



THE INSIDE VIEW

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RIVERVIEW GARDENS SCHOOL DISTRICT 2021-2022 RETURN TO SCHOOL



THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL IS AUG. 23



RGSD WELCOMES SCHOLARS BACK TO IN-PERSON LEARNING

Riverview Gardens School District will welcome scholars back to in-person learning when the 2021-2022 school year begins on Monday, Aug. 23.

Please review the Riverview Gardens School District's [2021-2022 Return to School Plan](#). This plan was approved by the Special Administrative Board at the June 22, 2021 board meeting. It calls for a return to in-person learning for all students and grade levels.

All new & returning K-12 students must [register online](#) before the start of school. Early childhood students must register in person at Michelle Obama ECAC.

The Return to School Plan is subject to change based on the guidance of the CDC, DESE and St. Louis County. RGSD is committed to providing a safe and healthy learning environment for all students and staff.

RIVERVIEW GARDENS SCHOOL DISTRICT NEWSLETTER



IMPORTANT DATES

**8/23 - FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
DISTRICTWIDE**

**8/24 - SAB MEETING - OPEN SESSION
7PM**

**8/31 - DEADLINE TO COMPLETE
RGSD PARENT/COMMUNITY
COMMUNICATIONS SURVEYS**

9/02 - MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO MEETING

**9/06 - LABOR DAY HOLIDAY
DISTRICT CLOSED**



Riverview Gardens
SCHOOL DISTRICT

**ALL NEW & RETURNING
K-12 STUDENTS MUST
BE REGISTERED ONLINE
FOR THE 2021-2022
SCHOOL YEAR**

rgsd.k12.mo.us/register



STAFF SPOTLIGHT - TIFFANY HUNTER

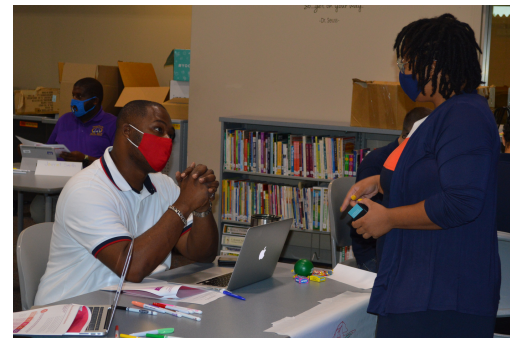


Tiffany Hunter serves as the Instructional Coach for Lemasters Elementary School. She has served in education for eight years, with seven of those years being in service at Lemasters.

"I am eager to support the teachers and families with instruction throughout the school year," Hunter stated.

"This year our focus will be growth mindset; our scholars will work on setting goals and creating purpose for their learning. As educators our goal is to create lifelong learners through the application of real world experiences into our classrooms."

SCENES FROM THE 'VIEW





**SWEET READS
BOOKMOBILE**

TANGLEWOOD PARK

**THURSDAYS &
FRIDAYS 9AM -3 PM**

OPEN TO ALL



**COMMUNICATIONS
SURVEY**

**We care
what you
think!**

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RIVERVIEW EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP



Dr. Lynn Beckwith was recognized as a 2021 Pioneer in Education by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.



Mrs. Veronica Morrow-Reel was named Chair of the Region 7 Executive Committee of the Missouri School Board Association.



Superintendent Dr. Scott Spurgeon was presented with the National Award of Merit from the Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater St. Louis.



RGSD IS HIRING

APPLY TODAY

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For information on school supply lists & school uniforms, please visit the website of your child's school. Uniform assistance is available.

THE SUPER'S REVIEW

By Dr. Scott Spurgeon, Superintendent of Schools



Dear RGSD Ramily,

I want to welcome our returning scholars and families to the 2021-2022 school year. The first day of school is **Monday, August 23**.

As you know, we are living in unprecedented times due to the impact the Coronavirus has had on the world, our country, state, and region. We have had to make some adjustments to the way we do business in our lives and in the Riverview Gardens School District.

I want to thank each parent, scholar and community member for your dedication to our scholars during this pandemic. Due to COVID-19, we were forced to rely on virtual instruction for most of the 2020-2021 school year. However, the RGSD [Return to School Plan](#), approved by the Special Administrative Board on June 23, 2021, calls for all students to return to school for in-person classroom instruction for the 2021-2022 school year.

The health and safety of our students, staff and community is our top priority. Therefore, RGSD will require face coverings for students, staff and visitors inside all buildings, in accordance with the guidelines provided by St. Louis County, the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Additional information on the health & safety protocols, precautions and procedures can be found online on the [RGSD website](#).

Since I began as Superintendent in 2013, each year we have risen to the occasion, overcome some great obstacles, and shined. This has occurred because of our relentless pursuit of excellence, passion for our students, and dedication to our schools and the RGSD community. I know that we will get through this challenging time together.

Please be assured that we will continue to monitor the activity of the Coronavirus and any variation of the original virus. We will continue to make decisions based on the most up-to-date data as we move forward into the 2021-2022 school year. I am so looking forward to seeing our scholars return to in-person learning as we continue to work towards regaining full accreditation for the Riverview Gardens School District.

"Being challenged in life is inevitable, being defeated is optional." – Roger Crawford

Even in times like these, It's A Great Day to Be A Ram!