

WELCOME TO MICHAEL A. RIFFEL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL



LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We wish to acknowledge that mistakes were made, and promises were broken to the Indigenous Peoples of Canada.

We value and appreciate living and learning on Treaty 4 Territory, traditional lands of the nêhiyawak, nahkawé, Nakota, and homeland of the Métis, Lakota, and Dakota nations.

We are committed to healing severed relationships through equity and justice, while embracing diversity. We are determined to restore and respect Mother Earth for future generations.

*~Courtesy of Grade 8 Students of St.
Nicholas School*



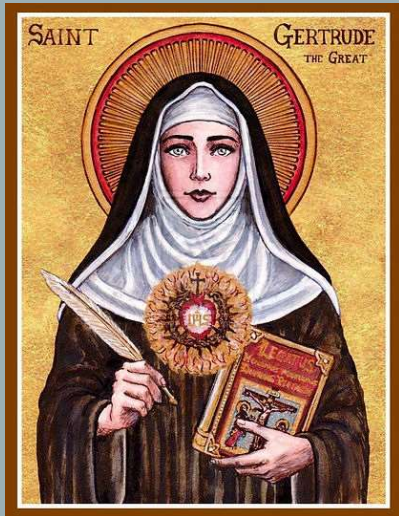
O'CANADA

Michael A. Riffel Catholic High School
Vocal Jazz Group

with Ms. Stacy Allan



PRAYER



St. Gertrude the Great is our Patron Saint

Dear Lord,

A house is a building, whereas a home is a place where people are connected to one another, care for each other, learn and grow together. A home is a place where every person feels welcomed and loved. Lord, we know that everyone at Riffel is trying to make this place something more than a building, we are trying to make Riffel a home away from home. We ask that your welcoming spirit be evident as we meet with our future students and their parents this evening. May your loving presence be with us as we welcome all to our Riffel family and help prepare the foundation for a wonderful experience here, learning and growing in our faith, academics and relationships.

Amen

St. Gertrude the Great – Pray for Us



CATHOLIC SCHOOL COMMUNITY COUNCIL (C.S.C.C.)

CSCC Co-Chairperson

- Mr. Olufemi Eseyin



ADMINISTRATIVE GREETINGS

Principal

- Mr. Mark Wernikowski

Vice-Principal

- Mr. Trevor Troy



GUIDANCE COUNSELLORS

- Ms. Kyla Warnecke
- Ms. Lisa Hanson





WELCOME,
2027 GRADUATES!

UPHOLD THE CROSS, CAPTURE THE CROWN

We are committed to working with our students as they continue to develop:

- Academically/Intellectually
- Emotionally/Socially
- Spiritually



TOOLS FOR SUCCESS

1. Attendance – Regular and Punctual
2. Positive and Willing Attitude
3. Completion of Assignments
4. Preparation for class



HOW WILL YOU BE SUPPORTED?

- **Student Services** – personal and/or post-secondary counselling, available during the school day by drop-in or appointment
- **Family Support Worker** – personal counselling and/or family outreach support
- **Drug & Alcohol Counsellor** – family and/or personal addictions support and awareness-building
- **Indigenous High School Advisor** – relationship-building, connecting students to helpful resources for school success
- **Mental Health and Wellness Specialist** – creates programming to build awareness on mental health topics and reduce stigma
- **EAL Program** – supports culturally and linguistically diverse students in achieving grade level outcomes in the regular classroom.



HOW WILL YOU BE SUPPORTED?

- **Nutrition Program** – healthy and delicious breakfast, snack, and lunch options at a reduced cost
- **Grade 9 Mentorship** – relationship-building with Grade 9s to help incorporate strategies for school success
- **Learning Resource** – ELA or Math pathway that allows for increased time and attention in learning concepts
- **Tutorial Periods** – timetabled, teacher-supervised periods that replace an elective course if you are experiencing challenges in subject such as ELA or Math
- **Peer Tutoring** – once-weekly noon hour subject-area help provided by student volunteers



GRADE 9 COURSES

Grade 9 students will take 10 classes over the course of the year.

- Catholic Studies
- English Language Arts (one per semester)
- Mathematics (one per semester)
- Social Studies
- Science
- Arts Education
- Health/Physical Education
- One course of your choice (French **or** Practical and Applied Arts)



HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAMMING

- Riffel can accommodate high performance athletic training with the following programs:
 - Flexible scheduling by creating a hybrid schedule (face to face and Learning Online)
 - High Performance Phys Ed courses in grade 11 and 12 level.
 - High Performance Psychology/ Health Science / Life Transitions in grade 11 and 12



REGINA CATHOLIC SCHOOLS LEARNING ONLINE

- Learning online has provided course options to students in Regina Catholic School Division since 2009
- More than 60 course options at all grade levels are available in Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Humanities, Catholic Studies, Physical Education, Business Education and Technology
- Learning Online is supported by Principal, Jodi Wilton
- Courses are Asynchronous which means students can access course content where and when it fits into their schedule



MEETING STUDENTS' ACADEMIC NEEDS

We offer specific programming to meet your needs in both ELA and/or Math

- Regular programming
- Learning Resource programming
- Advanced programming

"How do I know what is right for my child?"

Discuss with your Grade 8 teacher!



LEARNING RESOURCE PROGRAM

- Riffel offers additional support to students who struggle academically.
- Learning Resource (LR) Math and Learning Resource (LR) ELA courses at the grade 9 level.
- Students achieve **regular curricular outcomes** in Learning Resources classes.
- If you feel your child is a candidate, please discuss this with their grade 8 teacher.
- More information to follow in break-out session in room 112

ADVANCED PROGRAM

- Riffel offers Advanced courses in ELA and Math
- The Advanced pathway leads students through Grades 9 to 12 where they eventually challenge an international Advanced Placement exam where they can potentially earn a University credit.
- Students should be highly motivated and open to a challenging and rigorous academic program.
- If you feel your child is a candidate, please discuss this with their grade 8 teacher.
- More information to follow in break-out session in room 116

ELECTIVE CLASS

One of two grade 9 electives:

- **French 9**
 - Continues the core French program that is part of grades 5 – 9 – however, students can enter the French program pathway in grade 9!
- **PAA 9**
 - Three components which include **Food Studies** ($\frac{1}{3}$ semester experience), **Industrial Arts** (Applied Technology) ($\frac{1}{3}$ semester experience) and **Information Processing** ($\frac{1}{3}$ semester experience)



SAMPLE SCHEDULE

Semester 1	Semester 2
ELA A9	Social Studies 9
Arts Education 9	ELA B9
Science 9	French 9 (or PAA 9)
Physical Education 9	Math B9
Math A9	Catholic Studies 9



PASSION FOR MUSIC

Classes are Early Bird (7:45 am to 8:45 am) **or** at lunch.

Open to all students.

- **Choral 9**
 - *2 times per week and sectionals*
- **Vocal Jazz 9**
 - *2 times per week (must audition and must be part of Choral)*
- **Band 9**
 - *2 times per week and sectionals*



EXTRA-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

Get involved!!



Clubs

- Art Club
- Best Buddies
- Book Club
- Canteen
- Chamber Choir/Ensemble
- Drum Group
- GSA
- Honour Choir
- Drama and Improv
- St. Faustina Swim
- Mega Volley/RIT
- Peer Tutoring
- Praise and Worship Music
- Scorekeepers
- SRC
- Team Manager/Athletic Trainer
- Yearbook

Sports

- Badminton
- Basketball
- Cross Country
- Curling
- Football
- Flag Football
- Golf
- Hockey
- Soccer
- Track and Field
- Volleyball
- Wrestling



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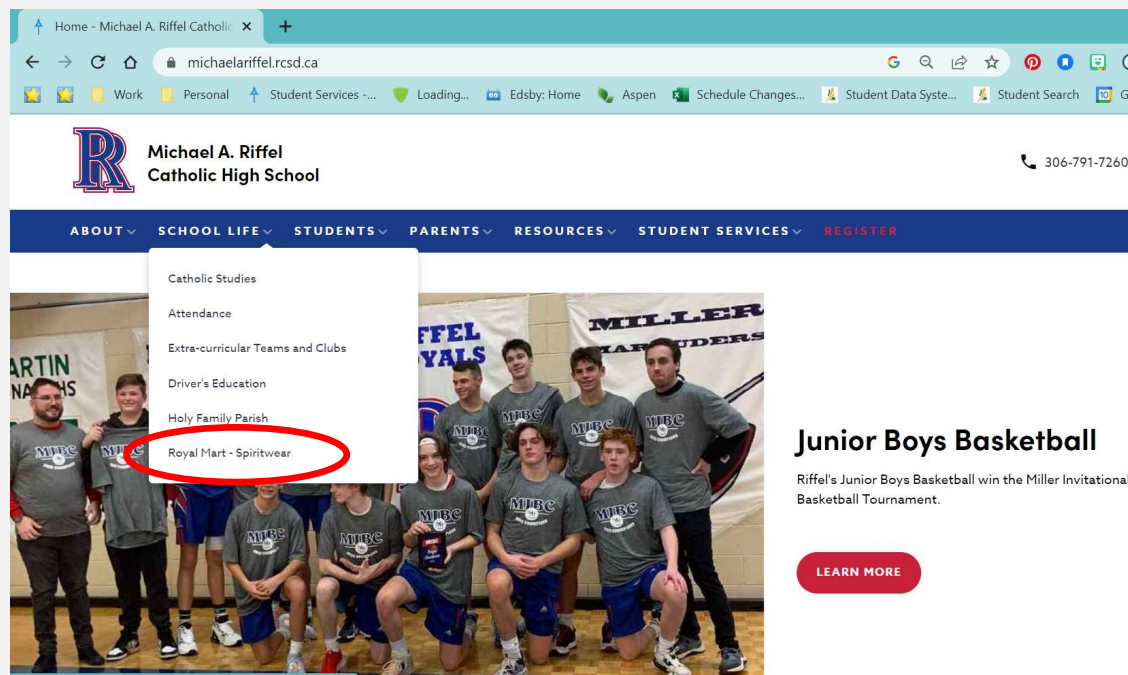
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<https://www.rcsd.ca/school/MichaelARiffel>



RIFFEL ROYAL MART



REGISTRATION FORMS

- Please return your registration form to your grade 8 teacher due on or before:

Friday, February 17, 2023

- **Associate schools** – leave your registration form with your grade 8 teacher or drop it off at the Riffel Main Office
- **Non-associate schools** (RCSD or RPS) - please complete online registration found on the Riffel home page.



LEARNING RESOURCE PRESENTATION RM. 112
ADVANCED PLACEMENT PRESENTATION RM 116
SCHOOL TOUR

QUESTIONS?

CONTACT STUDENT SERVICES AT
RIFFELGUIDANCE@RCSD.CA



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