



June 2025

Dear Incoming Grade 7 Families,

Welcome to Grade 7 at Rising Tide! We see this grade as an important transition point for students as they develop into responsible young people. Our goal is to support each student in the process of becoming an independent, lifelong learner. We encourage students to work hard and will help support them to give their best effort in all classes.

We are asking for the help of parents and guardians in fostering this growth by supporting students in taking increased personal responsibility at school. Our expectation is that each student should complete their assigned homework on time and come to class prepared each day. We believe that regular homework is important for students, as it provides them with meaningful practice of academic skills. This regular practice prepares them for future lessons, and deepens understanding of the content material.

The Grade 7 school year will provide many opportunities for exploration and growth. We plan the Advisory curriculum in connection to the Grade 7 Guiding Question, "How do we face challenges?" In the fall, Grade 7 students will engage in a variety of team-building activities, focused around facing challenges as individuals and in groups. This coming year, students will have new opportunities within the curriculum, such as developing public speaking and performance skills, learning to conduct research, and learning a world language.

Summer reading is an opportunity for learning enrichment and enjoyment. We have selected [four reading options](#) for students this summer. All of these books connect to the Grade 7 Guiding Question, related to the importance of persevering through challenges. Students should come to school in the fall prepared to discuss the various challenges presented in their chosen book. Families are also encouraged to read along and discuss the book with students at home.

Increased organization is also a goal that we have for each student and that is critical to students' success in Grade 7 and beyond. With that goal in mind, please find a list of school supplies on the following page.

We look forward to seeing you all at the Open House event on Monday, August 25!

Sincerely,

The Grade 7 Team

Grade 7 Supply List for the 2025-2026 Academic Year:

- **GENERAL SUPPLIES**
 - 72 Pencils
 - 1 Pencil sharpener
 - 1 Small pack of color pencils
 - 5 Pens- black or blue
 - 3 Highlighters
 - *Students will be provided with a Chromebook laptop and an agenda planner by the school*
- **PHYSICAL EDUCATION**
 - Sneakers (*for First Semester*)
 - One 2 pocket folder
- **ELA**
 - Either a 3 ring binder OR folder
 - Lined loose-leaf paper
 - Sticky notes
- **SCIENCE**
 - Either a 3 ring binder OR two folders (one for references/readings, one for student work)
 - Lined loose-leaf paper
 - Highlighter
 - Dry erase marker
 - Ruler
- **MATH**
 - 2 wide-ruled composition notebooks for math
 - 72 regular yellow pencils with erasers
 - Pencil Sharpener
 - Ruler
 - Protractor
 - Study two pocket folder
 - Dry erase markers & small eraser or cloth
 - Basic Calculator
- **SPANISH**
 - 1 Three ring binder
 - Lined loose-leaf paper/Notebook
 - Notecards
 - 1 Highlighter
 - 1 Dry erase marker
- **SOCIAL STUDIES**
 - Three Ring Binder (at least one-inch)
 - Loose leaf paper
 - Highlighter(s)
 - tabs for your binder