



Planning for Change

River Islands Academies

River Islands Technology Academy
STEAM Academy
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2020 - 2021 School Opening



Introducing River Islands Academies

- On Thursday, March 12th, the Banta Elementary School District Board of Education authorized the creation of River Islands Academies and named Brenda Scholl as Executive Director
- The River Islands Academies is a Charter Education Organization serving students in River Islands
- It operates two independent charters; River Islands Technology Academy and STEAM Academy, under one Governing Board





Purpose

- Share Distance Learning plan and rationale for August 12, 2020 start
- Describe implementation of Distance Learning plan and resources/supports that will be available for students and families



Planning Process

- Developed plans for 2020–2021 reopening with input and suggestions from family and teacher surveys regarding Distance Learning in the Spring
- Included input from River Islands Academies School Board and the River Islands Academies Administration Team
- Gathered additional input from Governor Newsom, San Joaquin County Office of Education, and San Joaquin County Public Health Office



Distance Learning



Live Lessons

Daily interaction and teaching from classroom teacher through technology while student learns at home



Curriculum

River Islands Academies adopted curriculum, social emotional learning, and targeted intervention/enrichment



Support

Daily teacher office hours for live student and parent support; supplemental digital resources for intervention and enrichment; school office and technology hours available



Attendance

- Attendance is vital to your child's success
- Please ensure that your child attends all of his/her distance learning classes throughout every day
- Attendance will be taken at the beginning of every session



Distance Learning Dress Code

- Students need to come to class dressed and ready for the day
 - School uniform shirt
 - College shirt
 - Spirit shirt
 - Any school club shirt (ex: running, academic teams, camp)
 - No hats or hoods
 - No pajamas
 - Shirt and pants/shorts/skirt required



Material Pick-Up Day

August 11th (TK/K)

August 12th (1st-8th grade)

- On **Tuesday, August 11th**, TK and Kindergarten will be having a material pick-up day at your child's designated school site (STEAM or RiTechA)
- On **Wednesday, August 12th** (first day of school), 1st-8th grade will be having a material pick-up day at your child's designated school site (STEAM or RiTechA)
- Devices, class materials, and a small student activity will be distributed.
- Specific information about location of pick-up will be emailed soon.



Material Pick-Up Day

August 11th (TK/K)

August 12th (1st-8th grade)

TK*/Kinder (Aug. 11)

9:00 - 9:30	A-C
9:30 - 10:00	D-J
10:00 - 10:30	K-Q
10:30 - 11:00	R-Z
11:00 - 11:45	Open Pick Up

1st-8th Grade (Aug. 12)

9:00 - 9:45	A-C
9:45 - 10:30	D-J
10:30 - 11:15	K-Q
11:15 - 12:00	R-Z
3:15 - 4:00	Open Pick Up

*TK at STEAM Academy



TK* Schedule

MTThF

8:30 - 9:20 Group A
9:30 - 10:20 Group B
10:30 - 11:15 Group A
11:30 - 12:15 Group B
12:15 - 1:00 Lunch
2:00 - 2:30 Office Hours

Wednesday

8:30 - 9:30 ALL
10:00 - 12:30 Assessments/Small Group
Intervention

* TK is offered at STEAM Academy

Groups will be assigned by teachers prior to August 13th and may be adjusted throughout Distance Learning.



Kinder/1st Grade Schedule (Aug. 13-21)

MTThF

8:30 - 9:20 Group A
9:30 - 10:20 Group B
10:30 - 11:20 Group C
11:30 - 12:30 Lunch
12:30 - 1:30 Individual Assessments
2:00- 2:30 Office Hours

Wednesday

8:30 - 9:30 ALL
10:00 - 12:30 Assessments/Small Group
Intervention

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Kinder and 1st Grade Change of Schedule (Aug. 24)

Kindergarten

MTThF

8:30 - 9:20 Group One
9:30 - 10:20 Group Two
10:30 - 11:15 Group A
11:30 - 12:15 Group B
12:15 - 1:00 Lunch
1:00 - 1:45 Group C
2:00 - 2:30 Office Hours

Wednesday

8:30 - 9:30 ALL
10:00 - 12:30 Assessments/Small Group
Intervention

1st Grade

MTThF

8:30 - 9:30 ALL (Build up to one hour)
9:45 - 10:30 Group A
10:45 - 11:30 Group B
11:30 - 12:15 Lunch
12:15 - 1:15 ALL (Build up to one hour)
1:30 - 2:00 Small Groups/Tutoring
2:00 - 2:30 Office Hours

Wednesday

8:30 - 9:30 ALL
10:00 - 12:30 Assessments/Small Group
Intervention

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2nd and 3rd Grade Schedule

MTThF

9:00 - 10:00 ALL
10:20 - 11:20 ALL
11:20 - 12:15 Lunch
12:15 - 1:00 Group A
1:15 - 2:00 Group B
2:00 - 2:30 Office Hours

Wednesday

9:00 - 10:00 ALL
10:20 - 11:20 ALL
11:30 - 12:30 Small Group/Intervention

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4th and 5th Grade Schedule

MTThF

9:00 - 10:15 ALL
10:15 - 10:30 Break
10:30 - 11:45 ALL
11:45 - 12:20 Lunch
12:30 - 1:30 ALL
2:00 - 2:30 Office Hours

Wednesday

9:00 - 10:00 ALL
10:20 - 11:20 ALL
11:30 - 12:30 Small Group/Intervention



6th-8th Grade Schedule

MTThF

9:00 - 10:15 Session 1
10:15 - 10:30 Break
10:30 - 11:45 Session 2
11:45 - 12:30 Lunch
12:30 - 1:45 Session 3
2:00 - 2:30 Office Hours

Wednesday

9:00 - 10:00 ALL
10:20 - 11:20 ALL
11:30 - 12:30 Small Group/Intervention



Meeting Instructional Needs

- Focus on English Language Arts and Mathematics with additional time for Social Studies, Science, and enrichment activities
- Implement a plan to identify loss of learning and provide appropriate intervention
- Support Special Education, English Learners, and students with unique needs by continuing services throughout Distance Learning
- Provide teachers and staff with professional development to support students and families in distance learning



Supporting Emotional Health

- Plan beginning of the year classroom activities with thoughtful transitions to build trust and establish classroom communities
- Utilize small group LIVE sessions to build teacher and student relationships
- Integrate social-emotional learning lessons and activities
- Follow mandated reporting laws



Family and Student Supports

- Focus on building positive and meaningful relationships with students and families
- Communicate with families through weekly grade level newsletters, monthly school newsletters, app and website
- Prioritize social-emotional well-being by incorporating engaging lessons
- Provide technology support to students, parents and staff
- Attend a virtual Parent Night to learn more about their child's classroom procedures, policies, curriculum, and programs



Teacher Office Hours

- Teachers will be available Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 2:00–2:30
- Office hours are open and available for student support
- Private meetings can be scheduled by contacting your child's teacher



Food Services

Prices as of August 12th

- The lunch program will continue to provide breakfast and lunches for students. However, as of August 12, 2020, there will be a charge for breakfast and/or lunch for students who do not qualify for the free lunch program.
- Grab and Go breakfast and lunch meals will be available to pick up at STEAM Academy for both RiTechA and STEAM students
- **Breakfast & Lunch Pick up options:**
 - Tuesday pickup 12:00–1:00
 - Thursday pickup 2:30–3:30

Curbside breakfast Prices			
	Free	Reduced	Full
All Grades	\$0.00	\$0.30	\$1.75
Curbside Lunch Prices			
	Free	Reduced	Full
All Grades	\$0.00	\$0.40	\$3.00
5 Day Package Prices (Lunch)			
	Free	Reduced	Full
All Grades	\$0.00	\$2.00	\$15.00
5 Day Package Prices (Breakfast)			
	Free	Reduced	Full
All Grades	\$0.00	\$1.50	\$8.75
5 Day Package Prices (Breakfast & Lunch)			
	Free	Reduced	Full
All Grades	\$0.00	\$3.50	\$23.75



Additional Lunch Information

- Link to online payments: <https://www.k12paymentcenter.com/>
- Link to Free and Reduced Applications
<https://www.lunchapplication.com/>
- Link to ordering form
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1tE8ilo2g676DhNWnECYuxAg4revBe-DZIWPyCuLCI7o/edit>



Virtual Meet the Teacher Night

- Families will receive an email from their child's teacher on Tuesday, August 4th including a welcome video message and a survey to learn more about your child
- Students and families will have an opportunity to meet their teacher by appointment on Wednesday, August 5th (STEAM) and Thursday, August 6th (RiTechA). Teachers will be sending out a Sign Up Genius on August 4th.

Our teachers are so excited to meet their new students!