rendez-vous. Notre équipe dévouée vous aidera à choisir la bonne taille et peut également vous aider à passer votre commande en ligne.

Pour prendre un rendez-vous d'essayage:

Visitez www.topmarks.ca et créez ou connectez-vous à votre compte pour voir les horaires disponibles, ou contactez notre équipe du service à la clientèle au 1-800-667-7105 ou à info@topmarks.ca.

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CONTACTER LE SERVICE À LA CLIENTÈLE

Sans Frais: 1-800-667-7105 Téléphone: (514) 344-5454 Courriel: info@topmarks.ca

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ACADÉMIE ROYAL WEST



TOUTES LES COMMANDES DOIVENT ÊTRE PASSÉES EN LIGNE SUR WWW.TOPMARKS.CA

LIVRAISON GRATUITE pour toutes commandes passées entre le 1er mai - 15 juin

POUR ASSURER LA LIVRAISON AVANT LE DÉBUT DE L'ANNÉE SCOLAIRE, VEUILLEZ PASSER VOTRE COMMANDE AVANT LE 15 JUIN

MOT DE PASSE D'ÉCOLE- RWA01

LISTE DE MAGASINAGE- 2024-2025

(VEUILLEZ VOUS RÉFÉRER AUX DIRECTIVES DE VOTRE ÉCOLE EN MATIÈRE D'UNIFORMES AVANT D'ACHETER)

GROUPES	# MODÈLE	COULEUR	DESCRIPTION	ARTICLE AVEC LOGO	GRANDEUR JUNIOR	GRANDEUR ADULTE	TAILLE ESSAYÉE	PRIX JUNIOR	PRIX ADULTE
HAUTS	1006	BLANC	POLO MANCHES COURTES	0	JM, JG, JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG, ATTG		25.00 \$	27.00 \$
	1007	BLANC	CHEMISE EN OXFORD MANCHES LONGUES	0	12, 14, 16, 18	AP, AM, AG, ATG, ATTG		34.00 \$	
	1007SS	BLANC	CHEMISE EN OXFORD MANCHES COURTES	0	12, 14, 16, 18	AP, AM, AG, ATG, ATTG		34.00 \$	
	1063	BLANC	CHEMISE AJUSTÉE EN OXFORD MANCHES LONGUES	0	JM, JG, JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG, 20, 22		34.00 \$	
	1073	BLANC	CHEMISE AJUSTÉE EN OXFORD MANCHES COURTES	0	JM, JG, JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG, 20, 22		34.00 \$	
BAS	2087	GRIS	PANTALON JUNIOR		10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20	N/D		56.50 \$	N/D
	2088	GRIS	PANTALON ADULTE- coupe régulière		N/D	28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46		N/D	56.50 \$
	2188	GRIS	PANTALON ADULTE - coupe ajustée		N/D	26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40		N/D	56.50 \$
	302520	GRIS/RWA	JUPE À PLIS		N/D	2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24		N/D	62.50 \$
	3384	GRIS	PANTALON (matière extensible avec élastique au dos coupe féminin)		N/D	4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20		N/D	57.25 \$
CHANDAILS	2045	BOURGOGNE	CARDIGAN AVEC BOUTONS	0	JM, JG, JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG, ATTG		65.50 \$	
	1416J	BOURGOGNE	CARDIGAN DOUBLE JERSEY AVEC FERMETURE ÉCLAIR	0	JM, JG, JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG, ATTG		51.00 \$	
_	2044	MARINE	CHANDAIL À MANCHES LONGUES COL en 'V'	0	JM, JG, JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG, ATTG		59.00 \$	
YSIQUE	2006	BOURGOGNE	T-SHIRT D'ÉDUCATION PHYSIQUE	0	JM, JG, JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG, ATTG		19.00\$	
Hd NOI	1230L	GRIS	SHORT D'ÉDUCATION PHYSIQUE en WICKING (long/ unisex)	0	JM,JG,JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG, ATTG		22.00 \$	
EDUCAT	1231	MARINE	SHORT D'ÉDUCATION PHYSIQUE en WICKING (courte/coupe féminin)	0	JM, JG, JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG,ATTG		22.00 \$	
UNIFORME D'ÉDUCATION PHYSIQUE	1404 GRIS/RWA		CHANDAIL EN MOLLETON AVEC CAPUCHON	0	JM, JG, JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG, ATTG	46.50 \$		0 \$
UNIFOF	1401P	GRIS/RWA	PANTALON JOGGING	0	JM, JG, JTG	ATP, AP, AM, AG, ATG, ATTG		36.50 \$	
ACCESSOIRES	SO-LDS NOIR/BLANC/GF		BAS AUX GENOUX		N/D	9-11	7.95 \$		5 \$
	COLLANTS NOIR/GRIS		COLLANTS (85% coton/ 10% nylon/5% elasthane)		10-12, 12-14	AP, AM, AG, ATG	22.95 \$		5 \$
	ÉTIQUETTES BLANC		ÉTIQUETTES à REPASSER (75 PAR PAQUET)		O/S		10.50 \$		
	FRAIS DE LIVRAISON						7.5) \$	

2024 Summer Reading List & Instruction

You must read **three** of the following selections:

96 Miles by J.L. Esplin
Breathe by Sarah Crossan
Half Brother by Kenneth Oppel
Scored by Lauren McLaughlin
When the World was Ours by Liz Kessler

You are expected to read the books carefully to prepare for your summer reading assessment which will take place over the course of September.

Grade 7 Summer Reading Assessment:

- 1. You will complete the Summer Reading Reflection Questions in class.
- 2. You will begin a group project for one of the books. This project will be discussed in class within the first cycle.
- 3. For the other two books, you will complete different assignments.

IMPORTANT information: All students will be required to complete the **RWA Summer Reading Reflection** upon their return to classes. This activity will take a full period, and students will be individually asked questions intended on allowing them to think critically about both novels and be creative. Detailed instructions will be provided in class at the start of the year.

We encourage students to take notes as they read their Summer Reading novels. Students are invited to consult the **Note Taking Guide**, published alongside our Summer Reading lists, on our school website. This guide will be published at the time of our school book fair (the week of May 9th).

Please note that some of these books may have mature themes; we encourage students to consult reviews to make sure the books they choose to read are a good fit.

2024 Summer Reading List & Instructions

You must read **two** of the following selections:

King and the Dragonflies by Kacen Callender Other Words for Home by Jasmine Warga The Knife of Never Letting Go by Patrick Ness The Night Gardener by Jonathan Auxier Truly Devious by Maureen Johnson

You may read as many books from the list as you wish, but you must read two (2). There is no anchor novel, so you may choose whichever two you are most interested in. You are expected to read the books carefully to prepare for summer reading projects which will take place over the course of September.

IMPORTANT information: All students will be required to complete the **RWA Summer Reading Reflection** upon their return to classes. This activity will take a full period, and students will be individually asked questions intended on allowing them to think critically about both novels and be creative. Detailed instructions will be provided in class at the start of the year.

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2024 Summer Reading List & Instructions

You must read **two** of the following selections:

Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Sáenz

Dear Martin by Nic Stone

Lily and Duncan by Donna Gephart

Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson

The Marrow Thieves by Cherie Dimaline

Grade 9 Summer Reading Assessment:

- 1. You will complete the Summer Reading Reflection Questions in class.
- 2. You will complete an individual assignment based on one or both of the books you have read.
- 3. You will take part in a group project exploring one of the books you have read.

IMPORTANT information: All students will be required to complete the **RWA Summer Reading Reflection** upon their return to classes. This activity will take a full period, and students will be individually asked questions intended on allowing them to think critically about both novels and be creative. Detailed instructions will be provided in class at the start of the year.

We encourage students to take notes as they read their Summer Reading novels. Students are invited to consult the **Note Taking Guide**, published alongside our Summer Reading lists, on our school website. This guide will be published at the time of our school book fair (the week of May 9th).

You are expected to read the books and prepare carefully for your summer reading assessment which will take place over the course of September.

Please note that some of these books have mature themes; we encourage students to consult reviews and/or speak to their teachers to make sure the books they choose to read are a good fit.

2024 Summer Reading List & Instructions

You must read **two** of the following selections:

Circe by Madeline Miller

Moon of the Crusted Snow by Waubgeshig Rice

Station Eleven by Emily St. John Mandel

The Humans by Matt Haig

The Final Revival of Opal & Nev by Dawnie Walton

The Picture of Dorian Gray by Oscar Wilde

Students are free to read as many books as they wish from the summer reading list, but are required to read two (2). No other titles may be substituted. Summer reading assessment will cover the first few weeks of September and includes evaluations for multiple competencies.

Students will be expected to: Analyze quotes from the novels, work collaboratively with others on a summer reading project, and share their ideas about the novels both individually and in small groups. Formal instructions for these assignments will be provided at the start of the school year.

IMPORTANT information: All students will be required to complete the **RWA Summer Reading Reflection** upon their return to classes. This activity will take a full period, and students will be individually asked questions intended on allowing them to think critically about both novels and be creative. Detailed instructions will be provided in class at the start of the year.

We encourage students to take notes as they read their Summer Reading novels. Students are invited to consult the **Note Taking Guide**, published alongside our Summer Reading lists, on our school website. This guide will be published at the time of our school book fair (the week of May 9th).

Please note that some of these books have mature themes; we encourage students to consult reviews and/or speak to their teacher to make sure the books they choose to read are a good fit.

2024 Summer Reading List & Instructions

You must read **two** of the following selections:

All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr
Five Little Indians by Michelle Good
Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng
Such a Fun Age by Kiley Reid
The Bell Jar by Sylvia Plath
The Maid by Nita Prose
The Measure by Nikki Erlick

You may read as many books from the list as you wish, but you **must read two (2)**. You are expected to read the books carefully to prepare for your summer reading assessment which will take place over the course of September.

Grade 11 summer reading assessment:

- 1. You will write a literary essay based on one of the books you read (C3 evaluation). You will write this essay in class during the first few weeks of school.
- 2. For the second book, you will complete a close reading assignment which will involve specific questions and/or quotes (C2 evaluation). Please be advised that your test will be during the first school cycle.

We encourage students to take notes as they read their Summer Reading novels. Students are invited to consult the **Note Taking Guide**, published alongside our Summer Reading lists, on our school website. This guide will be published at the time of our school book fair (the week of May 9th).

Knowing the types of assessment, you should make a decision as to which book you want to write the essay on and which book you want to do the test on before school begins. As such, you should also take the necessary steps to prepare for the tasks ahead of time (start thinking of thesis statement ideas for the book you're basing your essay on). You are encouraged to take some notes while reading. Highlighting or marking off key passages is a good idea, as is jotting down some notes while reading. This is not mandatory, but highly encouraged.

Please note that some of these books have mature themes; we encourage students to consult reviews and/or speak to their teachers to make sure the books they choose to read are a good fit.



Foundation News

spring 2024

Dear Students and Parents:

Congratulations on being accepted to RWA. We are delighted to welcome you into the Royal West Academy community and we are thrilled to be able to share with you what the RWA Foundation has been working on. The RWA Foundation depends entirely on the generosity of our school community to raise funds for projects which benefit the students and staff directly.

This year our school unveiled a brand-new auditorium (Performing Arts Centre), a project that had been in the making for over a decade and for which the Foundation has been intimately involved in, resulting in close to \$420,000 raised towards this endeavour. We wish to thank all parents, staff, Foundation volunteers and donors for their role in making this project a reality.

We also raised funds for the redesign of our first Active Learning Classroom in the context of the Active Learning Classroom Campaign. Room 301 Math and Science was recently refitted with new furniture to accommodate different learning styles and teaching settings.

The Active Learning Classroom Campaign is a multi-year project. Several classrooms will be selected to undergo a transformation each year. All children who attend Royal West Academy, including our children, will have the opportunity to benefit from the modernization of classrooms over the time they attend RWA.

We need your support to make this project a reality for the maximum number of classrooms. Please make your annual gift today. Every gift, large or small, will help us get closer to our goal.

Sincerely,

Judy Obadia-Benhamon

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Kelly Arfin-Gurevitch

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Secretary

Jesse Chaim President

Vice-President

P.S.: Please read on to the last page for a list of the many ways that you could help make a difference for the kids at RWA. Thank you in advance for your support.

New Performing Arts Centre

We are thrilled to introduce our new high school auditorium, a state-of-theart facility designed to inspire creativity, showcase talent, and foster a sense of community. It is with great excitement that we welcome our students to this dynamic space, where they can unleash their potential and express themselves through the arts. With top-of-the-line sound, lighting, and seating, this auditorium provides the perfect backdrop for performances, presentations, and gatherings that will leave a lasting impression on both performers and audience members alike. We have already experienced incredible productions and events that students bring to life in this beautiful venue. Welcome to our new home for creativity and expression!



First Active Learning Classroom Delivered!

Room 301



New chairs offer freedom of movement that stimulate the entire musculo-skeletal system.

New stools offer freedom of movement thanks to curved surfaces that stimulate the entire musculo-skeletal system; they are AGR certified (Healthy Back Campaign).

New swing-chairs are AGR certified (Healthy Back Campaign), allows for dynamic movement and promotes good health.

Classroom 301, dedicated to the teaching of Math & Science, is now complete! Students were welcomed into their new classroom environment on February 19, 2024.



The active learning classroom furniture in Room 301 will foster dynamic engagement and collaboration among our students. The adaptable seating arrangements will encourage movement and flexibility, creating a more comfortable and inclusive atmosphere conducive to learning. Ultimately, active learning furniture will transform our classrooms into vibrant hubs of creativity, innovation, and academic achievement.

Thank you to our donors!

Active Learning Classroom Campaign:

Help us meet the needs of Rooms 313 & 209

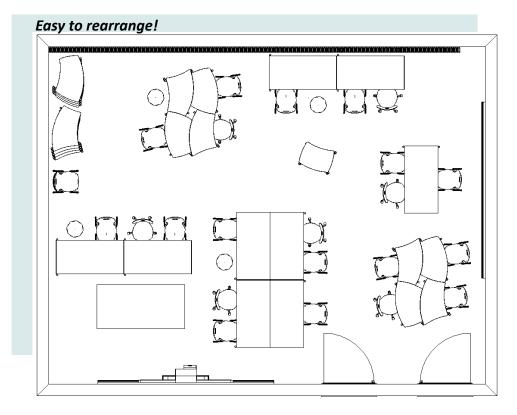
I want to make learning fun and challenging for our students. When they can move around and engage in this active kind of learning they are more mentally present, and it seems that they retain more information without having to "try".

I cannot wait to provide different learning environments for different types of learning and different classes. I teach History and Ethics. They both require movement and discussion but in different ways. By having a classroom that can be manipulated differently, I can offer a specific environment based on a lesson's needs.

We want our students to enjoy learning, and I think that by having a classroom that is flexible we can offer them so much more than sitting at a desk and listening. We can have them be part of that learning experience.

Ms. Cayer ROOM 313 -HISTORY AND ETHICS



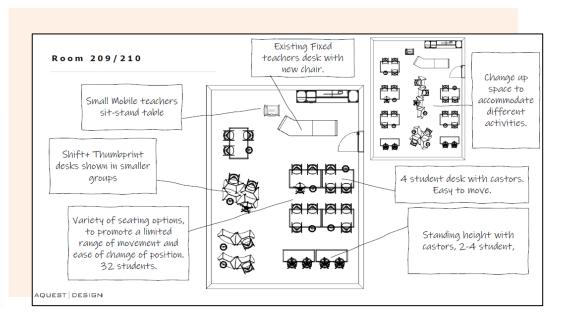


I have two comfy chairs with wheels on the bottom that my students fight to use when possible, so I can already see that they consider it a luxury to be comfortable. I'd love to see my students feeling like the classroom is actually supposed to be a comfortable place!

I feel that if we could choose our seating options carefully, we could be more inclusive of people who really need more space. I am excited about providing spaces for students who really need a quiet space away from the "crowd".

Ms. Amro ROOM 209 – ENGLISH AND DRAMA





I'd like to provide an environment that inspires my students to be creative and focused. I love the idea of having a classroom where some students can spread out to brainstorm ideas while others find a quiet place to lounge and read. I'm also already imagining possibilities of seating arrangements that help students listen to each other, and not just the teacher.

Students spend a lot of time in this environment, and I think we can give them a space that is more comfortable and gives them more of what they need.



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