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Positive Happenings throughout Roselle Schools - Dec. 16 to 20

Abraham Clark High School Partners with Parents Engaging Parents to Provide 100 Winter Coats to Students

Some students at Abraham Clark High School, Leonard V. Moore Middle School and Grace Wilday Junior High School will be a little warmer this winter thanks to a winter coat drive that was hosted by the high school in partnership with the organization, Parents Engaging Parents.

Through the partnership, 100 coats were collected and distributed to students at those three schools right before the holiday break on Dec. 20.

Parents Engaging Parents is an educational advocacy group comprised of parents throughout the state that focuses on building better communities.



Caption: Abraham Clark High School Principal Rashon Mickens and Altorice Frazier of Parents Engaging Parents pose with students at the winter coat giveaway on Dec. 20.

Scholastic Book Fair Returns to Grace Wilday Junior High School After Eight Years

The Scholastic Book Fair is finally back at Grace Wilday Junior High School after being gone for eight years.

Chelsea Gedell, a 7th grade ELA teacher, took on the task along with several other members of the Grace Wilday staff who assisted in coordinating and setting up the Scholastic Book Fair with a winter wonderland theme.

Students at Grace Wilday had the opportunity to shop during their ELA Classes, after school and during their recess periods last week, Dec. 9 to 13.

“The students enjoyed purchasing books that covered various genres and authors and also had the opportunity to purchase other items such as posters, journals, bookmarks, pencils, and pens from some of their favorite television shows,” said school principal Tomeeko Hunt.

During the school’s annual Winter Concert on Dec. 12, parents had the opportunity to participate in the book fair and purchase their favorite items.

“The Scholastic Book Fair was a great success and the students and staff look forward to hosting another in the spring,” added Hunt.

A percentage of the proceeds will be used to purchase materials for the students and help develop classroom libraries.



Caption: Scholastic Book Fair setup at Grace Wilday Junior High School.

Leonard V. Moore Middle Schools Hosted Engaging Game Night for Students and Families on Dec. 17

Thanks to the hard work and dedication from Leonard V. Moore Middle School's Parent-Teacher Group, the school was able to host a fun-filled "Family Game Night" on Dec. 17 that brought together students and their families.

The night included many board games and an introduction to the school's new vice principal, Mr. Green, who supervised the event.

"We look forward to more events similar to this one in the future," said Principal Craig Messmer.

Congratulations to Harrison Elementary School Teacher and Educational Service Professional of the Year

Congratulations to Harrison Elementary School's Teacher of the Year, first grade teacher Valerie Jozef and its Educational Service Professional of the Year, school counselor Christine Cutinello. Both ladies were nominated by their fellow staff members.

"Both of these educators do exceptional work with our students and they deserve to be highlighted for the great work they do," said Principal Melissa Nevarez.



Caption: (Left) School Counselor Christine Cutinello and (right) first grade teacher Valerie Jozef.

Washington Elementary School

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Holidays Came Early at Dr. Charles C Polk Elementary School with Annual Toy Giveaway

The holidays came early at Dr. Charles C. Polk Elementary School on Dec. 20 when the school hosted its annual toy giveaway.

At the giveaway, each student was allowed to select one toy of their choosing which ranged from slime making kits to ukuleles and everything in between.

One student even described it as the “best day of her life.”

Toys were donated for the giveaway by Polk school faculty and staff, community members, Roselle Police Department and more.



Caption: Principal Andreaa Harry pictured with students at Dr. Charles C. Polk Elementary School's annual student toy giveaway on Dec. 20.

Kindergarten Success Academy Hosts Festive Winter Concert Titled “A Gift for You”

Students at the Kindergarten Success Academy sang their hearts out at the school's annual winter concert on Dec. 19.

Ten classes from the school performed holiday classics such as “Happy Hanukkah” and “Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer” for their families.

“For many of the children, this was their first opportunity to showcase their musical talents,” said school principal Dr. Nathan Fisher. “This seasonal and festive performance was directed by music teacher Mrs. Samantha Blosssey. We were very proud of the children's performances during this event.”

Preschoolers Enjoy “The Polar Express” and Hot Chocolate at Holiday Party

To end the year on a high note, Roselle preschoolers enjoyed a holiday party where they watched “The Polar Express,” a holiday classic, while enjoying hot chocolate and cookies.

Many parents were also in attendance to enjoy the holiday fun.



Caption: Roselle Preschoolers excited to watch “The Polar Express” at the school’s holiday party on Dec. 20.