



June 2025

Dear Incoming Grade 5 Families,

Welcome to Grade 5 at Rising Tide! It was wonderful meeting so many new students and families at the Accepted Students Day event held in March, and the Grade 5 teachers are looking forward to getting to know each student throughout the fall term.

As part of the transition into the middle school community, students can look forward to some Grade 5 beginning-of-the-year traditions. There will be opportunities for meeting new classmates and teachers while working together to take on fun challenges. In August and September, students will participate in many team-building activities. In the fall, students and their Advisors will work together to plan and host an after-school social event for Grade 5 and 6 students. The Grade 5 team will also be planning an Advisory field trip for students, as a way to make connections to the curriculum during the school year.

Summer reading is an opportunity for learning enrichment and enjoyment. We encourage all incoming Grade 5 students and families to join us in the [summer reading experience](#) by picking one (or more!) of our four selected books. Reading a book together and discussing it in a group is a great way to build a sense of community. It can promote an interest in reading and connect students to each other through a shared experience. These books will also help to introduce the grade-level Guiding Question, “What is my place in the community?”

The following page includes a supply list for starting the new school year in Grade 5. Some supplies will remain at school, so all items should be labeled with students’ names. Students will also be able to bring in their school supplies at our Open House on Monday, August 25, prior to the first day of school.

Thank you for your assistance and your support. We look forward to seeing you in August!

Sincerely,  
The Grade 5 Team

## Grade 5 Supply List for the 2025-2026 Academic Year:

- Pencils
- 3 Highlighters
- Eraser or eraser caps
- Pencil bag
- Handheld pencil sharpener
- 1 Package of dry erase markers
- 5 Two-pocket folders
- 2 Notebooks
- Headphones
- 1 Binder (Science)
- 1 package of binder dividers
- Sneakers (*for Physical Education class, during the Second Semester starting in January*)

*\*Students will be provided with a Chromebook laptop and an agenda planner by the school*