



## Monday Memo

*"Special Tuesday Edition"*

*January 17, 2023*

### Note from Head of School

Dear Rising Tide Students and Families,

We hope that you and your families had a restful long weekend, with yesterday's national holiday honoring the work of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. along with many others during the Civil Rights Movement.

Here at Rising Tide, we strive to grow as a school community in which each student feels a sense of place and belonging in an environment that supports equitable opportunities for developing skills towards successful outcomes. Just before the holiday break, our Board of Trustees approved a Commitment to [Diversity, Belonging, Inclusion, and Equity](#) that you can find on our website. The development of cultural proficiency and cross-cultural skills is critical for the current and future success of all individuals in our community and beyond.

We hope to see many of you tomorrow night at Arts Night!

Have a wonderful week.

Sincerely,

Michael O'Keefe  
Head of School

### Upcoming Events

**Tuesday, January 17:** There will be a [virtual information session at 7:00 pm](#) for Middle School families to learn about Title I targeted support at the Middle School.

**Wednesday, January 18:** Rising Tide will host a Winter Arts Show featuring the creative work and performances of students in grades 5-12. It will begin at 6:00 pm at Rising Tide.

**Friday, January 20:** Student Government will host the Upper School Winter Formal in the Atrium at Rising Tide from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Tickets are on sale now during lunch for \$5, or they can be purchased at the door for \$10.

**Saturday, January 21:** Rising Tide will host an Enrollment Open House for prospective students and their families interested in applying to Rising Tide for the 2023-2024 school year. The Open House will begin at 9:00 am in the School's Atrium.

**Monday, January 23:** The Rising Tide Board of Trustees will have its monthly meeting at 7:00 pm via Zoom. This meeting is open to the public.

**Tuesday, January 24:** Students in grade five will participate in STEM programming at Gillette Stadium for the day.

**Wednesday, January 25:** There will be a Parent Information Meeting at 6:00 pm for parents/guardians of grade 8 students who will be traveling to Italy this spring.

**Thursday, January 26:** There will be a virtual information session at 7:00 pm for Upper School families to learn more about Title I targeted support at the Upper School.

### [2022-2023 Academic Calendar for Families](#)

## Announcements

### Winter Art Show

Join us this Wednesday, January 18, for an exciting evening celebrating the Arts at Rising Tide! Works and performances from students in grades 5-12 will be showcased beginning at 6:00 pm (doors open at 5:45 pm). Families and friends are welcome!



### Rising Tide to Host Enrollment Open House on January 21

Rising Tide will host an enrollment open house on Saturday, January 21 at 9:00 am. Families of students entering grades 5 to 11 this fall are invited to attend and learn about the school's curriculum, meet staff and faculty, and visit classrooms on student-led tours of the school. One last open house before the enrollment period closes will be held on Wednesday, February 1 at 6:30 pm. Please share this information with your friends who may be interested in applying.

Rising Tide is currently accepting applications for enrollment for grades 5-11 for the 2023-2024 school year. The deadline to submit an application is **Thursday, February 9, 2023 at 3:00 pm**. [Details on how to apply can be found here](#)

If there are more eligible applicants than available spaces, the school will hold an annual enrollment lottery. The enrollment lottery will be conducted in a public forum on Wednesday, February 15, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at our school building.

### Update from Rising Tide's Parent Group

#### Upper School Winter Formal Refreshments

The Upper School Student Government leaders have reached out asking for help securing refreshments for the Winter Formal this Friday, January 20 from 7:00 - 9:00 pm. [Click here for the Sign-Up Genius to see what donations they are seeking](#). Thank you for supporting the students' efforts to build stronger community ties!

#### January Meeting Notes

We held our first meeting of the year on Thursday, January 5. If you missed the meeting, [click here](#) to read what happened and how you can get involved this semester.



*Upper School*  
**Winter Formal**

At Rising Tide Charter Public School

**January 20, 2023**

**7-9 P.M.**

Tickets on sale now!

\$5 during lunch

\$10 at the door

### **Seniors, Please Share Your Future Plans**

We invite all Rising Tide seniors to share your future planning news. Please email announcements and photos to Martha Popoloski at [mpopoloski@risingtide.org](mailto:mpopoloski@risingtide.org). Announcements might include college acceptances, final post-Tide plans, or scholarships students received. In the past, photos have often shown students sporting their college gear or holding up an acceptance letter. We know decisions are still rolling in and plans are being finalized, so feel free to share updates whenever you have the chance.

### **Communications for School Closings Due to Inclement Weather**

In the event that school must be canceled or delayed because of snow, unusual weather conditions, or emergency circumstances, Rising Tide families will receive an email, a telephone call, and a text message. Additionally, announcements will be listed on WCVBTV 5, WHDHTV 7, WBZ, Channel 4, and FOX 25 television stations and websites. An announcement will also be posted on the Rising Tide homepage. Rising Tide can call

school autonomously from the Plymouth Public School District, which means that if Plymouth Public Schools are closed, it does not necessarily mean Rising Tide will be closed.

## Athletic Updates

### Athletic Games This Week

#### Tuesday, January 17

Girls Varsity Basketball @ SJPII at 4:30 pm

Location: SJPII

Boys JV Basketball vs. SJPII at 4:00 pm

Location: Sacred Heart

Boys Varsity Basketball vs. SJPII at 5:30 pm

Location: Sacred Heart

Girls Middle School Basketball vs. Trinity Christian at 3:45 pm

Location: Village Sports Club

Boys Middle School Basketball vs. Trinity Christian at 5:15 pm

Location: Village Sports Club



#### Thursday, January 19

Boys JV Basketball vs. SSCA at 4:00 pm

Location: Sacred Heart

Boys Varsity Basketball vs. SSCA at 5:30 pm

Location: Sacred Heart

Girls Varsity Basketball @ SSCA at 3:30 pm

Location: Hanover U

Girls Middle School Basketball @ Cape Cod Academy at 3:45 pm

Location: Cape Cod Academy

Boys Middle School Basketball @ Cape Cod Academy at 5:15 pm

Location: Cape Cod Academy

## Recent Happenings At Rising Tide

### Eighth Grades Participate in Bridge Design Challenge

Eighth-grade science students completed the building and testing of their toothpick bridges. This design challenge consisted of students constructing bridges with toothpicks and then writing up a formal lab report. They applied their knowledge and understanding of the content learned during their Bridge Unit to better understand how forces act on bridges.





## Rising Tide Welcomed Inclusion and Equity Speaker

Anthony Ervin, from the Lewis and Gaines Center for Inclusion and Equity at Bridgewater State University (BSU), gave a presentation to juniors last week. He spoke about his life path, from his military career to work supporting diversity at BSU.



## Quick Links and Contacts

**Breakfast and Lunch at Rising Tide:** The state government has extended the eligibility for all students in our breakfast/lunch program for the 2022-2023 school year. This means that all Rising Tide students have access to one free breakfast meal *and* one free lunch meal each school day. Please note that students still need to walk through the cashier lines for recording purposes and will need their PIN numbers (located on the upper right hand side of their schedules) in order to do so. Rising Tide's breakfast and lunch program is catered by the Plymouth Public Schools. Check out January's lunch menu [here](#).

**Attendance Line:** Call (508) 747-2620, ext. 102 to report your child's absence from school.

Complete a [Notes from Home to Rising Tide Office Form](#) to share daily communication with our office staff at Rising Tide, including dismissal information.

**Health and COVID-19 Questions:** Contact Nurse Leader, Lisa Hughes, at [lhughes@risingtide.org](mailto:lhughes@risingtide.org). You can also call (508) 747-2620 x115.

**IT Help:** Complete the [IT Help Desk Form](#).

## Stay Connected with Rising Tide!

Don't forget to connect with Rising Tide on social media. We post news and photos on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.



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