

*“Between living and dreaming is a third thing. Guess it.”*  
**David Carradine**

# Grey Matters

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Over the past two weeks, in addition to their multiple responsibilities, our students have been focused on MCAS testing. As always, our 7th and 8th graders did a wonderful job demonstrating their knowledge on the English/Language Arts (ELA) Reading Comprehension test for 7th and 8th graders, as did the 7th grade students on the ELA Composition test. Well prepared and attentive, students tackled this challenge with the zeal and excellence they have always demonstrated.

While the spring weather has been the typical rollercoaster ride, many of our students have summer on their minds. Boots and coats have been replaced by flip-flops and shorts. Accordingly, I need to ask for parental/guardian assistance. RJG expects that all students dress appropriately for school each and every day. As is stated in the *Handbook for Families of R.J. Grey Students*, “even though shorts and T-shirts are acceptable, clothing which exposes midriffs, as well as visible lingerie and boxer shorts should not be worn to school.” As we work to maintain appropriate decorum at school, your support is greatly appreciated!

Finally, we are gearing up for the 8th– 9th grade transition activities. On March 20, representatives from the high school came to RJG to meet with 8th grade students during homeroom to talk about the scheduling process. At that time, 8th grade students received the ABRHS Program of Studies and began thinking about their course selections for the 2008-2009 school year. Last week, please be aware that 8th graders received and actually completed the formal high school registration form which included their teacher’s recommendations. These registration forms have been submitted to the high school and will be entered into the computer this week.

While you will receive a registration confirmation from the high school soon, we are also sending you a copy of the original registration form completed by your child. We hope this information will help you think about high school elective offerings and course levels, as well as to ensure that all information is accurate.

Once you receive the official registration confirmation document from the high school, your son/daughter will have the opportunity to drop/add elective courses or override/underoverride course levels. Please feel free to contact the high school counseling office or your child's counselor at the junior high school with any further questions about this process

Have a wonderful week.

