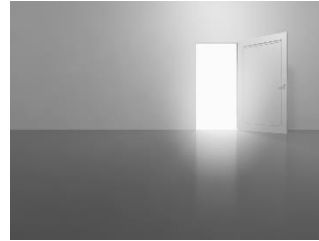


# RedHawk Express

March 14, 2021



## Hope is on the Horizon.

The news this week that vaccinations, at least the first dose, may be complete for the population of NB by Canada Day has certainly allowed for greater hope for a return to school routines by the 2021-2022 year. Hope allows all of us to find the energy and drive to finish strong in this non-traditional learning model and to continue to see the silver lining in our seemingly cloudy year.

*Thank you to all members of our school community for working together to make lemonade out of lemons!*

## Course Selection 2021-2022 Continues

Course Selection for students in grades 9-11 for the 2021-2022 school year continues this week with the opening of the online portal for course selection. Here are the key dates for students and families as well as some important information for all concerned.

1. **In Class Presentations** (Mar 8 – 26) - Grade 10 & 11 students will be visited by the Guidance Counsellor Mrs. Harris and Grade 9 students will be visited by the Admin Team, Mrs. Barrington or Mr. Peters to review the course selection process.
2. **Family Information Evenings** (Tues Mar 16) – Parents & Families can register for online TEAMS sessions on course selection & post-secondary planning as follows;
  - a. [Grade 10 & 11 Parents/Families](#) – Tuesday March 16 at 6pm
  - b. Grade 9 Parents/Families – was held last week. The video has been posted to the *Grade 9 Channel on the Rothesay High News & Notices Team*. Your student can access the playback feature.
3. **Online Course Registration** (Mar 15 – April 2) - Students will complete course selection online using their PowerSchool account (where they currently view their grades) during Homeroom. They will need to show their completed entries to their HR teacher.
4. **Course Registration Deadline = Friday April 2.** After this date course registration may be completed by the admin and guidance team based on current grades and basic graduation requirements.

### Weekly Schedule Mar 15 -19

Monday – L-Z

Tuesday – A-K

Wednesday – L-Z

Thursday – A-K

Friday – L-Z

### Mar 22-26

Monday – A-K

Tuesday – L-Z

Wednesday – A-K

Thursday – L-Z

Friday – A-K

### Upcoming Events

Tues Mar 16 = Course Selection for Grade 10 & 11 students (Parent Info) – 6pm

Tue Mar 23 → PSSC Meeting 6pm (In Person if we are in Yellow Phase)

# Supporting Your Students @Home

## Encouraging the Hard Choices!

Students will often ask teachers “which is the easiest one?” when choosing between courses. I would like to challenge both students and their families to re-frame that question to “Which option would be best for me?” or “Which class could challenge me the most?” To generate an authentic learning experience, students should struggle a little bit, make mistakes and come out the other side of the challenge with more skill and more knowledge. You can help us create those authentic learning opportunities by encouraging your students to take the more challenging of two options!

## Scholarship & GPA – Myth Busting!

There is a misconception that to get the biggest and best scholarships students need ALL marks that in the 95%+ range and that simply is not true! Universities look for well-rounded individuals with financial need for many of their larger scholarships (the ones hit the paper) and for the entrance scholarships that are calculated solely on grades they simply calculate those from 6-8 required courses for admission. This means that the other 8-10 credits on a student transcript are ignored. This knowledge hopefully provides some relief to students who want to try a course outside their comfort zone!

## Reminders and Celebrations

**Thank you →** Winter Sports are ending, and I would like to thank the following people for committing their time and dedication to our RedHawks Basketball program & Swim Team – Mike Vienneau, Chris Bourque, Brendan Kilfoil, Peter Hickey, Paul Hickey, Matt Leblanc, Jasen Loiselle, Elsa Stanley, Shannon Fraser, Mike Tilley, Roger Oldham, Hunter Oldham & J.D. Simms.

**SR. Boys Basketball Win Mini Banner →** Congratulations to our Senior Boys for winning the NBIAA Covid Basketball Challenge. Our boys scored 108 points in a total time of 3 minutes and 11 seconds!

**Sr Boys Volleyball →** Thank you to Micheal Cote for agreeing to coach our Senior Boys Volleyball team – try outs will be Mon Mar 15 & Thursday March 18 at 7-8:30pm. Students need to sign up with Mr. Jordan in the gym lobby to be assigned a try out time.

**Gratitude Pays Off –** Congratulations to Jadyn Danells for winning the St. Stephen University Gratitude competition by paying tribute to our own Ms. Johnston! Keep practicing gratitude every day RedHawks!

**GREEN Days –** The SRC are hosting Green Days in honour of St. Patrick’s Day on Tuesday (Mar 16) & Wednesday (Mar 17). We are hoping that everyone can find a touch of green to make this the best dress up day yet!



**63 School Days until Graduation.**  
The countdown is on...