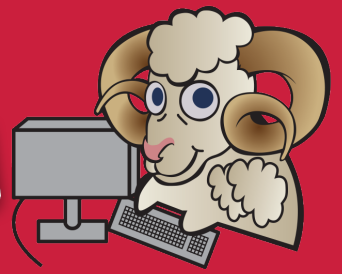


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An Update from the Administration

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Greetings and Happy Valentine's Day, RPS Community!

We are pleased to report many, many great things are going on in the district.

A huge congratulations to Abraham Clark High School (ACHS) student Gerard Bankhead for being recognized as the Roselle-Roselle Park Rotary Club Student of the Month. What a great honor for our scholar. Speaking of celebrating students, ACHS hosted its Honor Roll Breakfast recently to celebrate students that have excelled during Marking Period 2. Students received certificates, kind words from school administrators and, of course, a yummy breakfast. Way to go, scholars! And keep working hard.



We also have great news from the ACHS Athletics Department. A shout out to Kennedy Vaughn for being selected as the recipient of the National Women and Girls in Sports Award for the 2021-2022 school year.

Basketball fever is running high, as both ACHS varsity teams continue to improve their post-season resumes with each winning two out of three games last week. Girls Basketball remains hot, having won seven of their last nine games. They received the 14th seed in the upcoming Union County Tournament, their highest seed in 10 years, and will face Scotch Plains-Fanwood in the opening round game on Wednesday, February 16.

Boys Basketball kept rolling as they defeated East Brunswick Tech, 68-47, lost to a tough Governor Livingston team last week, but regrouped to take down cross town rival Roselle Park 74-47. The boys received the 12th seed in the upcoming Union County Tournament and will host the winner of the Koinonia and Cranford game on Tuesday, February 15. Way to go, Rams!

Grace Wilday Junior High School also honored its Marking Period 2 Honor Roll students with special awards ceremonies last week. It was great to see parents and teachers come out to support our students.

Did you know that future thespians reside in Room 117 at Grace Wilday Junior High School? That's right! Some eighth-grade students are busy reading the play version of "Anne Frank, the Diary of a Young Girl" and will be preparing a final project.

"I'm always pleased to see the students choose the project that complements their learning style and interest," said Principal Tomeeko Hunt.

Leonard V. Moore Middle School is celebrating Black History Month with school-wide classroom door decorating that features prominent figures. Just take a look at that creativity!



Students at Washington Elementary School have been busy with hands-on learning about robotics, math, and programming using the Ozobots. These desk-friendly coding robots allow students to have fun while being engaged in Computer Science lessons.



Harrison Elementary School students celebrated No One Eats Alone Day last week with a Disney's "Encanto" theme. Students in first and second grade ate lunch together while third and fourth graders ate together, something students don't have the opportunity to do on a regular schedule. Both preschool classes were combined to also enjoy breakfast together. The combined grade levels also had an opportunity to watch "Encanto."

"It was a great opportunity for discussion and for students to understand that when we work together things can get done; we embrace our differences. It is ok to be vulnerable and to talk about it," said Principal Dr. Melissa Nevarez.



We are proud to see that Dr. Charles C. Polk Elementary School partnered with James Carey, Director of Social Services for the ElizabethPort Presbyterian Center and TMX Intermodal LLC to give back to victims of the Bronx apartment fire in January. Polk School staff and scholars donated \$1,000, along with water, shoes, clothing, hats, gloves, blankets, toiletries and women's suits. TMX Intermodal packed a trailer that will be delivered to support the Bronx families in need.



Polk scholars, meanwhile, celebrated their version of Super Bowl Sunday by participating in a Dress Down Friday. Scholars brought in cans or boxes of soup to be donated to the local Food Bank.

"We are grateful that our scholars continue to engage in activities that display their understanding of kindness and generosity," said Principal Andreea Harry.



As a note, the 21st Century Program will be hosting Free Family Line Dancing Nights on March 15th, April 12th, May 17th and June 7th at 7 p.m. in the ACHS small gymnasium. Families are encouraged to come out and enjoy a class with DJ Antwan.

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!"

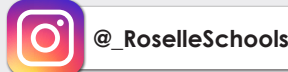
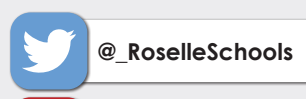


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