



RIVIERA HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Re: Reopening For REB S3, S5, S6, the Cambridge - Years 11 and 13 and BTEC 3 Candidates on 2nd November 2020

I believe all is well with you and the young ones. In one of our earlier communiques, we did mention that we would wait for guidance from the Ministry of Education in relation to the reopening of the National (REB) schools. The ministry has now given a calendar, which I believe you have all seen or heard about. It is a phased reopening, starting with S3, S5 and S6 reporting on **2nd November 2020** followed by S1, S2 and S4 reporting on **23rd November 2020**.

Our letter of 8th October specified that we would maintain the Cambridge learners on the online learning platform to enable us meet the envisaged Covid-19 protocols given by the Ministry of Education. Even then many of you have expressed the wish to have the Cambridge and BTEC learners come to campus as well. This may not be immediately possible for all the Cambridge and BTEC classes, given the Covid-19 conditionalities. But after carefully studying the calendar given by the ministry, it is clear that it is partly intended to prioritize the candidate classes. In that regard it is only logical to include our other candidate classes in the international programs i.e. Years 11 and 13 and BTEC 3 (in-coming) candidates, to report back to school on **2nd November 2020**, alongside their REB counterparts. This has many advantages. Besides the face-to-face interaction with teachers, the candidates will also acquaint themselves with the practicals aspect of the examinations. Please pay attention to the following details;

1. **Reopening on 2nd November 2020** – Classes reporting are S3, S5, S6 for the REB program and Years 11 and 13 and BTEC 3 (in-coming) for the international programs. **Please note that each student must report with a minimum set of five masks that meet prescribed Ministry of Health standards.**
2. **Closing Date for Cambridge and BTEC Learners** – Their Term One ends on 11th December 2020, on which date they will go home and then report back to school on 6th January 2021 for Term Two.
3. **Fees Guidelines** – For the REB learners, the fees remain as per our official school fees schedule although the term is unusually long. We intend to refresh you by sending individual learner invoices not later than Monday 26th October 2020. **Please note that all fees must be paid in full before reporting back to school.** By this we also remind you that the deadline for fees payment for all Cambridge and BTEC learners is 30th October 2020. We hate to inconvenience you but all learners with outstanding balances after the deadline date will be disconnected from the online platform. The learners in Years 11, 13 and BTEC 3 (in-coming) will pay a modest top-up of Rwf 196,000. This must be paid before reporting to school on 2nd November 2020.

Otherwise we, teachers and the administration, are back on campus and ready to receive the learners on 2nd November 2020. I would like, on behalf of the Directors and the entire Riviera community, to express our gratitude to the Rwandan authorities for their support especially in these times of the Covid-19 pandemic. Feel free to contact my office or any other relevant office for assistance should there be need.

Yours Faithfully,

Boniface Onyango
Principal.