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**“Equitable Education for Every Student”**

**Principal’s Message**

Greetings Parents,

I truly thank you for choosing RLMJH School as your child’s educational institution. We are steadily working to increase student achievement in our building, but we need your help in making this happen. Many of our students are late for school and they are being checked out of school before the end of the day. Because of this, our students are missing valuable instructional time that can be used to increase achievement. We are very focused and intentional about educating our students. With your support of getting your child to school on time and staying for the entire day, and more, we can dramatically increase our achievement level. I look forward to working with you and your child this 2nd 9wks of school. I thank you in advance for your continued support in helping to make RLMJH a place where student achievement is our main goal.

**Parent Center Corner, Geraldine Ray**

The year has kicked off with a great start. Let’s continue to practice safety and social distancing. As the holiday’s approaches, let’s enjoy family and food with love and care by continuing to wear our masks and sanitize. We greatly appreciate all you do in support of Robert L. Merritt Junior High School. My days at Robert L. Merritt Junior High School are Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p. m. Remember, I will adjust my schedule to accommodate your needs. I can be reached me at [gray@sunflower.k12.ms.us](mailto:gray@sunflower.k12.ms.us) or (662) 884-1270 ext. 317.

**Upcoming Events at RLMJH**

10/11/21 Homecoming Coronation @ 6:00 p.m.

10/15-18/21 Fall Break (Students)

10/21/21 Home Game RLMJH vs Amanda Elzy

10/21/21 Report Cards will be issued

10/25-29/21 Drug Awareness/Bully Prevention Week

**Assistant Principal’s Message**

As we enter into the 2<sup>nd</sup> Nine Weeks, things seem to be slowing down here at RLMJH. The students are settling down and the teachers are working diligently to provide the best education for our students. On Oct. 11, we had our annual coronation program and it was huge success. We were complimented on our decorations and how well-dressed the students were. We are also looking to improve on our data from the benchmark assessments. The students were focused and we hope that this leads to the desired results. As we approach the upcoming holidays, we are looking to do some great things here at RLMJH that involves our staff and students. We are continuing to grow as a family at Merritt and we look forward to a brighter future.



Meet the Dream Team...

*Merritt's Students of the Month*



*Condaleeza Lee*



*Daniela Moreno*



*Keric Robinson*

*Merritt's Students of the Month*



*Charity Love*



*Robert Smith*



*Haley Cooks*

## The McKinney -Vento Act

When a family becomes homeless, there are two issues that usually occur with the effected children, 1) student attendance decreases and 2) financial situations destroy students' interest in school. The SCCSD recognizes the importance of education for all children and has adopted the McKinney-Vento Homeless Act that addresses the needs of homeless children. This policy aids with homeless students so that they can continue to be educated despite the challenges they face. If you know of families with children who are homeless, please let us know at (662) 844-1270. For more information visit Website: <http://www.serve.org/ncheor> E-mail [homeless@serve.org](mailto:homeless@serve.org).

## A Sneak Peek!!



### Librarian's Corner, Dr. Jessica James

Have you looked at the following videos to learn new information? If not, please look at the videos that can be used to help you learn valuable information.

Please follow these steps:

1. Go to SCCSD website.
2. Go to Robert L. Merritt Jr. School.
3. Click on the Library tab.
4. Scroll down to the videos.

If there are any questions, please see the librarian at the school.

Enjoy!!!

### Counselor's Corner, Latoshia Lewis

October: Bully Prevention Month  
What Kids Can Do!

Are you being bullied? Do you see bullying at your school? There are things you can do to keep yourself and the kids you know safe from bullying.

- Treat Everyone with Respect
- What to do if you are bullied
- Protect Yourself from Cyberbullying
- Stand Up for Others
- Get Involved

Nobody should be mean to others.

- Stop and think before you say or do something that could hurt someone.
- Keep in mind that everyone is different. Not better or worse. Just different.
- If you think you have bullied someone in the past, apologize. Everyone feels better.

**“With us plus you, there’s nothing our students can’t do”!**