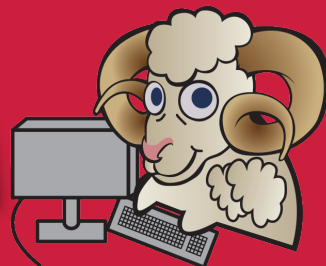


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An Update from the Administration

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Greetings, RPS Community!

We'd like to take a moment to reflect on how wonderful it was to see students return to our school buildings on January 18th. Our return from virtual learning to in person learning focused on safety 1st. The district hosted Covid 19 Testing for staff and students at all schools in an effort for everyone to #KnowYourStatus.

Teachers and students were very excited to get back into the classroom after not seeing each other since before the holidays. As we continue to track Covid 19 cases in our school community, we encourage everyone to stay safe. Remember: Get tested, wear your mask, get vaccinated, and please social distance whenever possible. Staying safe is imperative to keeping our students where they want to be - in the classroom.

Now, we'd like to say a big congratulations to Roselle Public School's 2021-2022 Teacher and Educational Support Personnel of the Year recipients! Thank you for your tremendous dedication to our students and school district.

Teacher and Educational Support Personnel of The Year

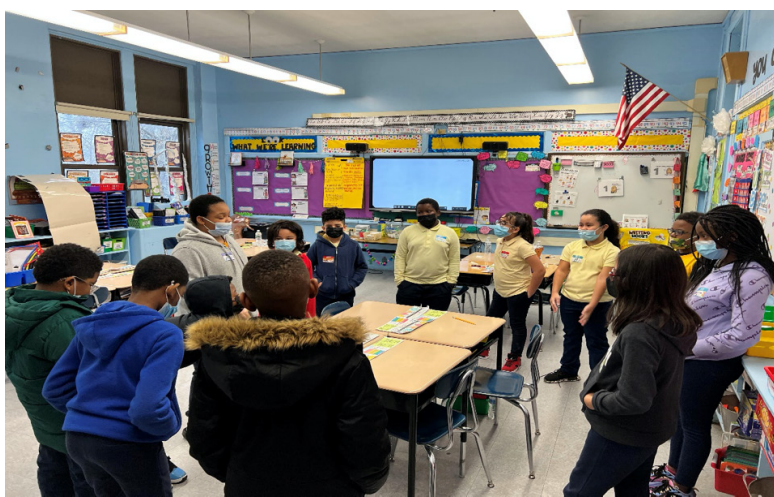
School	Teacher	Educational Support Personnel
Abraham Clark High School	Ms. Podkul	Mr. Lubin
Grace Wilday Junior High School	Mrs. Wilhite	Ms. Sousa
Leonard V. Moore Middle School	Ms. Gavilanez	Ms. DeLoatch
Dr. Charles C. Polk Elementary School	Ms. Carter Hopkins	Ms. Batres
Harrison Elementary School	Ms. Garcia	Ms. Chavez
Washington Elementary School	Ms. Quinn	Mrs. Hilton
Kindergarten Success Academy	Mrs. Adair	Ms. Benson

Last week, the district participated in **No-Name Calling Week (NCCW)**, an event organized by K-12 educators and students to end name-calling and bullying in schools. Scholars at Dr. Charles C. Polk School celebrated NCCW by focusing on the theme of "Call Me by My Name." Students decorated tags with names they like to be called, positive attributes about themselves as well as their pronouns.

"It was important that students share these name tags in class to promote respect, individuality and inclusivity," said Principal Andreea Harry.

Students also created biography poems that included positive traits about themselves, things they like, their greatest fears as well as who or what means the most to them.

"Through this activity, scholars were able to identify and discuss commonalities while respecting differences amongst themselves," said Principal Harry.



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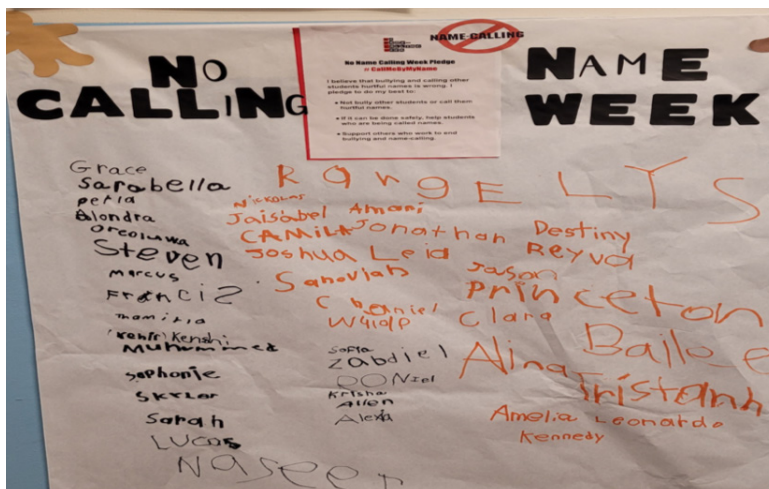
Leonard V. Moore students participated in NCCW by pairing up with another classmate, an "LV Buddy," to stand up against bullying with a new friend. Students also created a fun and colorful "You've Got a Friend in Me" board to be featured in the school's hallway.

NO NAME CALLING WEEK @ LV



Kindergarten Success Academy students participated in various activities about bullying and the significance of not participating in name calling. Books such as "Words are Not for Hurting" and "Chrysanthemum" were used to read and discuss, the song, "Stop Bullying Now", was taught, and the students had a puppet show presentation.

"At the end of the week our students signed a 'No Name Calling' banner, wore positive name badges, and took a pledge to treat each other with kindness and respect," said Principal Sheila Williams.



Washington Elementary School has launched its "WES C.A.R.E.S." initiative to showcase to students that their teachers care about their academic, social, and emotional wellbeing. Five core values represent the five core competencies of social emotional learning:

Cooperative (Relationship Skills)

Accountable (Self-Management)

Responsible Decisions (Responsible Decision Making)

Empathetic (Social Awareness)

Self-Confident (Self-Awareness)

Through this initiative, these core values are discussed and demonstrated in the classroom during guidance lessons and woven into the curriculum of the various academic subjects. Each week, teachers nominate students who demonstrate these core values to receive a "Certificate of Respect."

"A big part of our effort to reinforce these values involves highlighting students who serve as great role models to their classmates. These students are recognized during morning announcements for all students to hear," said Principal Marianne Tankard. "The teachers make a big deal of congratulating the students to ensure the message is clear: WES cares! That is the expectation."

Congratulations to the Abraham Clark Girls basketball team who picked up a big win last week over cross-town rival Roselle Park, 46-19. The Boys basketball team also won back-to-back games last week, upping their record to 6-4 by defeating Dayton and Arthur L. Johnson high schools. Grace Wilday basketball went on the road but came up short as both Boys and Girls lost to Pond Road Middle School in Robbinsville.

A reminder, the January Board of Education meeting is tonight, January 24, starting at 7 p.m. at Abraham Clark High School's Auditorium, 122 E. 6th Ave. The meeting will also be available via Facebook. As always, we look forward to highlighting our "Students of the Month" and hope community members will join us in the celebration. Please remember: Masks are required in all school buildings.

As always, please continue to follow @_RoselleSchools and /Roselle Public Schools on Facebook for the latest and greatest RPS news.

Stay Roselle Strong, and remember we focus on "Every Student Everyday!" because "All Students Matter!"



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