



# Bishop Reding Catholic Secondary School

September 2023 - Grade Level Assemblies



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# Digital Citizenship

*Digital citizenship is the continuously developing norms of appropriate, responsible, and empowered technology use.*

- ▶ Student behaviour in digital spaces is subject to the HCDSB Code of Conduct.
- ▶ Students that digitally post or circulate harmful/offensive pictures, videos, memes, or other materials of another student or about a Code-protected ground will be held accountable for their actions.
- ▶ Never take videos/photos inside private spaces (including: washrooms, changerooms)
- ▶ Taking video or photos of an unsuspecting individual is doing so without consent.
- ▶ Progressive Discipline (including suspensions) will be applied to online behaviours that impact the school culture.
- ▶ If the incident is serious, police may be contacted.



*"What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God."*

**Micah 6:8**

## RESPONDING TO HATE OR BIAS MOTIVATED INCIDENTS

**How can you disrupt harmful and discriminatory language or behaviour?**



*That's not funny!*  
*I am not comfortable with that.*  
*That is offensive.*  
*Help me understand your thinking.*  
*I am sorry, what?*  
*What you just said is harmful.*  
*That is not okay with me.*  
*We don't say things like that.*



# Awareness Campaign

- ▶ Campaign Against Use of the N-Word
  - ▶ Infographic
  - ▶ Guided Learning Slideshow Video
- ▶ This is a part of an awareness campaign to eradicate the use of hate speech and slurs in schools.

## Say NO to the N-Word!

HCDSB'S CAMPAIGN AGAINST  
THE USE OF HATE SPEECH  
AND SLURS

HALTON  
CATHOLIC  
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

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Why can't I say it?

Because it is hurtful, violent  
and it denies dignity!

But I didn't say it to a Black person!



It does not matter who the  
word is directed towards.  
The word should never be  
said, written, or read in any  
HCDSB environment!

But why do Black people get to say it?

HCDSB aims to create and maintain  
environments where all students can feel safe.  
This word can be hurtful to other students. Not  
all Black students have reclaimed the word.  
This word is never okay in schools regardless of  
who says it!



NEVER SAY IT!  
NEVER WRITE IT!  
NEVER READ IT OUT!



Micah 6:8

"What does the Lord require of  
you? Do justice, love kindness and  
to walk humbly with our God."





# Attendance

- ▶ Regular attendance is important
- ▶ Absences must be reported by parents/guardians using School Messenger or by calling 1-844-445-4505
- ▶ **Make sure your parent/guardian inputs your absence. Students with unverified absences from the day before will be sent to the office to clear it before being admitted to class.**
- ▶ If you are arriving after 8:25:
  - ▶ Must report to the office.
  - ▶ All other classes the expectation is that you are on time. If you are late, you will be sent to the office either at the 6<sup>th</sup> late; or, at your teacher's discretion.
  - ▶ If you sign in late at the office, but do not go to class, there will be a consequence that may result in a suspension.





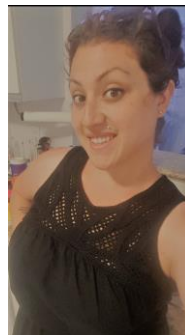
# Attendance

- ▶ Before leaving the school, you must SIGN OUT in the Attendance office. When returning to school, you must also sign in.
  - ▶ A sign out is not complete until you confirm in the attendance office
- ▶ If you become ill during the day
  - ▶ Inform your teacher immediately.
  - ▶ Follow your teacher's instructions; you will be asked to report to the office.
  - ▶ Do not stay in the bathroom - if you cannot get back to your classroom, report to the office.

## Your Attendance Secretaries:



Ms. MacLennan



Ms. McLean

# Daily Schedule 2023 2024

Warning Bell	8:00 a.m.
Period One	8:05 – 9:20 a.m.
Period Two	9:25 – 10:40 a.m.
Period Three	10:45 – 12:00 p.m.
Period Four	12:05 – 1:20 p.m.
Period Five	1:25 – 2:40 p.m.

After school hours: students can only remain on property under the direct supervision of a staff member (ie: Coach, Club, Tutoring Program, Credit Rescue)





# My School Day App- KEEP INFORMED!

- ▶ In lieu of printed agendas, BR will be using the My School Day App which you can download.
- ▶ Daily announcements will be posted here
- ▶ Keep an eye out for class and team channels



STUDENT HANDBOOK AND AGENDA  
2022 – 2023

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# My School Day

Quick Start for Students  
and Parents

Fall 2023

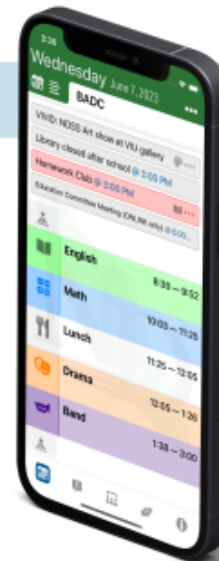
## 1. Download the app

You can find the app - **it's free to download!** - on the App Store (iOS) or Google Play (Android) by

- Searching in the store for "My School Day"
- Going to <https://myschoolday.app/download> in the browser on your phone
- Using the QR code at right.



**Make sure** to allow it to receive notifications when asked - the school will use them to send out important reminders, information and alerts.



## 2. Select your school

The first time you start the app you will need to select your school. Choose a province, school district, and finally your school from the lists provided, and tap "confirm". *This only needs to be done once.*

## 3. Follow channels.

Channels let the school administration and teachers send out information specific to your classes and activities, so you get only those notifications for your classes and those of interest to the entire school. To subscribe to channels:

- Tap on the "Classes" icon
- Tap "Follow Channels" in the menu
- Tap the checkboxes for the channels you are interested in
- Tap on the "Done" button.

**Remember to check back regularly for new channels** that your teachers may have added.



## 4. Enter your classes

Tapping on the classes icon also gives you an option to set up your timetable. Select that option and enter your class names and select colours and icons. You can also enter morning, lunch, and after school activities. When you tap on "Done", the app will fill in your timetable.

## 5. Access school information, links and files

The school and teachers will add links and files that provide resources to the school community such as course materials for remote learning, health advisories, and other school, district, and provincial information. To access these school-wide and channel-specific resources:

- Tap the info icon at the right hand side of the tab bar:

Remember to check back regularly for new resources that your teachers may have added.



**QUICK  
REFERENCE  
GUIDE** to help  
students and  
parents get  
started

**[MySchoolDay1Page-app](https://myschoolday.app)**

# Community: Life Skills



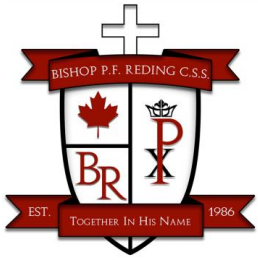
- \*be aware (space, surroundings)
- \*mobility challenges- help out, give space
- \*be welcoming (say hi)... hallways, in classes





# Representing in the Community

- ▶ Wherever you go, you represent yourself, your family, and the school community in your actions and words.
- ▶ Represent yourself accordingly BR!
- ▶ Be considerate to our community partners - especially food providers.
- ▶ Inappropriate behaviour within the community may result in school consequences.
- ▶ BE CAREFUL when crossing roads in the community- use crosswalks and lights to safely cross
- ▶ Cross at Thompson and Main



# Uniform

- ▶ Students must be in full uniform EVERYWHERE in the school (including hallways and the cafeteria even during lunch)
- ▶ Please refer to the Agenda for proper uniform items:
  - ▶ No hats/bandanas/hoods in the school
  - ▶ Closed toe/heel shoes
  - ▶ Only plain white t-shirts under uniform shirts
  - ▶ No long sleeve shirts under short sleeve shirts
  - ▶ Only McCarthy/ISW clothing items that include a BR logo are considered uniform
  - ▶ Grad Sweaters are NOT uniform and are not permitted in class.
  - ▶ Spirit/sport wear is NOT part of the uniform - unless it is the Bishop Reding Spirit Hoodie!
- ▶ Religious head coverings are the only automatic exception to the uniform. All other uniform exceptions must be approved by an administrator in the Main Office.



# Uniform

- ▶ Out of Uniform = In Office Until Resolved
- ▶ Consequences for being out of Uniform:
  - ▶ 1<sup>st</sup> time – warning
  - ▶ 2<sup>nd</sup> time – school consequence
  - ▶ 3<sup>rd</sup> time – further consequences + call home
  - ▶ 4<sup>th</sup> time – may result in suspension





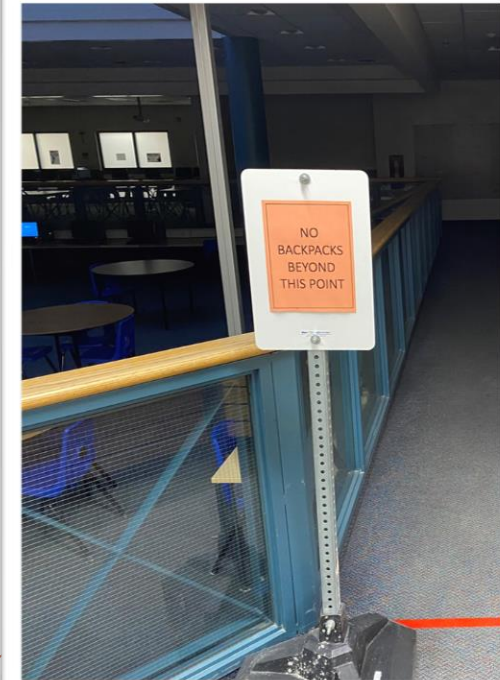
# Bags & Lockers

- ▶ Due to the number of portables, students are allowed to take a bag and/or a jacket to their portable classes.
- ▶ All portables have hooks at the back of the classroom. All items must be stored at the hooks and not at the desks.
- ▶ Jackets/non-uniform items are NOT permitted in **in-building** classrooms. These must be stored in your locker.
- ▶ Bags are permitted in in-building classrooms ONLY IF the bag fits inside a desk cubby. If the bag does not fit, it must also be stored in your locker.
- ▶ Lockers must be locked – do not leave it open and unattended.
- ▶ Video for opening locks is on the LIB Instagram page.





# Library





# Smoking & Vaping & Chewing Tobacco

- ▶ Not allowed on school property (including inside your cars and on school transportation) – a Provincial law. Suspension may result for first offense and addressed progressively for repeat instances.
- ▶ By-law officers will fine students found on school property using these products
- ▶ A vape in hand is an activated vape.
- ▶ Automatic suspension for students found contravening the Smoke Free Ontario Act. If you are in possession of a vape inside a school washroom, you have contravened the SFOA.
- ▶ These rules also apply to school buses.

# Lunch Hours & Spares

- ▶ Classes run on all periods of the day—including the lunch hours.
- ▶ Students are not permitted to walk the halls during their lunch hours/spares.
- ▶ Students on lunch/spare are only allowed in the:
  - ▶ Cafeteria
  - ▶ Foyer
  - ▶ Piazza
  - ▶ Outside Picnic Areas



# Food/Drink

- ▶ Nut free school – “Sabrina’s Law”
- ▶ Be respectful of the school AND community. **Clean up** after yourselves... “Should look like no one was there”.



# Cars & Parking

- ▶ Dangerous driving is a serious offense
- ▶ Drive carefully and safely in the parking lot and surrounding areas.
- ▶ Driving a car onto school property is a privilege not a right – if necessary, the administration reserves the right to refuse property access to a vehicle and even trespass a vehicle from the property
- ▶ Must register your car and obtain a parking pass from the main office.
  - ▶ Students must park in the rear spaces by the football field
- ▶ Ensure you are parked in student parking
- ▶ While walking in the parking lot, be aware.



# Visitors

- ▶ All visitors to Bishop Reding must be approved by the administration.
- ▶ Students from other schools will NOT be permitted/approved under any circumstance to visit the school.
- ▶ Individuals not from BR found on our property will be trespassed through Halton Police.
- ▶ BR students that help/encourage an unapproved visitor to travel our school community will face a consequence. This includes civvies days.



# Opposition to Authority

- ▶ School consequences will result when inappropriate behaviour occurs on school property, during school events, or if an event occurring off school property affects the climate of the school.
- ▶ Zero tolerance for alcohol, drugs, fighting, racial slurs.
- ▶ Students who do not report to the office as directed by a staff member will receive a consequence, including a possible suspension
- ▶ Students that do not give their name or give a false name to a staff member will receive a consequence, including a possible suspension.
- ▶ When in doubt – report to the office.
- ▶ You must follow the direction of all staff. Failure to do so may lead to a school consequence.
  - ▶ For Example: Teachers, Lunch Supervisors, Admin Staff, Commissionaire





# Fighting/Violence/Weapons

- ▶ Under no circumstances should one student strike another student. This includes punching, kicking, shoving, slapping, or throwing an object.
- ▶ Whether intentional, playful, or otherwise, these actions will not be tolerated and will result in school consequences.
- ▶ Students are not permitted to bring weapons of any kind into the school. This includes multi-tools (i.e. Swiss Army Tools) that have blades in them and replicas (of any sort).



# Busing

- ▶ Extension of the school – same expectations
- ▶ Privilege not a right
- ▶ Must be on the registered list to ride the bus
- ▶ [haltonbus.ca](http://haltonbus.ca)



▶ **Welcome from our  
school Chaplain....**

▶ **Ms. O'Connell**



**THANK YOU!**

**WISHING YOU A GREAT  
SEMESTER BR!!**