



# The Rodman Report

Latest News and Bulletin Updates  
Issue # 1, August 2022

Rodman Rockstars



WELCOME.  
*Back to School*



**Principal:**  
Amy Huston

**"A NEW  
SCHOOL YEAR  
MEANS NEW  
BEGINNINGS,  
NEW  
ADVENTURES...  
AND NEW  
CHALLENGES."**

- Denise Witmer  
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**Student School Day:  
8:15 am-2:30pm  
Monday-Friday**

## Welcome Message:

I would like to extend a warm welcome to the Rodman school community and introduce myself. My name is Amy Huston and I am excited to serve as Principal at Thomas R. Rodman Elementary. This is my 28th year working in the New Bedford Public Schools and I have been Assistant Principal for over 10 years.

It is an honor to have this opportunity to work with the staff, students, and families in the Rodman School community! Many staff members have been in this summer to get ready for our students and to welcome me to the building. We have a staff that is dedicated to working collaboratively with students and families to build a safe, supportive, and challenging educational experience for all students. Students' unique talents and social emotional well-being are valued and our goal is to inspire students' curiosity and love for learning.

We will be planning family events to build relationships as a school community. Monthly newsletters will be coming home with reminders, events, and other updates. The website and Facebook will also be a resource for important news.

The first day of school is quickly approaching – Thursday, September 1st for Grades 1-5 and Tuesday, September 6th for Kindergarten. Please take the time to read this newsletter as it contains with important information. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Attached to this newsletter is a form entitled "How is your child getting home?" It is very important that this form is completed and returned on the first day of school to your child's teacher. This will inform teachers how children are getting home from school on the first day: parent pick up, private daycare bus, walker, etc. Also attached is your student(s) homeroom and teacher assignment for the year. Great care goes into creating class lists. Please note that requests to change students' teachers will not be honored.

The Rodman staff is excited to be a part of your students' lives. We believe school should be a welcoming and positive environment for students and families. Please contact the school with and questions or concerns.

**Warmest Regards,**

**Amy Huston and the Rodman Staff**

# Rodman Family Welcome Meet and Greet

**When:** Tuesday, August 30th  
**Time:** 2:45pm-4:00pm  
**Where:** Rodman Back Playground



The Rodman Staff is pleased to invite all our Rodman families to our Welcome Event and Rainbow Ice Cream will be providing the treats! The event will be held outside in the back playground fenced in area located on North Street. Families can bring chairs to sit on while socializing and enjoying ice cream. All children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult. This event is free for our families. We hope to see you there!



## Breakfast & Lunch

Breakfast and lunch is served free of charge to all students. Each morning, students will eat breakfast in their classrooms before transitioning into their academic school day. Breakfast lasts approximately 15 minutes. ***Due to food allergies, students are not allowed to bring in their own breakfast, including Dunkin' Donuts. Your anticipated cooperation is greatly appreciated.*** In addition to breakfast, students will also enjoy a well-balanced lunch. Lunchtime is 30 minutes. Students are allowed to bring lunch from home. Please be reminded that soda and glass bottles are **NOT** allowed in school. Breakfast and lunch menus can be found on the district website under Food and Nutrition Service Department.



## Forms, Forms, Forms

During the first week of school, students will bring home many forms that need to be completed by families. Please complete and return these forms as soon as possible. Please pay particular attention to the Student Emergency Contact Form. Review, update the contact information provided including emergency contacts, and sign and return the form. Students will **NOT** be dismissed to individuals not listed on the contact form. Please note, by listing a person on the contact form (including father and mother), you are giving permission for that person to dismiss your child unless otherwise noted. Please notify the school office of any current protective orders (209As). Thank you for your anticipated cooperation!



## Rodman Important Dates/Save the Dates

**Tuesday, August 30th: Welcome Back Ice Cream Truck Event (2:45 pm-4:00 pm)**

**Thursday, September 1st:** Students in grades 1-5 start school

**Friday, September 2nd:** Kindergarten Orientation @ 10:00am

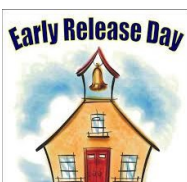
**Monday, September 5th:** No School Labor Day

**Tuesday, September 6th:** Students in Kindergarten start school

**Open House:** Thursday, September 19th @ 5:00pm-6:30pm

### Early Release Dates:

Please see the following schedule of early release days for students. Lunch will be served and students will be dismissed at 11:00 am. Half days are scheduled for teacher professional development trainings and before some holiday breaks. Please plan child care accordingly.



Wednesday, September 28

Wednesday, November 16

Wednesday, November 23

Wednesday, December 7

Thursday, December 22

Wednesday, February 8

Wednesday, March 22

Wednesday, May 24



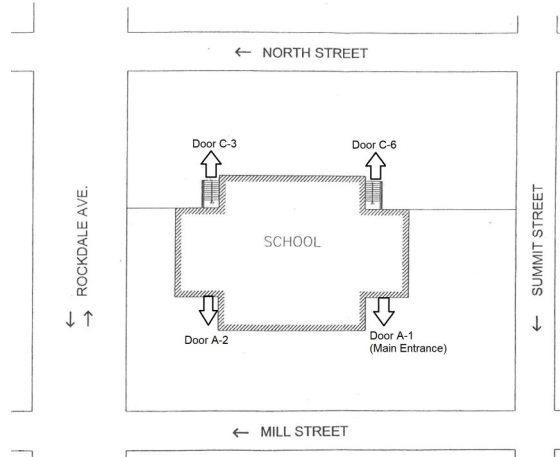
**Arrival &  
Dismissal**

# Arrival and Dismissal

**Arrival:** Student arrival time is 8:15 at the designated locations below. **Students are not allowed to enter the school building prior to 8:15 please DO NOT drop students off before 8:15 as there is NO supervision on the playground.** At 8:15, teachers will line their classes up and bring them into the building. Students who arrive late must report to the main office to be marked tardy prior to heading to class.

**\*\*For the safety of students, please note that families are not allowed in the building during arrival through the arrival locations. If families needing to speak with administration or the office, please enter through the main office located**

Grade	Student Arrival Location (8:15)
Kindergarten-Grade 2	Dismissed through door "C-3" (North St. nearest Rockdale Ave. side of building)
Grades 3-5	Enter through door "C-6" (North St. nearest the Summit St. side of the building).



**Dismissal:**

All students are expected to be picked up on time at the designated dismissal locations as there is no after school supervision. For the safety of students, siblings cannot be dismissed from the same door unless they are in the same grade. Families of students that are repeatedly picked up late will be required to meet with administration to resolve the issue. Your anticipated cooperation is greatly appreciated. **PLEASE NOTE: Students cannot be dismissed from the office after 2:15 as dismissal is underway as students are not in their classrooms and are in the process of heading to designated dismissal locations.**

Grade	Student Dismissal Locations
Bus Students	Dismissed through door "A-2" (Mill St. Nearest Rockdale side of the building)
Grades K-2 parent pick-up	Dismissed through door "C-3" (North St. nearest Rockdale Ave. side of building) starting at 2:20
Grades 2-5 parent pick-up	Dismissed through door "C-6" (North St. nearest Summit St. side of the building) starting at 2:25



# O Boletim da Escola Rodman

## Boletim de Últimas Notícias e Atualizações

Edição nº 1, agosto de 2022

### Mensagem de boas-vindas:

Gostaria de dar as boas-vindas à comunidade escolar da Rodman e apresentar-me. O meu nome é Amy Huston e estou muito entusiasmada por ser a diretora da Escola Primária Thomas R. Rodman. Este é o meu 28º ano a trabalhar nas Escolas Públicas de New Bedford e tendo sido vice-diretora há mais de 10 anos.

É uma honra ter esta oportunidade de trabalhar com o pessoal, alunos e famílias da comunidade da Escola Rodman! Muitos funcionários trabalharam este verão para se prepararem para os nossos alunos e para me darem as boas-vindas ao edifício. Dispomos de uma equipa dedicada que trabalha em colaboração com os alunos e famílias para desenvolver uma experiência educativa segura, solidária e desafiante para todos os alunos. Os talentos únicos dos alunos e o bem-estar emocional social são valorizados e o nosso objetivo é inspirar a curiosidade e o amor dos alunos pela aprendizagem.

Vamos planear eventos familiares para desenvolver relações como uma comunidade escolar. Os boletins mensais vão chegar a casa com avisos, eventos e outras atualizações. O site da escola e o Facebook também serão um recurso para notícias importantes.

O primeiro dia de aulas aproxima-se rapidamente – **quinta-feira, 1 de setembro para o 1º ano e terça-feira, 6 de setembro para o Jardim-escola**. Por favor, aproveite para ler este boletim, pois contém informações importantes. Se tiver alguma dúvida, por favor contacte o escritório da escola. Anexado a este boletim informativo encontra-se um formulário intitulado "**Como é que a sua criança vai para casa?**" É muito importante que este formulário seja preenchido e devolvido no primeiro dia de aulas ao professor da sua criança. Isto informará os professores como as crianças vão ir para casa da escola no primeiro dia: os pais vêm buscá-las, vão por meio de autocarro privado, vão a pé, etc. Também está anexada a sua sala de aula e professores para o ano. Estas listas de classes são feitas com grande cuidado. Por favor, note que os pedidos para mudar de professores não serão honrados.

O pessoal da Escola Rodman está muito entusiasmado por fazer parte da vida das suas crianças. Acreditamos que a escola deve ser um ambiente acolhedor e positivo para os alunos e famílias. Por favor contacte a escola com perguntas ou preocupações.

Atenciosamente,

Amy Huston e o Pessoal da Escola

**Diretora Escolar:**

Amy Huston

**Ancorados na Aprendizagem!**

**Sei que posso!**

**Vou trabalhar duro!**

**Vou ficar mais esperto!**

**Dia Escolar para os Alunos:**

8:15 da manhã -2:30 da tarde

Segunda- Sexta-feira

# El Reporte de Rodman

## Últimas noticias y Actualizaciones del Boletín

Edición # 1, agosto 2022

### Mensaje de Bienvenida:

Me gustaría dar una cálida bienvenida a la comunidad escolar de Rodman y presentarme. Mi nombre es Amy Houston y estoy emocionada de servir como Directora en la Escuela Primaria de Thomas R. Rodman. Este es mi octavo año trabajando con las Escuelas Públicas de New Bedford y he sido asistente directora durante más de 10 años.

¡Es un honor tener esta oportunidad de trabajar con el personal, los estudiantes y las familias de la comunidad de la Escuela Rodman! Muchos miembros del personal han venido este verano para prepararse para nuestros estudiantes y para darme la bienvenida al edificio. Tenemos personales que son dedicados a trabajar en colaboración con los estudiantes y las familias para poder construir una experiencia educativa segura, apoyada y desafiante para todos los estudiantes. Valoramos los talentos únicos y el bienestar social y emocional de los estudiantes y nuestra meta es inspirar curiosidad y amor por el aprendizaje de los estudiantes.

Estaremos planeando eventos familiares para construir relaciones como una comunidad escolar. Nuestros boletines mensuales llegarán a casa con recordatorios, eventos y otras actualizaciones. El sitio web y Facebook también serán un recurso para noticias importantes.

El primer día de clases se acerca rápidamente: **el jueves, 1 de septiembre para los grados 1-5 y el martes, 6 de septiembre para el jardín de infantes**. Por favor tómese el tiempo para leer este boletín ya que contiene información importante. Si tienen alguna pregunta, comuníquese con la oficina de la escuela.

Adjunto a este boletín hay un formulario titulado "**¿Cómo va a llegar su hijo(a) a casa?**" Es muy importante que este formulario es llenado y devuelto al maestro de su hijo el primer día de aulas. Esto informará a los maestros cómo los niños van a regresar a casa de escuela el primer día: los padres los recogen, el autobús de la guardería privada, el andador, etc. También en este adjunto es el salón de clases de su estudiante y la asignación de maestro para el año. Mucho cuidado ha sido dado en la creación de las listas de clases. Por favor tenga en cuenta que los maestros no aceptarán solicitudes para cambiar los maestros de los estudiantes.

El personal de Rodman está emocionado de ser parte de la vida de sus estudiantes. Creemos que la escuela debe ser un ambiente bien recibido y positivo para los estudiantes y las familias. Por favor comuníquese con la escuela si tiene preguntas o inquietudes.

Un Cálido Saludo,

Amy Huston y el personal de Rodman

Directora:  
Amy Huston

**¡Anclado en el aprendizaje!**

**¡Sé que puedo!**

**¡Voy a Trabajar duro!**

**¡Voy a ser más inteligente!**

**Día Escolar de Estudiante: 8:15 am-2:30pm Lunes a Viernes**