

STUDENT & PARENT HANDBOOK

2018-2019



Rio Americano High School

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RIO AMERICANO HIGH SCHOOL VISION STATEMENT

All students will have access to a challenging curriculum that supports their graduation and enhances their post-secondary education and careers and instills a lifelong commitment to learning and their community.

RIO AMERICANO HIGH SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT

Rio Americano provides an academically excellent environment to educate and inspire each student to succeed and meet the challenges of the future, through a variety of integrated college and career programs, within a supportive, nurturing community.

SCHOOLWIDE LEARNER OUTCOMES

Rio Americano students are:

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATORS

Speak effectively

Write effectively

Listen with an open mind

Locate, interpret, evaluate, organize, and process text

Present information using technology

Support arguments with effective evidence

INDEPENDENT, CREATIVE AND CRITICAL THINKERS

Apply knowledge to solve problems

Access and process information utilizing current technology

Synthesize the information, skills, and concepts acquired through curriculum

Develop educated opinions and make well-informed choices

SELF-DIRECTED LEARNERS

Set goals and use self-discipline to move towards these goals

Maintain curiosity about learning

Develop specialized talents and interests

Master skills for success in higher education/careers

ETHICAL CONTRIBUTORS TO SCHOOL COMMUNITY AND SOCIETY

Work well with others

Demonstrate acceptance of human individuality and diversity

Contribute to the well-being of others and the environment



2018 – 2019

STUDENT CALENDAR

AUGUST

M	T	W	T	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

SEPTEMBER

M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

OCTOBER

M	T	W	T	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
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NOVEMBER

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DECEMBER

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31				

JANUARY

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FEBRUARY

M	T	W	T	F
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18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	

MARCH

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18	19	20	21	22
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APRIL

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22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

MAY

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JUNE

M	T	W	T	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

Days Not in School
Federal or State Holiday (No School)
School Recess or Local Holidays (No School)
Summer Break

HOLIDAYS

Sept. 3 – Labor Day
 Nov. 12 – Veterans' Day (Observed)
 Nov. 22 – Thanksgiving Day
 Dec. 25 – Christmas Day
 Jan. 1 – New Year's Day
 Jan. 21 – Martin Luther King Jr. Day
 Feb. 18 – Presidents' Day
 Feb. 19 – Lincoln's Birthday Observed
 May 28 – Memorial Day

NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS

Nov. 9 – Teacher Work Day
 Nov. 19 – 21, 23 – Thanksgiving Break
 December 24, 25-31 and Jan. 2 - 4 – Winter Recess
 Jan. 7 – Teacher Work Day
 Feb. 20 – 22 – Presidents Week Break
 April 15 – 19 – Spring Break

BELL SCHEDULES 2018-2019

MONDAY & FRIDAY SCHEDULE

Period 0	7:00 - 7:55 am
Period 1	8:00 - 8:59 am
Period 2	9:04 - 10:04 am
Break	10:04 - 10:11 am
Period 3	10:16 - 11:16 am
Period 4	11:21 - 12:21 pm
Lunch	12:21 - 12:51 pm
Period 5	12:56 - 1:56 pm
Period 6	2:01 - 3:00 pm

TUESDAY BLOCK DAY

Period 0	7:00 - 7:55 am
Period 1	8:00 - 10:04 am
Break	10:04 - 10:11 am
Period 3	10:16 - 12:21 pm
Lunch	12:21 - 12:51 pm
Period 5	12:56 - 3:00 pm

WEDNESDAY BLOCK DAY

Period 0	7:00 - 7:55 am
Period 2	8:00 - 10:04 am
Break	10:04 - 10:11 am
Period 4	10:16 - 12:21 pm
Lunch	12:21 - 12:51 pm
Period 56	12:56 - 3:00 pm

THURSDAY SCHEDULE

Period 0	7:00 - 7:55 am
Period 1	8:00 - 8:47 am
Period 2	8:52 - 9:40 am
Break	9:40 - 9:47 am
Period 3	9:52 - 10:39 am
Period 4	10:44 - 11:31 am
Period 5	11:36 - 12:23 pm
Lunch	12:23 - 12:53 pm
Period 6	12:58 - 1:45 pm

ALTERNATIVE BELL SCHEDULES

Rally Schedule

Period 0	7:00 - 7:55 am
Period 1	8:00 - 8:54 am
Period 2	8:59 - 9:53 am
Break	9:53 - 9:58 am
Period 3	10:03 - 10:57 am
Period 4	11:02 - 11:57 am
RALLY	12:02 - 12:32 pm
LUNCH	12:32 - 1:02 pm
Period 5	1:07 - 2:01 pm
Period 6	2:06 - 3:00 pm

Minimum Day Schedule

Back-to-School – September 12, 2018

Open House – April 3, 2019

Graduation Day – June 10, 2019

Last Day of School – June 11, 2019

Period 0	7:15 - 7:55 am
Period 1	8:00 - 8:40 am
Period 2	8:45 - 9:25 am
Period 3	9:30 - 10:10 am
Break	10:10 - 10:20 am
Period 4	10:25 - 11:05 am
Period 5	11:10 - 11:50 am
Period 6	11:55 - 12:35 pm

Finals Bell Schedule:

1st Semester – December 19, 20, & 21, 2018

2nd Semester - Undergrad Finals – June 6, 7 & 10

Period 0	7:00 - 7:55 am
Final	8:00 - 10:10 am
Break	10:10 - 10:20 am
Final	10:25 - 12:35 pm

RIO AMERICANO IS A CLOSED CAMPUS ALL VISITORS MUST REGISTER IN THE MAIN OFFICE

- No student visitors are allowed in classes.
- All Rio students must have student body ID at all times.
- No special lunch passes will be given.
- Students may not order lunch from outside vendors to be delivered on campus.
- All students leaving campus early must have an "early dismissal" or proper student body ID with R.O.P. or open period sticker.

RIO AMERICANO HIGH SCHOOL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Athletic Director	971-7505
Malaya Cabrera, Athletic Director	
Janet Cutler, Clerk	
(Office hours are 11:30 am – 3:30 pm Monday – Wednesday and Friday)	
Attendance Office/Main Office	971-7500 or 971-7501
Valerie Powell, Senior Records & Reports Clerk	
Natasha Richards, ICT	
Attendance Absence Recorder	971-7522
Counseling (CD Office)	971-7502
Meghan Wilson, Counselor (Class of 2019) Heather Jensen, Counselor (Class of 2020)	
Emily Greene, Counselor (Class of 2021) Elizabeth Irwin, Counselor (Class of 2022)	
Shari Gauthier, Counselor, Special Projects	
Chelsie Serrano, Secretary Demeris Athey, Counseling ICT	
CIVITAS Office	971-7417
FAX – Main Office	971-7513
FAX – Counseling Office	971-7504
FAX – Financial Office	979-8537
FAX – Registrar	979-8337
Financial Office	971-7497
Kimberly Cleveland, Controller	
Food Services/Kitchen	971-7524
Doug Gwiazdon, Supervisor	
Library	971-7498
Laura Wood, Librarian	
Ramona Witek, Textbook Clerk	
Principal’s Office (Admin Office)	971-7494 #9
Brian Ginter, Principal	
Bonnie Bjorgum	979-8860
Registrar	971-7496
Sara Dunn	
Vice Principal’s Office	971-7499
Robert Kerr, Vice Principal (A-I)	
Jennifer Dalton, Vice Principal (J-P)	
Richard Nichols, Vice Principal (Q-Z)	
Alluria Smith, Secretary	

PARENT GROUPS

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Athletic Boosters, Rafael Ruano	arwaterpolo@yahoo.com

IMPORTANT DATES 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

Student Check-In Days (Schedules, School Pictures, textbooks, etc.)	August 8-10, & 13
New Families Orientation (6 – 8 PM)	August 13
FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL	August 16
Back-to-School & Duck Derby Rally	September 7
Back-to-School Dance (7:30 – 10:30 PM)	September 7
Grad Night Senior Family Picnic	September 9
Back-to-School Night (Minimum Day School Dismissal at 12:35PM)	September 12
Picture Make-Up Day	September 13
College Night	September 13
Homecoming Rally/Game (game played at Del Campo for a night game (JV 5:30 PM/ VAR 7:15 PM)	September 21
Homecoming Dance (7:30 – 10:30 PM)	September 22
Duck Derby Drawing and Celebration	September 28
Non-Instructional Day – No School	October 5 & 8
PSAT Testing (during school day)	October 17
Non-Instructional Day – No School	November 9
Veteran’s Day Holiday – No School	November 12
Thanksgiving Break – No School	November 19 – 23
First Semester Finals (Minimum Day School Dismissal at 12:35 PM)	December 19 – 21
Winter Break (December 24 – January 4)	December 24– January 7
& Non-Instructional Day (January 7) No School	
Martin Luther King, Jr Holiday – No School	January 21
President’s Week – No School	February 18-22
GALA Dance (7:30 – 10:30 PM)	March 9
Open House (Minimum Day School Dismissal at 12:35 PM)	April 4
Spring Break – No School	April 15 – 19
Memorial Day Holiday – No School	May 27
Second Semester Finals for Seniors	June 4 & 5
(Block days: 6/4 Periods 0, 1, 3, 5 and 6/5 Periods 0, 2, 4, 6)	
Senior Check-Out & Brunch	June 6
Graduation	June 10
Practice – (11-1 PM)	
Ceremony (3–5 PM)	
Finals for Undergrads	June 6-10
June 6 Periods 0, 1, 2 – June 7 Periods 0, 3, 4 & June 10 Periods 0, 5, 6	
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (Minimum Day School Dismissal at 12:35 PM)	June 11
PTSA & One Rio Meeting (7 PM).....	9/19, 10/10, 12/12, 1/9, 2/13, 3/13, 4/10, 5/8
Athletic Booster Meetings (RAAB)	9/10, 10/1, 11/5, 12/3, 1/7, 2/4, 3/4, 4/1, 5/6
Rio Americano Band Boosters (RABB).....	8/29, 1/16
Science Booster Meetings (RASB)	September, October, March, May

SCHOOL GOVERNANCE

Administration and Staff - Rio Americano has a principal and three full-time vice principals. A leadership team elected by teachers meets with the Principal monthly to make decisions regarding staff professional development.

Site Council is an elected group of representatives consisting of parents, students, teachers, an administrator, and one classified employee. The council meets monthly to oversee implementation of the **SIP (School Improvement Program)** Plan and to determine the budget for the State School Improvement grant and any one-time monies made available to the school. A school improvement planning workshop to collect input from the entire school community is held in February.

Rio Student Government is made up of elected representatives from each 4th period class and meets monthly to facilitate communication between Administration and Student Government and the rest of the student body. The Student Body Vice President chairs this committee.

PARENT GROUPS

PTSA (PARENT/ TEACHER/ STUDENT ASSOCIATION)

PTSA supports student learning at Rio in a number of important ways. PTSA organizes hundreds of parent volunteers, publishes a monthly school wide newsletter, and collects donations to fund PTSA activities and grant staff requests for supplemental instructional resources. Funds are raised through membership dues, direct donations, the Fashion Show and Entertainment Book sales. Meetings are usually held the second Wednesday of the month.

Rio Newsflash – PTSA publishes a newsflash to keep the campus community informed. This is a primary source for communicating with parents, so be sure to review it each month. Sign up for the newsflash by visiting the Rio Americano website at www.sanjuan.edu/rioamericano and choosing Students & Families and then under the drop down menu choosing Rio Newsflash.

Grad Night – A long-lived tradition at Rio is the grad party for seniors following graduation where graduates can celebrate with each other in a safe environment all night long! Underclassmen parents chaperone the event. Grad Night has its own support organization to raise funds and plan this event.

RIO and BEYOND – Rio and Beyond volunteers organize a College Night in the fall and conduct interviews with students to inform them about their college and career options, college entrance requirements, and important application deadlines.

BOOSTER ORGANIZATIONS

Rio Americano Athletic Boosters (RAAB) – Athletic Boosters raise funds to support the athletic programs including assistance in funding coaching salaries and sports equipment. All parents are encouraged to join and support their fund-raising efforts by attending their fall barbecue, buying grocery scrip year round, and buying 4th of July fireworks at their stand on Arden and Eastern.

Rio Americano Band Boosters (RABB) - Band Boosters support the instrumental music program at Rio. Major events are a play-a-thon in the fall, a dinner dance for parents co-sponsored with Arden Middle School, and winter and spring concerts.

Rio Americano Science Boosters (RASB) – Science Boosters is an organization of parents and friends who support science education at Rio Americano. Rio's science department has a long tradition of excellence. RASB supports a rapidly growing science program to provide a quality science education.

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

ATTENDANCE

Reporting an absence

Regular, punctual attendance is required; attendance is the responsibility of both the parent and the student. All absences must be cleared by a note or phone call from the parent or guardian within 5 school days. Absences which are not cleared within 5 school days automatically become truanancies. Parents will be notified via the automated phone calling system whenever a student is reported absent the previous day from one or more classes. Students and parents may also access their attendance record via the student information system, Q.

To clear an absence, please send your student to the Attendance Office with a note or call the 24-hour attendance line at 971-7522 (to be used after school hours). Parents are asked to call the school's attendance phone during school hours to clear absences at 971-7500. The following information is needed:

1. The date of absence.
2. Student's name and student number and a contact number.
3. Your name and relationship to student.
4. Reason for absence.

If you are unaware of an absence, please call the Attendance Office at 971-7500 between 7:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. to speak with one of the attendance secretaries.

Arriving late to school

Students arriving late during the day should go directly to the Attendance Office with a note from a parent, doctor, dentist, etc. If the student does not have a note from one of the above, the parent should call 971-7500 to clear the absence during school hours or the 24 hour attendance line after school hours.

Truancy

Any absence from school for one or more periods, or a partial period, without consent of parent(s) or guardian and without prior permission from school, is truancy. A student tardy to any period in excess of 30 minutes will also be considered truant and must be cleared through the Attendance Office. Students should check their individual attendance profile by using their personal PIN & password login to Q. If a student notices an error, they should immediately get a correction form from the Attendance Office and have the teacher correct the error and then turn the form in to the Attendance Office.

Seniors who accumulate more than 6 truanancies per period (i.e., 30 truanancies for 5 periods) during the school year will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony and placed on social probation for the remainder of the school year. Seniors enrolled after the 1st semester and mid-year graduates will not participate in the graduation ceremony if they accumulate 18 or more periods of truancy (or 15 if a student has an open period).

Tardy Policy

Students who accumulate tardies are subject to a progressive discipline policy beginning with detention and leading to suspensions. Referrals are made for any student who accumulates six or more tardies per semester to a single class

Tardies 1 – 3 to a class: Teacher warning.

Tardies 4 – 6 to a class: Detention assigned by the teacher and parent contact.

Tardy 7 or more to a class: Teacher assigned Saturday School and parent contact.

Q	Interim Ends (last day of grading period)	Marks Due 7:45 AM	DFI Notifications	Marks Posted (viewable in Q)
Interim 1	September 14	September 18		September 21
Interim 2	October 12	October 16	October 16	October 19
Interim 3	November 16	November 27	November 27	November 30
Semester 1	January 7	January 8		January 11
Interim 4	February 8	February 12		February 15
Interim 5	March 21	March 26	March 26	March 29
Interim 6	May 3	May 7	May 7	May 10
Semester 2	June 11	June 12		June 14

Early Dismissal

Any student leaving school before the end of the instructional day must have permission and an authorized early dismissal slip in advance from the Attendance Office. The slip must include the student's signature. Students must come to the Attendance Office when sent for and sign the early dismissal. If a student needs to leave campus, he/she must arrive with a note from a parent and make arrangements prior to 8:00 am, at break or at lunch. **A student who leaves school without an early dismissal is truant and in violation of Rio's closed campus policy which is a suspendable offense. After the fact parent permission is not legally permissible. It is unlawful for anyone to take a student from school during the school day without permission.**

GRADING POLICY

Students receive interim grades three times a semester. These interim progress grades are available online by accessing your student's records in Q. At the close of each semester, a report card/transcript is issued for the semester. These report cards/transcripts are mailed to families at the end of the first and second semesters (January/June) and should be received within two weeks of semester end. Students and parents may always view assignment and grades posted via Q at any time.

Only final semester grades are recorded on the transcript which is the student's permanent record. Transcripts are important documents and should be kept in a safe place. Constant monitoring of graduation requirements is to be the joint responsibility of the student, the parent and the student's counselor. Five units of credit toward graduation are earned each semester a student receives a D or higher in a class.

The expeditious follow-up of the interim progress grade is the joint responsibility of the parent and student with assistance from the instructor and counselor. Parents are encouraged to contact teachers. The number for each teacher's voice mail can be obtained from Rio's website or the main office. Teachers are encouraged to return calls within 48 hours.

Teachers have the ultimate responsibility for assessing the academic achievement of students. If a grade is to be changed for any reason, it can only be done by the teacher on the approved grade change form and in accordance with board policy.

GRADING POLICY

Academic Grades

A letter system is used for semester grades which reflect the following scale:

- A - Superior
- B - Above average
- C - Average
- D - Below average
- F - Failure
- I - Incomplete

Academic grades reflect the quality and quantity of academic work completed during the grading period. The students have the right to know the objectives and standards of expected achievement for each scholastic grade. Teachers will distribute policies at the beginning of each year/semester pertaining to homework and grading. Policies are also distributed to parents in each classroom at Back-to-School Night. (Parents are strongly encouraged to attend the Back-to-School Night at Rio.)

Citizenship Grades

Citizenship grades reflect attitude, cooperation, behavior, participation and attendance. Each student is responsible for his/her behavior, including responsibility for understanding and following local standards of behavior. It is the responsibility of each student to develop self-discipline consistent with school policies. It is the responsibility of the school personnel to monitor student behavior to ensure that the school environment is safe, orderly, and conducive to learning. The citizenship grade for each student will be based on conduct, cooperation, integrity, effort, attitude and attendance/tardiness. Teacher criteria are communicated to students at the beginning of each semester.

- A. The citizenship grade for each student will be based on conduct, cooperation, integrity, effort, attitude and attendance (to include tardiness).
- B. The general guidelines for determining the citizenship grade are as follows:
 1. An **“A”** grade in citizenship should represent the standard of good classroom citizenship. This standard should indicate that the student is attentive, stays on task, complies with teacher requests, is courteous to others, treats equipment well, contributes positively to the class learning climate, follows class rules and procedures, and is on time to class.
 2. The **“B”** student demonstrates occasional transgressions in the expectations listed in the standards for the **“A”** student but makes an effort not to repeat them.
 3. The **“C”** student may be inattentive, off task, unprepared and demonstrates little effort or ability to correct these behaviors. The student requires frequent reminders to remain on task. In addition, the **“C”** student may often be tardy to class.
 4. The **“D”** student is disruptive to the class learning climate and makes little effort to correct these behaviors even after disciplinary actions are taken. The **“D”** student occasionally fails to comply with teacher requests and fails to follow class rules on procedures and policies. The student may exhibit unacceptable or rude interpersonal behavior. The **“S”** student may be frequently tardy during the grading period.
 5. The **“F”** student persistently disrupts the class learning environment. The **“F”** student habitually fails to follow class procedures and policies, often disrupts those around him/her, and fails to respect the rights and property of others. The **“F”** student may be chronically absent from or tardy to class.

Homework Policy

Homework is the practice, preparation and/or extension of a related learning activity that occurs outside of regular class time. The average for homework time per academic class is 30 to 60 minutes daily. Students will be responsible for completing assignments, and managing their time on long-term projects. Teachers will communicate to the student and parent expectations for homework and its impact on grades.

Make-up Homework

It is the student's responsibility to arrange with teachers to make up work missed due to absences. For planned absences, the student should request homework in advance and complete prior to the absence if possible. It is expected that course work missed during an absence will be made up. The student is responsible for arranging a plan with the teacher to complete any work missed. District policy provides that students "who are absent for any reason other than truancy shall be allowed to complete all missed assignments and tests that can be reasonably provided." **Homework is only requested through the Attendance Office if a student is out for three (3) or more consecutive days. Please allow 24 hours for make-up homework to be ready for pick-up.** Students shall receive full credit for assignments which are satisfactorily completed within the reasonable time agreed to by the teacher.

Students are not entitled to make up work for truanancies.

Integrity Policy

Rio Americano is an educational community where personal integrity is highly valued. Academic dishonesty demonstrates a lack of high personal integrity and is not tolerated. The following conduct, if committed by a student of Rio Americano High School while engaged or participating in any school sponsored activity, will be considered a breach of integrity and may subject the student to the consequences outlined below:

- A. Academic dishonesty in all its forms, in course work, on examination, or in other academically related activities, including but not limited to:**
- 1) Copying from another student or knowingly allowing another to copy;
 - 2) Using unauthorized materials and/or technologies;
 - 3) Plagiarizing work, which means the appropriation of any other person's work without acknowledgment in one's own work offered for credit;
 - 4) Knowingly obtaining, possessing, providing, using, buying, selling or soliciting in whole or in part the contents of an examination or paper;
 - 5) Intentionally causing a disadvantage to other students (intentionally tainting lab results, destroying other person's product, erasing another person's program or work, etc.);
 - 6) Altering grades;
 - 7) Forging.
- B. The First Breach of Integrity* will result in the following consequences:**
- 1) The grade will be lowered at the teacher's discretion;
 - 2) A referral citing the problem will be sent to the administration for disciplinary action;
 - 3) The citizenship grade will be appropriately lowered;
 - 4) The teacher must contact the parent (per SJUSD Board policy).
- C. The following consequences will be administered when the second Breach of Integrity referral is filed with the student's administrator:**
- 1) No letters of recommendation will be written by the instructor(s);
 - 2) No student who has a Breach of Integrity report on file can be valedictorian/salutatorian;
 - 3) Students have the option of requesting a conference with the administrator, teacher, student and parent. The ultimate determination of a student's grade is the sole responsibility of the teacher.

Breaches of Integrity are accumulated for all 4 years of high school

*(*Note: Further consequences for breach of integrity may be stated in the teacher's individual classroom policy.)*

9-12 Division Drop-F Policy

The following provisions will serve as school policy for grading when a student fails to complete a class in which he/she is formally enrolled:

- Students who enroll in classes are expected to complete those classes on either a semester or year basis.
- After 20 regular school days of each semester, students may not add a course for full credit.
- Students who drop a course after 20 regular school days shall receive a drop "F" grade for that class that will appear on the transcript as 5 units of "F".
- Based on the recommendation of the teacher, Department Chair, and administrator, a student may change academic levels without the penalty of an "F" grade.
- The final decision concerning drop "F" for all class changes will rest with the principal.

Process for Addressing Classroom Concerns

This is meant to be a guide for students and parents to address classroom concerns with teachers. It applies to classroom situations involving homework, tests, academic and citizenship grades and behavioral issues.

1. The student should make arrangements to discuss the matter at a time convenient for both the student and the teacher. Class time does not allow adequate time and privacy for such a meeting.
2. If the student feels that the issue has not been resolved, the next step would be for the parent to schedule a meeting, so the parent, student and teacher can meet. If the parent or teacher feels that an administrator or counselor is needed, either can be asked to attend the meeting.
3. If the meeting with the teacher, parent and student does not resolve the issue, the next step is to have a meeting that includes the student's vice-principal.
4. The last step in the process would be a meeting with the parent, student, teacher and the principal.

It should be noted that this is a progressive process to allow concerns to be resolved at the lowest possible level. If there is a question about the student being placed in the appropriate level class or if it is a behavioral issue, the counselor should be involved.

Class Scheduling

Because class instruction begins on the first day of school, valuable instruction time is missed when students change schedules during the first two weeks of school.

Guidelines to class schedule requests - Class schedule change requests may be requested only if they meet one or more of the following conditions:

- 1) Level change,
- 2) Incomplete schedule,
- 3) Medical consideration,
- 4) Class leveling to meet teacher contract,
- 5) Failed class with assigned teacher.

Please Note: All schedule changes are made on a space available basis.

CAMPUS POLICIES

The following are policies of the SJUSD and/or Rio Americano High School:

ALCOHOL/DRUGS: Unlawfully possessed, used, sold, or otherwise furnished, or been under the influence of, a controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind, including all forms of electronic/vape devices associated with THC (Tetrahydrocannabinol), CBD (Cannabidiol), or other forms of cannabis/marijuana. Students unlawfully possessing, using,

selling or otherwise furnishing, or being under the influence of any controlled substance, including alcohol or an intoxicant of any kind will receive a three-five (3-5) day suspension, referral to law enforcement, four (4) weeks social probation and possible expulsion.

Closed Campus

For the safety and welfare of students and staff, Rio Americano High School has a closed campus. Once students arrive on campus, even prior to the start of the school day, they may not leave campus for any reason without permission and an authorized early dismissal.

- **Students may not leave campus without an early dismissal.** Any time a student needs to leave campus, he/she must check out through the Attendance Office and obtain a signed and stamped early dismissal. Students who leave campus without prior permission will be subject to discipline for willful disobedience and violation of the District's Closed Campus policy.
- **Students with R.O.P. classes or Open Periods will be issued a sticker for their ID cards.** To leave campus, students must show their student ID card to the campus monitor. Students with a shortened day must leave campus after their last class unless on campus for an approved reason.
- **Student visitors are not allowed on campus.** Students are not to invite friends, relatives, out-of-state relatives/friends, etc., to visit during school hours including breaks and lunch.
- **All non-student visitors must register in the attendance office from 7:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M.** Visitors must wear visitor badges during their time on campus and return them before leaving. Un-authorized visitors will be subject to referral to law enforcement.

Dress Code for all SJUSD High Schools

The dress code is established to promote a positive, psychologically safe, and appropriate learning environment. Extremes in dress or clothing regarded as disruptive or a distraction from the learning environment are not permitted. The district-wide high school dress code applies to all schools. The school administration and staff will have final authority in determining violations of the dress code:

A. Prohibited Clothing/ Accessories

- Clothing, accessories, jewelry or personal items (backpacks, hats, purses, athletic bags, water bottles, etc.) shall be free of writing, pictures, insignia or other symbols which are crude, vulgar, profane or sexually suggestive; or which reference pornography, drugs, alcohol or tobacco; or which advocate racial, ethnic, or religious prejudice and gang affiliation or representation;
- Clothing or accessories that depicts weapons or promotes violence;
- Clothing or accessories considered by school officials or law enforcement to denote gang lifestyle or affiliation, cult affiliation, satanic reference, profanity, or contempt for any race, gender, religion, or sexual orientation. This includes writing, insignias, etc. on backpacks and hats;
- Pajamas or sleep wear;

B. Specific Clothing Restrictions

- Shoes must be worn at all times; house slippers may not be worn;
- Undergarments may not be exposed or worn as outerwear. This includes boxer shorts and sports bras.
- The torso must be covered; bare midriffs, backs, or cleavage must not be exposed while engaging in normal school activities;
- Strapless or spaghetti strap tops, muscle shirts, tank tops, tube tops, or any excessively revealing clothing is not permitted; this includes backless tops and see-through clothing. Tank tops are defined, for the purpose of this dress code, as sleeveless tops with straps, measuring less than 1 inch at the narrowest point. This also applies to sun dresses and other similar garments;
- Skirts must be of moderate length; No micro-mini skirts are allowed. Shorts must have a three inch in-seam; swim suits and running shorts are not permitted;
- Sagging or the appearance of sagging is not permitted. Belts may not hang down from the waist.

C. Specific Accessory Restrictions

- Bandanas of any color, hairnets, do-rags, and wave caps are prohibited.
- Chains, handcuffs, and spiked jewelry of any type are prohibited.
- Hats are not to be worn indoors.

Dress code violations will result in the following:

- First offense: Notation in the student's discipline file, parent contact, and change of clothing.
- Second offense: Saturday school.
- Third offense: Saturday School and four weeks of social probation.

Electronic Devices

Disruptive devices, including but not limited to, radios, IPOD, MP3, headphones, electronic toys/games, beepers, cell phones and unapproved communication devices as stated in SJUSD Board Policy: **Students may not use electronic devices during class time from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm unless assigned by the teacher.** Any student found using an electronic device will face disciplinary consequences, as stated in the SJUSD guidelines for suspension and expulsion.

Extracurricular Activities

School rules are enforced at all school-sponsored functions, regardless of the time, day or location of such events.

Fight Rule

Fighting is defined by the SJUSD as a physical confrontation between two or more students. The following will take place in the event that a student is engaged in a fight:

- For a first fight, students will be home-suspended up to three to five (3-5) days
 - placed on social probation for four (4) weeks;
 - a parent conference will be conducted;
- A second fight committed during the remainder of the current school year or during the subsequent school year may result in five (5) days of home suspension, six (6) weeks of social probation, and possibly recommended for expulsion.
- During a fight or verbal altercation, any student seen gathering, following, encouraging, or recording the incident will be subject to school discipline including possible suspension for defiance of authority and disruption of school activities. Students are expected to walk away from a fight or altercation in order to ensure the safety of all students and to all administrators or teachers to defuse the situation. Multiple offenses will result in additional days of suspension up to expulsion for 48900(k) Willful Defiance and/or Disruption of School Activities after all means of interventions have failed. **Students are encouraged to report any information of students involved in a possible fight or verbal altercation prior to it occurring to the vice principal's office.**

Off-limits Areas of Campus

The area between the buildings and the levee, the parking lots (except the student parking lot when coming to or leaving school), the athletic fields, and the oleanders on the west side of campus are off-limit areas during school hours. Students found in off-limits areas will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension.

Personal Property

Rio Americano does not assume responsibility for any personal property that is lost or stolen while on campus, **including, but not limited to, cars, bikes, backpacks, electronic devices (such as, cell phones, IPODs, IPADs, MP3 players) and locker contents.** **Students are encouraged to leave personal items at home that are not related to instruction.**

Saturday School

Saturday School is a 4 hour detention assigned by the administration on specific Saturday mornings throughout the school-year for disciplinary infractions. Students assigned to Saturday School are notified in advance of the assignment date, time and location to be served. Students are expected to bring school-work to do while there. Students who arrive late will not be admitted. Students who arrive without school-work, who do not work while there, or who are disruptive will be immediately

removed from Saturday School and be referred to the Administration for possible home suspension. Students who fail to attend an assigned Saturday School may be suspended.

Searches

Students are subject to search of car, locker, backpacks, accessories, other property and self, if the Administration has reasonable suspicion.

Signs/Posters

All signs/posters must be approved by the student government advisor and/or administration. Approved signs/posters may be placed in approved areas only. All signs/posters must be removed the day after the event publicized or after five (5) school days if not publicizing an event. Signs/posters are not to be placed on windows or painted surfaces. Clubs and programs may be held financially liable for removal and/or repainting costs.

Social Probation

A student placed on social probation will be prohibited from attending or participating in any non-mandatory school function, activity or event. Non-mandatory school functions, activities or events include, but are not limited to, participation on athletic teams including practices, dances/proms, athletic events, drama and musical productions, student club activities, and activities related to graduation, including the graduation ceremony. Social probation begins on the day of the offense and may last six (6) weeks. Violation of social probation will extend the extracurricular prohibition for an additional time period. Offenses for which social probation will be given include, but are not limited to: possession of drugs or alcohol, being under the influence of a controlled substance, fighting, vandalism, harassment/bullying, breach of integrity and truancy. Any student who accumulates 36 (or 30 if a student has an open period) or more periods of truancy will not be allowed to participate in any extracurricular activities for the remainder of the school year. **Social probation shall include the GRADUATION CEREMONY for seniors, if a student is placed on social probation during the last grading period of the school year.**

Student use of streets adjacent to the campus

Students coming to or leaving the campus may not loiter in front of homes on the streets adjacent to the campus. Private citizens have the option to call law enforcement if students habitually loiter at their property. Students observed by school personnel loitering in front of homes or on the streets before and after school will be subject to disciplinary action.

Trespassing

School campuses are off limits to students between the hours of 8:00 PM and 6:30 AM. Only students who have staff permission or who are engaged in a school-sanctioned event may be on the school premises during the prohibited hours. Students violating this provision by being on school property without the proper permission during the prohibited hours shall be guilty of trespass. Any student found guilty of trespass shall be subject to discipline by his/her home school and be subject to criminal penalties, including citation and/or arrest.

Tobacco and Related Products

Possessed or used tobacco, or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, chewing tobacco, chew packets, and all forms of electronic/vape devices.

Tobacco Policy

In the interest of public health, the San Juan Unified School District is committed to schools being tobacco-free. **Smoking is prohibited on all school campuses at all times by all persons of any age.** Everyone's cooperation is expected. Students smoking on or near campus are subject to disciplinary action.

Vandalism/Pranks

Any damage to Rio's campus through vandalism or pranks will not be tolerated. Students guilty of such acts will be dealt with to the full extent of the Educational Code, the Penal Codes and SJUSD policy. It is the policy of San Juan Unified School District that parents will be held responsible for school property that is lost or damaged by acts of vandalism by

minors under their supervision, and that restitution will be sought from the parents where guilt has been proven. Vandalism includes negligent, willful, or unlawful damaging or taking of any district-owned real or personal property. **Vandalism includes, but is not limited to, the following actions: graffiti, toilet papering of trees, school grounds, or facilities, and the physical damaging or defacing of real or personal property of the District.** In addition to any other disciplinary action which may be imposed on a student for engaging in vandalism, that student will also be placed on social probation.

Vehicles and parking

Vehicles on campus are subject to all the rules of the California Vehicle code, as well as good driving courtesy. Once arriving on campus, students may not be in the parking lot or remain in their cars.

- **Student parking is permitted only in designated areas in the main front parking lots**, but not in spaces designated for visitors;
- It is illegal to park in the red or yellow zones, areas with slanted lines or in reserved or visitor spaces. The red zones are fire lanes and are under the jurisdiction of law enforcement. Fines are very high and are given at the option of law enforcement. Rules governing the fire lanes are in effect 24 hours, 7 days a week.
- **No student parking is allowed in staff parking lots** located on the west side of campus, in the back of campus, the lot in front of the H-Wing, and the lot in front of the special education classrooms;
- Students parked in un-authorized spaces denoted above will be subject to disciplinary action;
- **Vehicles parked on campus are subject to administrative search**, if reasonable suspicion exists.
- Vehicles parked off campus are not accessible during school hours.

Work Permits

Anyone under 18 years of age is required to have a work permit before they can be employed for wages. Permits may be obtained in the Registrar's office (located in the Counseling Office) during the school year. Work permits may be denied or revoked because of poor grades and/or attendance. During summer vacation it may be necessary to have work permits processed at the SJUSD Central Enrollment Office located at 3700 Garfield Avenue, Carmichael, CA 95608

SAN JUAN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

2018-2019 K-12 Pupil Behavior Guidelines

The K-12 Pupil Behavior Guidelines are designed to allow school administration to assess incidents on an individual basis, and to issue pupil discipline that is age appropriate and based on a progressive discipline model.

California Education Code section 48900.5(a) states, "Suspension, including supervised suspension as described in Section 48911.1, shall be imposed only when other means of correction fail to bring about proper conduct. A school district may document the other means of correction used and place that documentation in the pupil's record, which may be accessed pursuant to Section 49069. However, a pupil, including an individual with exceptional needs, as defined in Section 56026, may be suspended, subject to Section 1415 of Title 20 of the United States Code, for any of the reasons enumerated in Section 48900 upon a first offense, if the principal or superintendent of schools determines that the pupil violated subdivision (a), (b), (c), (d), or (e) of Section 48900 or that the pupil's presence causes a danger to persons."

School site administrators may use discretion when warranted to provide other means of correction to suspension and/or expulsion.

Alternatives to suspension or expulsion shall be used with students who are truant, tardy, or otherwise absent from assigned school activities. (EC 48900(w)/AR 5144.1)

Education Code	Other Means of Correction	May Suspend	May Recommend Expulsion	Contact Safe Schools
48900(a)(1) Caused, attempted to cause, or threatened to cause physical injury to another person. Threats Fight	May be considered May be considered	Yes Yes	Yes Yes	Optional Optional
48900(a)(2) Willfully used force or violence upon the person of another, except in self-defense. {Reference: 48915(a)(1)(A) and 48915(a)(1)(E)}	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required
48900(b) Possessed, sold, or otherwise furnished a firearm, knife, explosive, or other dangerous object, unless in the case of possession of an object of this type, the pupil had obtained written permission to possess the item from a certificated school employee, which is concurred in by the principal or the designee of the principal. {Reference: 48915(a)(1)(B), 48915(c)(1), 48915(c)(2), and 48915(c)(5)}	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required
48900(c) Unlawfully possessed, used, sold, or otherwise furnished, or been under the influence of, a controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind. Under the influence Possession Furnishing Sale {Reference: 48915(a)(1)(C) and 48915(c)(3)}	May be considered May be considered May be considered Not considered	Yes Yes Yes Required	Yes Yes Yes Required	Optional Required Required Required

48900(d) Unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell a controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, an alcoholic beverage, or an intoxicant of any kind, and either sold, delivered, or otherwise furnished to a person another liquid, substance, or material and represented the liquid, substance, or material as a controlled substance, alcoholic beverage, or intoxicant.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional
Education Code	Other Means of Correction	May Suspend	May Recommend Expulsion	Contact Safe Schools
48900(e) Committed or attempted to commit robbery or extortion. {Reference 48915(a)(1)(D)}	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required
48900(f) Caused or attempted to cause damage to school property or private property. Minimal damage Extensive damage	May be considered May be considered	Yes Yes	No Yes	Optional Required
48900(g) Stole or attempted to steal school property or private property	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional
48900(h) Possessed or used tobacco, or products containing tobacco or nicotine products, including, but not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, miniature cigars, clove cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chew packets, and betel. However, this section does not prohibit use or possession by a pupil of his or her own prescription products.	May be considered	Yes	No	No
48900(i) Committed an obscene act or engaged in habitual profanity or vulgarity. Obscene act Habitual Profanity	May be considered May be considered	Yes Yes	Yes No	Optional No
48900(j) Unlawfully possessed or unlawfully offered, arranged, or negotiated to sell drug paraphernalia, as defined in Section 11014.5 of the Health and Safety Code.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional
48900(k) (1) Disrupted school activities or otherwise willfully defied the valid authority of supervisors, teachers, administrators, school officials, or other school personnel engaged in the performance of their duties; (2) Except as provided in Section 48910, a pupil enrolled in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 3, inclusive, shall not be suspended for any of the acts enumerated in this subdivision, and this subdivision shall not constitute grounds for a pupil enrolled in kindergarten or any of grades 1 to 12, inclusive, to be recommended for expulsion. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cheating/Plagiarism • Forgery • Dress code violation • Gang affiliation or behavior • Gambling • Defiance of authority • Unauthorized parking • Failed to serve Saturday detention • Electronic device violation • Closed campus violation • Initiating a false fire alarm • Inappropriate computer access • Reckless driving • Trespassing • Verbal altercation • Other disruptive or defiant behavior 	Must be considered (K-3)	Yes (4-12)	No	No
48900(l) Knowingly received stolen school property or private property.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional

48900(m) Possessed an imitation firearm. As used in this section, "imitation firearm" means a replica of a firearm that is so substantially similar in physical properties to an existing firearm as to lead a reasonable person to conclude that the replica is a firearm.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional
48900(n) Committed or attempted to commit a sexual assault as defined in Section 261, 266c, 286, 288, 288a, or 289 of the Penal Code or committed a sexual battery as defined in Section 243.4 of the Penal Code. {Reference 48915(c)(4)}	Not considered	Required	Required	Required
48900(o) Harassed, threatened, or intimidated a pupil who is a complaining witness or a witness in a school disciplinary proceeding for purposes of either preventing that pupil from being a witness or retaliating against that pupil for being a witness, or both.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional
48900(p) Unlawfully offered, arranged to sell, negotiated to sell, or sold the prescription drug Soma.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required

Education Code	Other Means of Correction	May Suspend	May Recommend Expulsion	Contact Safe Schools
48900(q) Engaged in, or attempted to engage in, hazing. For purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" means a method of initiation or pre-initiation into a pupil organization or body, whether or not the organization or body is officially recognized by an educational institution, which is likely to cause serious bodily injury or personal degradation or disgrace resulting in physical or mental harm to a former, current, or prospective pupil. For purposes of this subdivision, "hazing" does not include athletic events or school-sanctioned events.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional
48900(r) Engaged in an act of bullying, including, but not limited to, bullying committed by means of an electronic act. ** Effective January 2015 – 48900.9 regarding victims - See last page	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional
48900(t) A pupil who aids or abets, as defined in Section 31 of the Penal Code, the infliction or attempted infliction of physical injury to another person may be subject to suspension, but not expulsion, pursuant to this section, except that a pupil who has been adjudged by a juvenile court to have committed, as an aider and abettor, a crime of physical violence in which the victim suffered great bodily injury or serious bodily injury.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional
48900.2 In addition to the reasons specified in Section 48900, a pupil may be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion if the superintendent or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has committed sexual harassment as defined in Section 212.5. For the purpose of this chapter, the conduct described in Section 212.5 must be considered by a reasonable person of the same gender as the victim to be sufficiently severe or pervasive to have a negative impact upon the individual's academic performance or to create an intimidating, hostile, or offensive education environment. This section shall not apply to pupils enrolled in kindergarten and grades 1 to 3, inclusive.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional
48900.3 In addition to the reasons set forth in Sections 48900 and 48900.2, a pupil in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive, may be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion if the superintendent or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has caused, attempted to cause, threatened to cause, or participated in an act of, hate violence, as defined in subdivision (e) of Section 233.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required

48900.4 In addition to the grounds specified in Sections 48900 and 48900.2, a pupil enrolled in any of grades 4 to 12, inclusive, may be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion if the superintendent or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has intentionally engaged in harassment, threats, or intimidation, directed against school district personnel or pupils, that is sufficiently severe or pervasive to have the actual and reasonable expected effect of materially disrupting classwork, creating substantial disorder, and invading the rights of either school personnel or pupils by creating an intimidating or hostile educational environment.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Optional
48900.7 In addition to the reasons specified in Sections 48900, 48900.2, 48900.3, and 48900.4, a pupil may be suspended from school or recommended for expulsion if the superintendent or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines that the pupil has made terroristic threats against school officials or school property, or both.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required
48915(a)(1)(A) Causing serious physical injury to another person, except in self-defense.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required
48915(a)(1)(B) Possession of any knife or other dangerous object of no reasonable use to the pupil.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required

Education Code	Other Means Of Correction	May Suspend	May Recommend Expulsion	Contact Safe Schools
48915(a)(1)(C) Unlawful possession of any controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code, except for either of the following: The first offense for the possession of not more than one avoirdupois ounce of marijuana, other than concentrated cannabis. The possession of over-the-counter medication for use by the pupil for medical purposes or medication prescribed for the pupil by a physician.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required
48915(a)(1)(D) Robbery or extortion.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required
48915(a)(1)(E) Assault or battery, as defined in Sections 240 and 242 of the Penal Code, upon any school employee.	May be considered	Yes	Yes	Required
48915(c)(1) Possessing, selling, or otherwise furnishing a firearm. This subdivision does not apply to an act of possessing a firearm if the pupil had obtained prior written permission to possess the firearm from a certificated school employee, which is concurred in by the principal or the designee of the principal. This subdivision applies to an act of possessing a firearm only if the possession is verified by an employee of a school district. The act of possessing an imitation firearm, as defined in subdivision (m) of Section 48900, is not an offense for which suspension or expulsion is mandatory pursuant to this subdivision and subdivision (d), but it is an offense for which suspension, or expulsion pursuant to subdivision (e), may be imposed.	Not considered	Required	Required	Required
48915(c)(2) Brandishing a knife at another person.	Not considered	Required	Required	Required

48915(c)(3) Unlawfully selling a controlled substance listed in Chapter 2 (commencing with Section 11053) of Division 10 of the Health and Safety Code.	Not considered	Required	Required	Required
48915(c)(4) Committing or attempting to commit a sexual assault as defined in subdivision (n) of Section 48900 or committing a sexual battery as defined in subdivision (n) of Section 48900.	Not considered	Required	Required	Required
48915(c)(5) Possession of an explosive.	Not considered	Required	Required	Required

School District Responsibilities

A pupil shall not be disciplined, suspended, or recommended for expulsion unless the superintendent, a designee or the principal of the school in which the pupil is enrolled determines the pupil has violated one or more parts of the California Education Code. A pupil may be disciplined, suspended or expelled for acts enumerated in the California Education Code that are related to school activity or school attendance occurring at any district school or within any other school district, including, but not limited to, any of the following: while on school grounds; while going to or coming from school; during the lunch period whether on or off campus; during, while going to or coming from a school-sponsored activity.

Student Responsibilities

All pupils shall comply with the regulations, pursue the required course of study, and submit to the authority of the teachers of the schools - California Education Code section 48908.

Parent/Guardian Home Interventions - When Pupil Is Suspended

Please make the home suspension a teachable moment for your student. Consider the following strategies: Request homework and missed assignments for the period of suspension (it may take teachers a day or two to put this work together for you). Make sure the pupil completes any missed assignments. During the suspension, try to make this time as boring as possible so they won't want to be on suspension again. Provide adult supervision on the day(s) of suspension. Limit or restrict access to television, phone, internet, video games, and friends. Help the pupil think of other ways they could have dealt with the situation. Pupils are less likely to get into trouble when they are involved in positive activities. Find something the pupil likes and get them involved (sports, arts, youth groups, drama, etc.). Connect with community resources to help the pupil - see www.211Sacramento.org or ask a school counselor/administrator. The goal of suspension is for the pupil to learn from their mistakes and not repeat them.

**Section 48900.9

The superintendent of a school district or the principal of a school may refer a victim of, witness to, or other pupil affected by, an act of bullying, as defined in paragraph (1) of subdivision (r) of Section 48900, committed on or after January 1, 2015, to the school counselor, psychologist, social worker, child welfare attendance personnel, or other school support service personnel for case management and counseling, as appropriate.

RIO AMERICANO ACCEPTABLE USE POLICY

Rio Americano High School recognizes that technology, including Wi-Fi access, network access, and Internet services, offers a wide variety of opportunities to further educational goals and objectives and therefore provides these services to its staff and students. Access to these vast resources and information is an educational opportunity requiring responsible use by each individual. As such, every Rio Americano user should act in an ethical and legal manner consistent with district goals and objectives and should conform to educationally appropriate use.

Users of Rio Americano technology and network services should remember that the level of confidentiality on district-owned computers may not be the same as that expected when using their own equipment or Internet services. Electronic communications, files and Internet records may be examined for educational and administrative purposes and to verify that acceptable-use guidelines are being followed. E communications include but are not limited to e-mail, text messages, chats, blogs, discussion forums, and instant messaging.

Rio Americano has taken reasonable steps to ensure that technology services and network use is primarily for activities that support district goals and objectives. While the District has deployed Internet content filtering technology in the interest of keeping harmful and inappropriate content from being accessed, Internet content filtering is not a perfect science and it may be possible for users of the Internet to access information that is intended for adults. Likewise, computer security cannot be made perfect and it is possible that a determined user can make use of computer resources

for inappropriate purposes. Rio Americano believes that the benefits of Internet access in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration far exceed any disadvantages. Ultimately, parent(s) and guardian(s) of minors are responsible for setting and conveying the standards that their child or ward should follow. Use of the District technology, network services, and the Internet is a privilege that may be revoked at any time for inappropriate conduct. The use of the Internet, network, and technology services are strictly limited to educational purposes.

RESPONSIBILITY

As a user of the Rio Americano technology services, network and Internet connections, I agree to:

- A. Use my network access in an acceptable manner, follow all district rules and regulations regarding network use, including being polite, using appropriate language, and respecting privacy of others.
- B. Use on-line time and other technology/network resources efficiently and for educational purposes only.
- C. Report any known misuse of technology or network services to the appropriate teacher, administrator, or the District Office.
- D. If I have been issued an individual network account, I will be the sole user of it. I will protect my account by not giving out my password and I will report any suspected misuse to the appropriate teacher or administrator. I will be responsible for all use by this account.
- E. Follow all applicable copyright laws. I understand that inappropriately copying or misusing other people's work may be considered plagiarism. Likewise, any work that I create through the use of the Rio Americano technology services/network is my own property, yet it is subject to all of the guidelines in this policy.
- F. Assist in keeping the Rio Americano network free from virus or other malicious attacks by refraining from opening attachments from unknown sources, downloading and/or installing unauthorized software, and being alert to warnings.

INAPPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY/NETWORK/ON-LINE CONDUCT includes, but is not limited to:

- A. Using technology or network services for illegal activities, including unauthorized installation, use, storage, or distribution of copyrighted software or materials in violation of copyright laws.
 - B. Unauthorized installation or use of any software or hardware not belonging to, or properly licensed by the District (e.g., games, applications, operating systems, "shareware", computer components, and peripherals).
 - C. Accessing, posting, submitting, publishing or displaying harmful or inappropriate matter that is threatening, obscene, disruptive or sexually explicit, or that could be construed as harassment or disparagement of others ("cyber bullying") based on their race/ethnicity, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age, disability, religion or political beliefs.
- California Penal Code Section 313(a).

* Cyber bullying will not be tolerated. Harassing, dissing, flaming, denigrating, impersonating, outing, tricking, excluding, and cyber stalking are all examples of cyber bullying. Don't be mean. Don't send emails or post comments with the intent of scaring, hurting, or intimidating someone else. Don't take or post pictures of any students or staff at Rio Americano without their permission. Engaging in these behaviors, or any other e-activities intended to harm (physically or emotionally) another person, will result in severe disciplinary action and loss of privileges. In some cases, cyber bullying can be a crime. Remember that your activities are monitored and retained.

D. Using technology or network services for private business, commercial enterprise, or for political activities.

E. Use of another individual's name, user account, or password.

F. Allowing another user access to your account, sharing electronic account passwords, leaving passwords available in obvious locations, or leaving "signed on" or "logged on" computers unattended.

G. Disclosure, use, or dissemination of personal identification or "contact information" about oneself or others when using electronic communication. Students are cautioned not to disclose personal information by any means to individuals located through the Internet without the permission of staff members and are urged to discuss on-line privacy issues with their parents or guardian. Personal information includes the student's name, address, telephone number, Social Security number, or other individually identifiable information.

H. Reading or accessing other users' electronic mail or files. (Collaborative efforts will have appropriate and identified locations and/or resources for sharing files and information.)

I. Attempting to interfere with other users' ability to: use technology resources, send or receive electronic mail, deleting, copying, modifying or forging other users' mail or files.

J. Sending or exchanging messages that is inconsistent with school or district policies.

K. Using encryption, encoding, or passwords to deliberately conceal or hide email or files.

L. Distributing electronic media or files in a manner that is likely to cause network congestion or significantly hamper the ability of other people to access and use the system (e.g., downloading extremely large files; sending/distributing mass electronic messages or chain letters; downloading of video and audio files not directly related to district goals; excessive chat or instant message use for non-educational purposes).

M. Intentionally uploading, downloading, or creating computer viruses.

N. Attempting to vandalize, harm, tamper with, intercept, or destroy district equipment, data, or materials including use and/or possession of "hacking" tools.

O. Attempting to bypass, circumvent, or disable: network security, virus protection, or Internet content filtering; not limited to but including use of Internet anonymizers to disguise user/computer origin or content.

P. Manipulating the data of any other user, school, or district resource.

Q. Unauthorized access to servers, computer systems, or network equipment.

R. Use or connection of any personal (non-district) equipment to the Rio Americano network.

* Students who violate the Rio Americano Student Technology Acceptable Agreement, Board policy, misuse technology or network services, or violate state or federal laws may be subject to disciplinary action, loss of access privileges and/or legal action in accordance with law. The District Technology Services Department and site administration reserve the right to delete files or remove access to resources found to display or propagate inappropriate on-line conduct. We support the parent's or guardian's right to authorize or decline network/Internet access for their student.

Adopted: 8/21/2015

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

Graduation Requirements: College Entrance Requirements

The chart on this page is a brief summary of district graduation requirements and entrance requirements for colleges in the University of California (UC) and California State University (CSU) system.

The following websites for UC and CSU will help parents and students learn more about college admission.

- www.calstate.edu
- www.universityofcalifornia.edu

Students meeting the University of California entrance requirements generally will meet requirements of private and out-of-state colleges and universities. Refer to individual college catalogs for specifics.

High school counselors are available to meet with students during the school day as well as before and after school. Students may schedule an appointment in the counseling office.

Each school site has an ROP coordinator who can advise students on enrollment in Career Technical Education (CTE) courses. Students may schedule appointments with their school site ROP coordinator through the counseling office.

	ESTIMATED HOMEWORK TIME: 1½ HOURS PER NIGHT	ESTIMATED HOMEWORK TIME: 2 HOURS PER NIGHT	ESTIMATED HOMEWORK TIME: 3+ HOURS PER NIGHT
Subject	District *	CSU	UC
English	4 years	4 years	4 years
World History	1 year	1 year	1 year
U.S. History	1 year	1 year	1 year or 1 semester + 1 Semester American Government
American Government	1 semester	-----	1 year or 1 semester + 1 semester U.S. History (elective)
Social Science	1 semester	-----	-----
Economics	1 semester	-----	-----
Mathematics	2 years including Algebra 1	3 years	3-4 years
Life Science	1 year	1 year	2-3 years
Physical Science	1 year	1 year	2-3 years
VAPA	1 year or 1 semester + 1 year Foreign Language	1 year	1 year
Foreign Language	See Arts	2 years	2-3 years
Physical Education	2 years	-----	-----
Health	1 semester	-----	-----
Electives	70 credit min.	3 years	2years

RIO and BEYOND

The Rio and Beyond program utilizes parents who assist counselors in meeting with students to check high school graduation requirements and provide college and career guidance. One-on-one interview sessions are done with sophomores (and seniors, by request) in the fall, with the cooperation of the English classes. Rio and Beyond also arranges SAT practice testing, College Night, financial aid seminars, scholarship files, and help with college application essays. Information about this program is available at 971-7502.

Visiting college representatives also make their presentations at the Counseling Office. A list of colleges and upcoming visitation dates is posted in the Counseling Office. Announcements are also made in the daily student news bulletin.

To receive a high school diploma, students must:

- Pass all courses required for graduation, and
- Earn a minimum of 220 course credits.

In accordance with SJUSD policy;

ON-LINE HIGH SCHOOL COURSES (offered through outside organizations/colleges) are approved for the following reasons:

1. Need to recover a failed course,
2. Need to improve a grade, or
3. Need to take an additional course outside of the school day.

***Prior principal approval** is required for a student to take an on-line class.

COLLEGE COURSES ***Prior principal approval** is required for a student to take an on-line class.

* Approval will be granted and high school credit awarded only for classes not offered at the high school, and only when the student has exhausted the available high school curriculum in a subject area.

Eligibility for Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Valedictorian: To qualify for Valedictorian, students must have all A's for all four years of high school. The student with the highest weighted grade point average in the class also qualifies for this honor. *

Salutatorian: To qualify for Salutatorian, students must earn all A's and only one B for all four years of high school or have the second highest weighted grade point average in the class. *

*Students receiving two or more breach of integrities will not be considered for this honor.

Financial Office

Purchases made through the Financial Office include student body cards, yearbooks, dance bids, dance pictures and P.E. clothes. A student ID card is required for all purchases made through the Financial Office. Office hours are 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Special Outside Purchases

Some purchases such as class rings, letterman's jackets, graduation announcements and caps and gowns are made directly through the supplier, who visits campus on a regular basis.

Student Health

Parents and students should be aware that there is no nurse or health assistant on Rio's campus. An Emergency Care Information Sheet is required to be on file each school year. **It is imperative that the emergency care information sheet has a minimum of three emergency numbers and include cell phone numbers, if available. They must be kept current.** Please notify the Registrar's Office, located in the Counseling office, if there is a change in any of the information on the cards.

Students who are feeling ill should report to the Attendance Office to arrange to go home. Rio staff will notify the parent/ guardian and request that the student be issued an **early dismissal** and taken home. There are no facilities on campus for sick students.

Unless otherwise noted on the student's emergency care information sheet, in the case of a life threatening emergency, staff will call 911 before notifying parents. The student and family must be prepared to take financial responsibility in that event. In a non-life-threatening emergency, staff will make every effort to contact parents.

Prescription medication and "over-the-counter" medicines (i.e. aspirin, Ibuprofen, etc.) can only be administered at school with the "Parent/Physician Release for Medication in School" form properly filled out by a physician and on file in the Administration Office with the principal's secretary. All medication, prescription and over the counter, must be left with the

Principal's Secretary and cannot remain in the student's possession. The medication release form can be found on the San Juan Public Web Site at www.sanjuan.edu. Please choose Forms and Docs, Health Services, General Forms, Parent/Physician Release for Administration of Medication at School.

Parents of students with chronic/critical health should contact the District Health Services Office (971-7643). **Prior to the start of school please make the principal's secretary aware of any conditions which might need special monitoring.**

Library

The Rio Library provides students an additional place to learn. The library has an excellent reference section, classical and contemporary fiction, and up-to-date non-fiction material, along with a computer lab utilizing technology for computer-assisted research.

The Rio library facilities are available for student and class use throughout the school day. While in the library, students are expected to be considerate of others by being quiet. **Students are required to have an ID card before material can be checked out at which time all items become the responsibility of the student and parents/guardians.** Books circulate for three-week periods and may be renewed as needed.

Lockers

As a convenience for students lockers are available to use for the school year. Lockers must be registered in the attendance office at the beginning of the school year and may not be shared. Students can register their lockers at schedule pick up in August or in the attendance office once school has begun. **Lockers are school property and can be searched at any time.**

The school is not responsible for books or private property left in lockers. All books and valuables should be taken out at night and on weekends.

Please note: Any lock attached to a locker which is either not registered or registered to someone else will be cut off. Inside or outside of lockers are not to be decorated with anything. Students will be held liable for the cost to remove and/or clean lockers that have been decorated.

Lost & Found

Items found on school premises should be turned into the administration office. Lost articles may be claimed with proper identification. Lost textbooks are returned to the textbook office. Students are then credited for the returned textbook.

Textbooks

Students pick up and return primary textbooks to the textbook room located at the back of the cafeteria building area. **Students must have a valid ID card to check out text books.** ID that is acceptable to checkout a book is a current student ID or a previous year's student ID. If a student does not have either of these, they can buy another student ID card at the Financial Office for \$5 or obtain a one-time note from their vice principal.

All thefts or vandalism of textbooks or other belongings should be immediately reported to the vice principal's office. **The school is not responsible for book theft or damage.** Students should not leave books in lockers overnight or share the lock combination or leave belongings unattended, even for brief periods of time.

Tutoring

Tutoring is available free of charge. **Tutoring services for most core classes are held Monday through Wednesday from 3:00 – 4:00 pm based on the monthly tutoring schedule posted on campus and the Rio webpage,** once the program is established for the school year.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES/STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Students are urged to participate in the various extracurricular activities. It is satisfying and enriching to serve as a student body class officer or as a member/officer of one or more of the clubs or organizations available on campus. All students must have a 2.0 grade point average with no F's to participate in student government.

STUDENT I.D. & STUDENT BODY CARD

Every student will receive a photo identification card free of charge which must be carried at all times while on campus. The opportunity to take the free ID photo is given at schedule pick-up in August. With school dances and football games starting almost immediately, it is important to obtain a school ID early in the year. Students who are active in school activities, such as dances and/or sporting events, are also encouraged to purchase an (ASB) Student Body Discount from the financial office for \$80.00 to be affixed to their student ID card. The benefit of purchasing a this discount is to obtain reduced prices for dances, plays and free admission to all home sporting events, excluding playoff games. The money raised from the sale of student body activity tickets is the backbone of the student body budget which subsidized numerous extracurricular activities and events.

STUDENT BODY OFFICERS - 2018/2019

President	Whitney Wheeler
Vice President	Ava Sazaki
Treasurer	Matthew Hom
Secretary	Carly Kissinger
Social Commissioners	Demetri Dogias and Jake Harouni

The term for Student Body Officers is for the duration of the school year. The Student Body Officers and five elected officers from each of the four classes participate in a regularly scheduled student government class and receive a grade and credit for the class. Student Body and Class Officers are elected each spring for the following school year. The incoming Freshman Class Officers are elected at the beginning of the new fall semester.

CLASS OFFICERS - 2018/2019

SENIOR CLASS OF 2019

President	Claire Chally
Vice President	Kendall Winston
Treasurer	David Beilby
Secretary	Cole Ramazzini
Publicity	Marcus Takomoto

JUNIOR CLASS OF 2020

President	Emma Davis
Vice President	Sami Sebastian
Treasurer	Fiona Burdick
Secretary	Alyssa Escay
Publicity	Stella Chamness

SOPHOMORE CLASS 2021

President	Joe Fahn
Vice President	Sal Gardea
Treasurer	Tessa Loofbourrow
Secretary	Arden Jasper
Publicity	Mari Zimmerman

FRESHMAN CLASS 2022

To be elected shortly after school begins

RIO AMERICANO DANCES

Rio Americano dances are important social events for students. The school must maintain a reasonable standard of appropriate behavior and dance movements. Students must recognize that movements and dance styles present in non-school settings or portrayed in the entertainment industry are not always appropriate in the high school setting. Therefore, the following guidelines will be used to determine appropriate behavior and dance movements.

All Rio Americano High School rules will be enforced at school dances.

RIO AMERICANO DANCE RULES (CURRENT SCHOOL I.D. REQUIRED AT ALL DANCES)

1. **No tickets will be sold at the door. All tickets must be purchased by 3:30 P.M. on the last Thursday prior to the dance.** Current student ID is required to purchase dance tickets. Tickets are sold in the Financial Office before and after school, during break and lunch. All tickets must be purchased in advance. **Students will not be admitted without a receipt.** Replacement ID's have a 24 hour turnaround time. No replacement student photo ID's will be made the last day of ticket sales.
2. NO Refunds will be given.
3. **Admission into the dance will be allowed during the first hour only.** Special circumstances resulting from school sanctioned events must be brought to an administrator's attention at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the dance.
4. Rio Americano dances are for Rio Americano students and their pre-registered guests only. **Guest passes must be submitted to the Vice Principal's Office by school closing on the Wednesday prior to the dance.** Only one (1) guest or date may be invited and registered per student. A guest or date must arrive with the student who invited and registered him/her. **Guests must adhere to all rules. No guests over the age of 20 or enrolled in middle school will be approved.**
5. **Students AND guests must show current picture identification to be admitted.**
6. Tobacco, drugs, and alcohol, will not be allowed at the dance or on school property.
7. Students who are in possession of drugs or alcohol or who are intoxicated at the dance will have the following consequences imposed:
 - 5-day suspension and possible expulsion referral
 - Referral to law enforcement.
 - 4-week period of social probation during which time the student will not be allowed to participate in any extracurricular activity, including athletics.
8. **No "slamming", "moshing", "break dancing" or front to back dancing will be permitted. Front to Front dancing that is sexually suggestive (groping, freaking, dirty dancing, etc.), lewd or obscene will not be tolerated:**
 - a. No hands on the ground
 - b. No bending over
 - c. No straddling or leg-wrapping
 - d. No break dancing or dance-offs
 - e. No touching other people's private parts
 - f. Must maintain dance dress code thought the dance

Students who engage in such dancing will be removed and will lose dance attendance privileges. If large groups engage in such activities, it may be necessary to stop the music and end the dance. We want to maintain a safe atmosphere conducive to everyone's enjoyment. The school administration and staff chaperones will use their best judgment to identify dance moves or styles that are contrary to the dance rules.

9. Students may leave the dance at any time. However, once a student leaves the dance, he or she must leave campus and may not return to the dance.
10. Loitering in the parking lot or around the campus will not be permitted. Students and guests must leave immediately after the conclusion of the dance.

DRESS CODE

- **For semi-formal dances (Homecoming Dance and GALA):** School dress code is enforced at the dance with the following exceptions: Spaghetti straps, strapless dresses, and backless clothing (halters) may be worn, but may not expose midriff or undergarments. Long pants and collared shirts and ties are required for gentlemen. All attire will be subject to the approval of the administration at the door, and all judgments will be final.
- **For formal dances (Junior Prom and Senior Ball):** School dress code is enforced at the dance with the following exceptions: Spaghetti straps, strapless dresses, and backless clothing (halters) may be worn, but may not expose midriff or undergarments. Dress pants and collared shirts, ties, and jackets are required for gentlemen. All attire will be subject to the approval of the administration at the door, and all judgments will be final.
- **For casual dances (Back to School):** School dress code is enforced at the dance with the following exceptions: Spaghetti straps and backless clothing (halters) may be worn, but may not expose midriff or undergarments.
- **Dance photos:** Dance photos showing students engaged in inappropriate conduct (e.g., sexually suggestive poses or dress, crude, profane or gang related behavior) will not be permitted or distributed. Students must have both feet on the ground for all dance photos. Students will be subject to disciplinary actions.

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

Club activities are an integral part of the total educational program. Coordination of club activities is a function of the student government. New clubs may be organized when ten or more students indicate an interest in forming a purposeful organization have obtained a faculty advisor and constructed a constitution. All clubs must be chartered through Student Government. Students are encouraged to become involved with clubs which will supplement their academic program.

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

Athletics at Rio Americano are an integral part of a well-rounded educational experience. We feel that our athletic offerings are diverse enough to meet the needs of every student on campus.

Rio's sports program includes the following:

Fall Sports

Cross Country (co-ed)
Football
Women's Golf
Women's Tennis
Women's Volleyball
Men's Water Polo
Women's Water Polo

Winter Sports

Men's VAR Basketball
Women's VAR Basketball
Wrestling
Men's VAR Soccer
Women's VAR Soccer

Spring Sports

Baseball
Men's Golf
Softball
Men's and Women's Swimming
Dive
Men's Tennis
Track & Field (co-ed)
Men's Volleyball
Women's Lacrosse

ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

District Governing Board of the California Interscholastic Federation (C.I.F.) shall have general control of and be responsible for all aspects of interscholastic athletics. They shall assure that all inter-scholastic policies, programs and activities are in compliance with state and federal law. Rio Americano adheres to a strict eligibility policy about and beyond the guidelines provided by CIF and San Juan Unified School District AR 6145. Our local league is the CAL League.

General eligibility requirements:

1. Each perspective athletic must complete an athletic clearance packet on-line at www.athleticclearance.com.

2. Have a medical doctor's signature on the sports physical examination form (this form can be obtained through the athletic office at Rio).
3. Have parent's signature granting approval for participation in the sport.
4. Have at least \$1,500.00 medical coverage which may be parent's private insurance or student accident insurance policy available through school (except for tackle football).
5. Steroid and substance abuse form must be signed by the student athlete and the parent/guardian with the intent to attend the steroid abuse forum.
6. An athlete cannot be absent the day of the game unless it meets the criteria of a district approved absence.
7. An athlete cannot participate on a school team and an outside team in the same sport at the same time.
8. Students who use or are in possession of alcohol or drugs on campus or at school-authorized functions will be penalized in accordance with the Rio Americano High School discipline and athletic policies. Students violating this policy will be subject to:
 - a. a 5-day suspension.
 - b. a six week period of social probation during which time the student will not be allowed to participate in any extracurricular activity, including athletics.

Academic Eligibility

In order to encourage academic excellence, all students participating in athletic activities shall demonstrate satisfactory educational progress by undertaking the prescribed course of study and meeting the standards of proficiency established by the district.

Academic eligibility requirements will be determined at interim progress and semesters.

Secondary Grades Eligibility Standards

Eligibility for athletic activities in the high schools of the San Juan Unified School District will be determined by the standards below.

1. In order to be eligible for participation without restrictions, the student shall have earned an overall minimum 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 grading scale during the preceding grading period in both scholarship and citizenship.
 - a. When grades are issued, a pass counts as a "C" and has a value of two points when determining the grade point average.
 - b. According to CIF rule 205 B (4), incomplete grades that are issued shall be counted as an F grade when computing the student's GPA, until such time that the student has made up the grade and the teacher has sent that grade to the registrar and it has been verified.
2. To participate without restrictions, a student may not have more than one F in a grading period/progress report. For example, students on a traditional schedule must pass 5 of 6 or 6 of 7 classes during the preceding grading period/progress report. If they enroll in only 5 classes they must pass all 5 of them. Students on a block schedule must pass 3 of 4 or 4 of 5 classes during the preceding grading period. If they enroll in only 3 classes they must pass all 3 of them.
3. Athletic eligibility will be based on district printed grades which are issued after the completion of the grading period/progress report. There is a one week "window" period in which grades are reported to the district, printed, and then returned to the schools. During this "window" period, only previously eligible athletes may continue to compete. All athletic eligibility actions become effective on the 2nd Monday after the end of the grading period/progress report.
4. Each high school must have athletic probation. Each high school may have a more stringent policy provided it is board approved. These standards must be printed and distributed to students and parents/guardians.
5. Students transferring from outside the district shall have their transcript evaluated by the Athletic Director to determine initial academic athletic eligibility.

6. Grades that are issued at the end of the grading period are final. No grades may be changed without the approval of the Principal or his/her designee.

7. Restricted Athletic Eligibility – CIF rule 205(a) allows school districts the opportunity to provide the option of Athletic Probation.

Athletic Probation

Students who do not meet the criteria listed above may be placed on probation. Probation is defined as being allowed to practice and compete while attending a school approved intervention program. Probation may be granted only if the student has met one of the two academic eligibility requirements provided they meet CIF criteria for minimum credits when they are issued. This requires that students on a block schedule earn 15 credits in the previous semester and students on a traditional schedule earn 20 credits in the previous semester. (CIF 205b). If the student is below both standards, he/she will not be granted probation. The purpose of probation is to allow the student an opportunity to remediate his/her academic deficiencies. School personnel will support the student in his/her effort to improve. A student may be granted one period of probation during each academic year. The duration of probation shall be until the next grading period. If the student meets the aforementioned standards of athletic eligibility, he/she may continue playing if he/she were on probation. If a student was athletically ineligible, they could begin to play provided they meet the athletic eligibility standards. If the student does not meet the athletic eligibility standards he/she would be ineligible to participate in school athletic events until the next regularly scheduled grading period, at which time their grades would be re-evaluated.

1. Athletic Ineligibility is defined as; an athlete may not play in any athletic contest (including scrimmages) against another school, but may practice with the team provided they continue in the school approved intervention program.

2. Students may reestablish athletic eligibility by attending summer school and successfully completing their course work. Students may not obtain more than 10 credits during summer school to be eligible for fall sports. In selecting summer school course work, the student must repeat the same course(s) in which grades from the preceding grading period caused them to be ineligible. In the event the identical course(s) are not available, other course work with the same or higher level of difficulty may be substituted. All substitutions must have the approval of the student's home school site administrator or his/her designee.

a. Summer school courses failed shall not impair an athlete's scholastic eligibility achieved in the semester immediately preceding. (CIF 205c).

ALMA MATER

To Rio High
our dreams and hope we bring
and through the years
we'll help her praises ring
so as each one goes forth to spread her fame
we shall be loyal
and proudly wear her name.

Our voices blend
to raise her victory song
our pledge shall be
all forever join our loyalty to show
all hail to Rio Americano

FIGHT SONG

Go Rio Raiders
battle the foe for green and gold
ready to meet all invaders
with our heads held high we will hear the victory cry
and when the battle is over
and on high you'll hear our name
you will know the Rio Raiders
have won another game