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An Update from the Administration

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Greetings RPS Community,

We hope that our families are having a terrific January in this brand-new year!

The decision has been made that our district will continue to learn virtually through Schoology until approximately April 19, 2021. This decision, of course, was made with the health and safety of our entire RPS community as our top concern. It is our main, ongoing priority to provide a healthy and safe atmosphere for all of our students and staff and delaying the reopening will allow us to do that.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please reach out to the administration or your student's principal via email as soon as you can. We are always there to help!

Let's start off this weekly update with a huge congratulations to the Abraham Clark High School students accepted into the Union County Arts and Education Gifted and Talented Program. Congratulations to: Nereliz Colon-Falero for visual arts, Alexandra Nasi for photography and Anthony Upegui for film making! We can't wait to celebrate the future accomplishments of these exceptional Roselle scholars.

Drama and art classes at Grace Wilday Junior High School have been in full swing since the return from winter break. Students have been doing everything from creating dramatic monologue videos to reading scripts and illustrating storyboards. We have some amazing talent to showcase.

"These activities help our students feel more confident and have become a much-needed creative outlet during this time of virtual learning," said Principal Tomeeko Hunt.

Students at Dr. Charles C. Polk Elementary reflected on the Presidential inauguration last week through a variety of thought-provoking activities. Students answered questions about the inauguration ceremony, such as their opinions about how America celebrates its change of leadership, and were tasked with creating short videos that voice their hopes for America.

"Students worked independently at home with their families and I am so, so proud of our students and their work," said Principal Andrea Harry.



In honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Leonard V. Moore students created a virtual journey of the civil rights leader's accomplishments. The activity featured digital posters about students' dreams and a one act play. To view the wonderful work by our students, [click here](#).

Third graders at Harrison Elementary School held a virtual pep rally last week to kick off the second iReady Diagnostic. Activities during the pep rally included students playing a Kahoot game and dancing. What a fun way to get our students excited about their assessments.

Washington Elementary's Super STEAM Team recently expanded its critical thinking challenges to include the i-Ready Learning Games platform. The team collaboratively explores each game and develops strategies to master differentiated skill levels.

As research shows, games, specifically those with simulation components, provide a 23% gain over traditional learning. Learning games can increase achievement outcomes by two grade levels, according to Principal Marianne Tankard.

And finally, at our Preschool, students in Miss Melissa's class were excited to learn about recycling and how we can reuse items we would normally recycle or throw away. The students also had some fun with a bowling activity using empty water bottles and a ball they had at home.

"The students were able to see their friends and cheer them on as they bowled. We spoke about how many bottles they knocked down and who knocked down the most and the least," said Principal Carla Wynter-Darius.

Make sure to follow all the action on our social media platforms: @RoselleSchools and /Roselle Public Schools on Facebook.

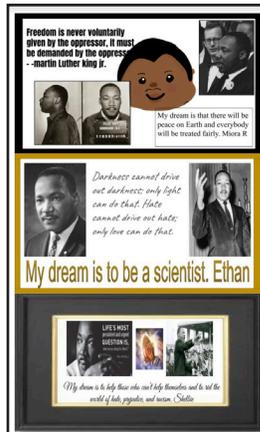
Stay safe and Roselle strong, and remember "ALL STUDENTS MATTER,"



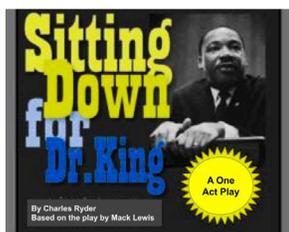
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In recognition of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day, LV Moore students created digital posters about their dreams are to add to their interactive 'A Journey with Dr. King' Exhibit. https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/11kNQ5mAjjDM_RT8cabD1hWpJp_jeSpLJOGt1VJQb1i8/edit?usp=sharing



Generation On members performed "Sitting Down for Dr. King" about the Woolworth's Lunch Counter Sit In in Greensboro, North Carolina. https://youtu.be/tip_YYd100g

