

RCES Express September 2019

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Dear Reedy Creek Families,

We've had a great opening and the students are settling in. Our carpool arrival and dismissal has been running efficiently and our buses have been timely. We appreciate your cooperation and timeliness especially during arrival and dismissal, dropping off and picking up your students in carpool in a timely manner. Since we missed a few days when school was closed for Hurricane Dorian, our student makeup days are November 1st and December 20th, 2019, which were originally Teacher Workdays. I wanted to share our school theme this year, "Bridging the Gap." We're using a bridge to represent a way to reach a destination and overcoming challenges. Our destination is for all of us to promote student achievement and success together. We want to build bridges with our families, our students, and between all staff members because by strengthening connections we're promoting a positive environment for our students to grow and thrive in. We're committed to improve academic achievement and growth of ALL of our students. We are going to reach out to all parents in our communications and invites to the school for various events. This year we have a series of 6 Family Summits to help us build bridges with our school community. Through these summits that build on each other, we want our parents to network with other families in our school community. We also want to provide you with opportunities to learn more about what your child is learning in school, how they are learning in their classes, and the various ways you can help support your child's learning and success. If you haven't been able to come to school events during the school day or after school hours, we hope this school year you can plan for school visits by having the Family Summit dates in advance (see back). Hopefully, you can aim to attend at least a few of them.

Family Summit #1 is our new and improved Open House this Thursday night, September 12th. We will begin with our General PTA meeting at 5:15-5:45 in the Multi-Purpose Room. Please come and find out more about our PTA and their goals for this school year. From 5:45-6:30, we're providing dinner in our cafeteria where you can meet and talk with other families. From 6:30-7:30, you can go to your child's class where teachers will be providing some informative sessions and you can ask them any questions you may have. A school tour will be offered from 7:30-7:45 in English, Spanish, and Arabic.

We hope to see all parents on this Thursday night, September 12th at our Open House! We look forward to a great school year. Please reach out to us if you have questions or concerns regarding your child at any time. Sincerely,

September 2019 Important Dates to Remember				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9 PTA Board Meeting 4:30pm	¹⁰ PTA Chipotle Spirit Night 5-9pm	11	12 FAMILY SUMMIT #1 PTA Meeting, 5:15pm Dinner, 5:45-6:30pm Sessions, 6:30-7:30pm	13
¹⁶ 3rd Grade Beginning of Grade Test	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30 NO SCHOOL TEACHER WORKDAY	Oct 1 Interim Reports Go Home Today	Oct 2		

Catherine Yanello

Family Summit #1: Open House Thursday, September 12, 2019

PTA General Membership Meeting, 5:15-5:45pm Dinner, 5:45pm-6:30pm

Open House Sessions

(Spanish & Arabic interpreters available) 6:30pm-7:00pm 7:00pm-7:30pm

School Tours in English, Spanish, and Arabic 7:30pm-7:45pm

We're excited to host this year's Parent Open House!

We've changed our format this year to include an intro from the PTA and free dinner in the cafeteria to provide an opportunity for you to network with other Reedy Creek families. There will also be NEW interactive sessions in your child's class, and then tours to end the night! This night is geared for parents, however if you have a childcare need, we'll have an activity in the Media Center for your school-aged child. We hope you come out and join us!



RCES Family Summit Dates:

- October 17—Literacy Night
- November 14—Foundations all of our specialists, instructional support and student services staff
- January 28—International Night/Math Night
- March 19—Reading Support at Home
- May 19—Summer Learning



Positivity Project

We are excited to partner with The Positivity Project (P2) again this year, along with 400 schools across the country, including

several in the WCPSS. The Other People Matter movement began 4 years ago and has made a significant difference in participating schools with relationship building for students. Classes will spend 15 minutes of each day with lessons that focus on the character trait of the week. If you would like to know more, visit www.posproject.org.

Library Volunteers Wanted

Hi, I'm Ms. Faggard, who taught 3rd grade here last year. I'm now very excited to be our Media/Library Coordinator. I am seeking any and all parent volunteers to help me with numerous tasks, including organizing and processing books. Times are flexible, also. Please contact me at afaggard@wcpss.net. I would greatly appreciate your help! Just make sure you've completed the WCPSS Volunteer application.