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River Gate High School Starts New STNA Program

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STNA is the new State Tested Nursing Assistant program at River Gate High School. This is a new program that gives River Gate High School students the skills, knowledge and ability to work at nursing homes, hospitals, home health care or anywhere that needs STNA's.

"This new program is beyond an awesome opportunity for our students. They are able to obtain a certificate that allows them to go out in the workforce and acquire a job, quite easily, due to the high demand," said Christina Young, School Community Liaison.

STNA is a program that gives people the opportunity to earn the tools and skills they need to work in any nursing facilities. The program at River Gate High School started on October 5th, going from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. The training itself also lasts 4 weeks. The skills that STNA students learn are attention to detail, written and verbal communication, consistency, knowledge of medical terminology, record keeping skills, understanding of common disorders, and proper hygiene. The students in the program appear to be excited about this opportunity.

"I look forward to getting to act out these clinicals and be able to express or what I'm learning and get the help hands on that I need. My favorite part of the STNA program would have to be being able to get the help I need and actually do Hands-On learning," said Tammi Sydney, STNA student.

This year at River Gate High School seems to be a particularly exciting one, with all new clubs and programs being offered to students. Make sure you look out for next quarter's issue to see what's new and happening at River Gate.



Marvel's "Black Widow": A Movie to Get Wrapped Up In

Destiny Dawkins

Marvel Comics are on a roll with movie adaptations these days. There is almost no doubt they will be a huge hit when released. Just ask around, and it seems that almost everybody has a favorite superhero or franchise that they follow or know of. Here at River Gate High School, Black Widow seems to be the chosen hero among the staff and students.

Ever since first appearing in a Marvel comic in 1964, Black Widow has been a strong addition to the superhero genre. Given the track record of comic book adaptations so far, you can be pretty confident that this movie is going to be another great addition to Marvel's Cinematic Universe.

Here at River Gate, we didn't need to go too far to find fans of this great comic. Mr. Owens, Math teacher here at River Gate, shared his opinion of this upcoming movie. "I am a huge fan of American comic books. I'm always excited to see a comic book story be brought to life on the big screen! Also from a woman's side this could be a good movie because the main character is a woman."

Ms. Christina, River Gate's Community Liaison, also shared with us her enthusiasm for the soon to be movie adaptation. "I am excited to see the new movie because this is one of the few female superhero movies that came out; also because she was a villain and became a superhero."

"Marvel's "Black Widow" will be the first movie in the new "Phase 4" release schedule of Marvel's Cinematic Universe. It is scheduled to be released in theaters and IMAX nationwide on May 7th, 2021.

Desk of the Director

Welcome back to the 2020-2021 academic year! We are excited to be back at school and look forward to helping you reach your goal of graduation. During these unprecedented times, I thank you for trusting myself and the River Gate staff to educate you.

Our staff has been hard at work in the past months learning how to educate our students within the framework of social distancing and remote learning. We are also pleased to be offering multiple student clubs this year and our STNA certification program. If you are working remotely, it is very important that you are logging in and working daily. If you are not logging in, you can face truancy, loss of Pandemic-Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) funds, and withdrawal from school. Please feel free to reach out to me at any time that you have questions or concerns.

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