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## RIVER EAST COLLEGIATE 2009-2010 School Profile

### Mission Statement

“River East Collegiate challenges individuals to explore and grow within changing environments by developing academic skills and by encouraging the development of personal and social values, leading to achievement at the highest possible levels.”

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### Our School

River East Collegiate was built in 1960 and is a secondary school in the River East Transcona School Division that offers classes for students in Grade 10 through Grade 12.

River East Collegiate is located in an urban area serving the community of North Kildonan, East St. Paul and St. Clements. The student body and community are highly involved in all aspects of the school supporting a strong academic focus and an extensive co curricular and extra curricular program.

For the 2009-2010 school year we have 1128 students registered and a professional staff of 68 teachers and 3 administrators.

### Programs

*Students from River East Collegiate can pick from 6 streams of study.*

#### REGULAR ACADEMIC

The academic program at River East Collegiate provides a strong foundation for students, whether they choose to go on to university, community college, or directly to the work place after graduation.

From among the core subjects of English, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies students may choose a program of studies appropriate to their abilities, interests and post graduation plans.

To complete their requirements for high school graduation students at River East Collegiate have a variety of electives to choose from. Some electives include: Art, Biology, Calculus, Chemistry, Computer Science, Dramatic Arts, Family Studies, French, Geography, German, History, Human Ecology, Industrial Technology, Music, Physical Education, Physical Science, Physics, Psychology, Skills for Independent Living and Spanish plus electives from Technology Education.

#### TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

Technology Education offers students an opportunity to graduate with a Business Education Technology Diploma or a Software Technology Diploma. Students have the opportunity to develop computer skills in courses designed to provide access to students at any level of computer awareness.



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### DUAL DIPLOMA

Students have the opportunity to graduate with a regular high school academic diploma that meets university entrance requirements plus a Business Education Technology Diploma or a Software Technology Diploma.

### ADVANCED PLACEMENT

This program is intended for gifted and highly motivated students. The course curriculum in grade 10 and grade 11 is accelerated to prepare students for the Advanced Placement coursework and examination in grade 12. Successful completion of these examinations permits a student to obtain Advanced Placement and often credit in their selected subject area at many colleges and universities in North America and around the world. Advanced Placement courses offered are: Biology, Calculus AB, Chemistry, Computer Science, English Literature and Composition, European History, French Language, French Literature, German, Physics, Spanish.

### CAREER INTERNSHIP PROGRAM (CIP)

CIP is a school to work transition program open to grade 12 students. Students complete their academic programs in April and then intern with a business partner until the end of June. A successful internship could lead to employment and/or entrance into university or community college.

### MODERN LANGUAGES

**Advanced Languages and Management Diploma** – Students must complete standing in at least two languages other than English at the grade 12 level and register for Management 40S or World Issues 40S. Students will also complete an internship with a business partner in a location where the language of study is spoken.

**English-German Bilingual Program** – This program is a continuation of the divisional program offered in elementary and junior high. To enhance their fluency students take Social Studies in German.

**French** – French courses are designed to meet the needs of both Basic French and French Immersion students. Students may pick from the basic French courses or Advanced Placement options.

**Spanish** – Courses are offered at the beginner and advanced levels. This program is designed for students who have not previously studied Spanish.

### INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

River East Collegiate recognizes itself as a learning community in a global context, connected to other learning communities around the world. Partner schools in Canada, Europe, Central America and Asia collaborate with River East Collegiate in various ways, including student/student exchanges, e-mail and Internet projects and the sharing of educational materials.

We also have an International Student program welcoming students from Brazil, Korea, Germany, Slovakia and Mexico to study at River East Collegiate and live in our community. Participation in the International Student Program further supports our global learning initiatives.

River East Collegiate is also working with the Canadian Commission for UNESCO in Ottawa to establish a Canadian UNESCO schools network, linking it with 5600 schools in over 150 countries. The Associated School Network project will provide our students with the opportunity to develop partnerships with students around the world as they focus on becoming global citizens.

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## Student Assessment

River East Collegiate practices fair and balanced assessment. Reporting to students and parents occurs three times each semester and student/parent/teacher conferences are held in conjunction with the first report each semester. Students in grade 12 write Provincial standards tests in English Language Arts and Mathematics in January and/or June. Exams are administered in the subject areas at the end of each semester and constitute approximately 30% of the final grade.



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## The School as a Safe and Secure Place

Learning is best supported in a safe and secure environment. At River East Collegiate, all members of our learning community strive to maintain an environment conducive to student development. The students are made aware of the school division's Code of Conduct through teacher advisors and the administration. The Code of Conduct is also outlined in the student agenda book.

## School Plan

The school planning process at River East Collegiate consists of department review of goals and objectives and assessment of the plan in the spring of each year. The department uses this information to begin the planning process for the following year. Department Heads coordinate the development of the plan for their departments and individual specialty teachers (music, art, drama, automotive, home economics) develop individual plans for their subject areas. Administration works with the department heads and specialty teachers to identify school priorities within the divisional and provincial priorities.

This school year 2009-2010 our school priorities are:

1. Assessment of/and For Learning
2. Positive School Wide Behaviour Strategies
3. Technology for Today's Teaching
4. UNESCO

## Our Students

### STUDENT COUNCIL

The aims of the Student Council are to develop leadership skills and responsibility, to promote school spirit, to promote notions of democracy and justice, to improve communication within the school, and to provide a structure which promotes consultation and co-operation amongst student committee members, staff and students. In the spring, a president and vice-president are elected along with 2 representatives from each of the new grade 11 and 12 classes. In the fall, 2 representatives from the incoming grade 10 class are elected.

#### *Student activities include:*

#### I. CREATIVE ACHIEVEMENTS (Music, Drama, Art)

- ♦ Art Show
- ♦ Drama Productions
- ♦ Vocal Jazz
- ♦ Choir
- ♦ Solo/Small Ensemble
- ♦ Wind Ensemble
- ♦ Concert Band
- ♦ Stage Band

#### II. SCHOOL CLUBS / ACTIVITIES

- ♦ Interschool Christian Fellowship
- ♦ UNICEF
- ♦ Yearbook
- ♦ Key Club
- ♦ REC Book Club
- ♦ Young Authors Club
- ♦ UNESCO
- ♦ Student Council

#### III. ATHLETICS

- ♦ Badminton
- ♦ Cheerleading
- ♦ Football
- ♦ Indoor Track
- ♦ Outdoor Track
- ♦ Volleyball
- ♦ Basketball
- ♦ Cross-Country
- ♦ Golf
- ♦ Interschool Curling
- ♦ Skiing
- ♦ Beach Volleyball
- ♦ Field Hockey
- ♦ Hockey
- ♦ Intramurals
- ♦ Soccer



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### Parents in the School

#### NEWSLETTER

A newsletter containing a calendar, announcements regarding events, references to policy, and news teachers or administrators if they have any concerns.

#### PARENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

The River East Collegiate Parent Council support, advise and promote the goals and objectives of River East towards the betterment of the students and the community. The Parent Advisory Council meets once a month. All parents are welcome.

#### MUSIC PARENTS

It is the purpose of the River East Collegiate Musical Arts Parents Association (R.E.C.M.A.P.A.) to promote, encourage and support undertakings of interest and benefit to the musical arts programs of River East Collegiate and to encourage support from the community for these undertakings within the framework of the music program at River East Collegiate. Membership of R.E.C.M.A.P.A. shall not be limited. Anyone interested in the music programs at River East Collegiate is eligible for membership. Parents and/or guardians of students in the River East Collegiate music programs are to be considered active members.

#### GRAD PARENTS

The grad dinner and dance is organized by a grad parent committee. An initial planning meeting of all grade 12 parents is held in November at which time parents can sign up for a committee of their interest. Staff at River East Collegiate act as advisors. Parental involvement is not only appreciated but also necessary for grad to continue to be a safe and memorable event.

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