





Sign up to receive communications about upcoming deadlines, tryouts and important information about the season.





https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pK4qioOXo58



Agenda

- Welcome
- Riverside Crew Leadership & Organization
- Rowing Governing Bodies
- How does Crew work
- Coaching Philosophy
- Key Dates & Spring Schedule
- Cost
- Fundraising
- Team Communications
- Q&A



2025-2026 Riverside Crew Board

President VASRA Representative Immediate Past President

Treasurer Secretary Kristy Balwinski

Sonia McAvoy

Samantha Carrier

Open Seat

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Board Meetings are on the 2nd Tuesday of each month



2025-2026 Riverside Crew Support

Denise Passarella Communications

 Fundraising Dawn Miller

Melanie McCowan VASRA Volunteers

 VASRA LOCs **Taylor Salmon**

Dawn Miller

David Schafer

Elissa Seweryniak

Anne Anderson

Jenny Blair

Courtney Seiger

Open

Open

Marketing

Hospitality

Team Photographer

Spiritwear

Postseason Regatta Coordinator

🤲 We are a volunteer driven organization that supports all of the operational needs of the crew team



2025 Coaches



Head CoachDan Passarella



Head Coach
Varsity Girls
Trevor Barry



Governing Bodies for Rowing

US Rowing
Nationwide for all
Levels

USRowing

This is national organization that oversees competitive rowing at all levels. Riverside Crew is a member of US Rowing.

VASRA
Virginia Scholastic
Rowing Association



This is an all-volunteer organization that hosts the regattas in Virginia. Riverside Crew is a member of VASRA. www.vasra.org

VHSL Virginia High School League



Crew in Loudoun County is not a member of VHSL however we follow all the VHSL rules.





How Does Crew Work?

- Spring High School Sport
- Opportunity to row all year around
- Considered a Tier 3 Varsity Sport







What is a Tier 3 Varsity Sport?

- 100% funded through Parents and Donations
- High School Varsity Letter
- Team Recognition

| State Champion Recognition | VHSL Athletics | VHSL Activities | LCPS Tier 3 Policy |
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| Team | Varsity Level Only School Board Recognition, School Level Recognition | School Board Recognition, School Level Recognition | Division 1 Team Championships |
| Individual or Relay Event | Varsity Level Only School Board Recognition, School Level Recognition | School Board Recognition, School Level Recognition | Varsity level Only 1st 8's, 1st 4's |
| All-State (Team Sports) | School Level Recognition | School Level Recognition | N/A |



Long-Term Athlete Development Model

Years 1-2

- Fundamental Stage
- Learning to Train
- Training to Train "Building the Engine"
- Learning to Compete "Challenge of Competition"

Years 3-4

- Training to Compete "Heat of the Battle"
- Learning to Win "Consistent Performance"
- Winning for a Living "Performing when it Counts"
- Active for Life "Dealing with Adversity"

"Winners Assemble as a Team and Find Ways to Win"

Attendance Policy



The single most important factor in your child's success at crew is their attendance at practice.

We practice as boats, not as individuals.

One person missing practice changes the dynamics of the boat's training, which affects the dynamics of how the boat performs in the regatta. This means a boat will not practice.



Key Dates



| Oct 16 | Team registration opens* |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|
| Dec/Jan/Feb | Winter Training at Maverick |
| Jan 8 - Feb 15 | Sign up for tryouts* |
| Feb 24-26 | Tryouts |
| Feb 27 | Tryout results - Roster announced |
| Feb 28 | Final payment due |
| March 3 | RVHS Spring Sports Meeting |
| March 3 | First day of practice |

^{*}Registration link will be posted on the team website at <u>www.riversiderowing.org</u>.





2025 Winter Training Fees

Maverick Rowing Center





Dec, Jan, Feb

\$250 per month Monday-Friday

Schedule Options

- 1 morning class (7-8:15 AM)
- 2 evening classes (4:45-6:00 PM and 6:15-7:30 PM)



Before Spring...

Riverside Crew follows Loudoun County, US Rowing and Virginia Scholastic Rowing Association (VASRA) rules.

These national and state requirements mean all the items below must be completed before an athlete can tryout and/or participate in a practice with Riverside Crew.

- 1. Athletic Registration Online Riverside High School
- 2. Athletic Physical submitted to Riverside HS
- 3. Order Team Uniform (before tryouts)
- 4. Swim Test before water practice starts
- 5. Join US Rowing online before practice starts



2025 Crew Tryouts

Feb 24-26 at Maverick (5:00-7:00pm)

Day 1: 2000 meter test

Day 2: 500 meter test

Day 3: 6000 meter test











2025 Team Schedule

| Date | Event |
|---------------------|---|
| Sat 3/29/2025 | Walter Mess Regatta |
| Sat 4/5/2025 | Darrell Winslow Regatta |
| Sat 4/12/2025 | Ted Phoenix Regatta |
| Mon 4/14/2025 | LCPS Spring Break PRACTICE double practices Monday-Wednesday at Occoquan |
| Sat 4/26/2025 | Al Urquia Regatta |
| Sat 5/3/2025 | VSRCs Day 1 (State Championships) |
| Sat 5/10/2025 | VSRCs Day 2 (State Championships) |
| Sat 5/16-17/2025 | Stotesbury Cup Philadelphia PA (not all boats) |
| Sat 5/23- 5/24/2025 | SRAA National Championship |
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All Regattas are at Sandy Run Regional Park with the exception of Stotesbury and SRAA





2025 Spring Rowing Fees



- \$1,500 per rower (can be paid in installments)
- Includes:
 - Rowing equipment
 - Coaching fees
 - Bus transportation to and from Occoquan for regattas
 - Use of Maverick Rowing Center for training during the spring RVHS season
 - US Rowing Fee

Does not include cost of uniform or postseason travel expenses for out of town regattas.



Team Fundraisers





SATURDAY
10.19.24
9-11 AM

MENU

PANCAKES
BACON
FRUIT
JUICE
COFFEE & TEA

LOCATION

POTOMAC CLUB PARKING LOT SCAN THE QR CODE FOR TICKETS:





Additional Team Fundraisers



RaiseRight Gift card Program

- With the holidays coming up, purchase your gift cards through RaiseRight/Riverside Crew and team earns a portion of the proceeds.
- Start purchasing today!
- Will be posted on <u>www.riversiderowing.org</u> under "Fundraising" starting next week.
- This will be a year round fundraiser.

Letter Writing Campaign

More information will be coming in January 2025.

Spring Silent Auction





Team Communications

- Primary method of communications: TeamLinkt
- Additional methods: Emails to the athletes AND parents
- Facebook: Riverside Crew Team Facebook Group
- Team website: www.riversiderowing.org
- Instagram: @riversiderowing
- Regatta Results: x.com @VASRA_SRRP





Athletes or parents with questions about team registration, please email <u>info@riversiderowing.org</u>

Coaches can be contacted by email at coach@riversiderowing.org and via Remind

