

Ruleville Central Elementary Newsletter

December 2023

"Equitable Education for Every Student"



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Principal's Message



Happy **H**olidays! We are already half way through the school year as we enter the month of December. It is expected that **EVERYONE** continue to keep teaching and learning a **PRIORITY** each day at Ruleville Central Elementary. Not only do we promote the importance of a quality education, we expect our students to be contributing members of our society. By giving, sharing, helping, and sacrificing, our students can make a difference and change the world. Let's teach our children that it is better to **GIVE** than it is to receive and to **COUNT** their blessings. We can impact the world through teaching, learning, giving, and caring! Continue to watch us grow! An A-Rated School

Principal S. Washington



Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating a birthday during the month of **December**.

Read All About It

Now is the perfect time to share the love of reading. Make reading a part of your holiday festivities. Give the gift of a great book to the children and adults on your Christmas list! Interesting titles to consider would be:

- **Pete the Cat Saves Christmas* by Eric Litwin
- **The Polar Express* by Chris Van Allsburg
- **How the Grinch Stole Christmas* by Dr. Seuss
- **The Night Before Christmas* by Clement Clarke Moore
- **The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* by Barbara Robinson
- **The Twelve Days of Christmas* illustrated by Robert Sabuda
- **A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens
- **The Christmas Tapestry* by Patricia Pollaco
- **The Christmas Miracle* by Jonathan Toom
- **K is for Kwanza* by Juwanda G. Ford

Ruleville Central Elementary's Vision Statement:

**All students will grow at least one level
in reading and mathematics**

Upcoming Events

12/4/2023	School Spelling Bee
12/6/2023	RIF Book Distribution
12/14-22/2023	2 nd Nine Weeks Benchmark
12/20/2023	Toy Give-a-Way @ 1:30 p.m.
12/21/2023	Food Pack Give-a-Way
12/22/2023	Christmas Program @ 9:00 a.m.
12/22/2023	School dismissal @ 1:00 pm
01/9/2024	Students Return/Classes Resume

School Hours

Arrival time for students is between **7:00 A.M. and 7:30 A.M.** Students are tardy after 7:35 A.M. An adult must come into the office to sign for the tardy student. During dismissal parents are asked to pick up students in the front of the school. Parents should not exit vehicles, but wait patiently for students to be delivered by a school official to each vehicle. School dismisses at **3:00 P.M.** after announcements. Avoid checking students out of school after **2:30 p.m.**



Ruleville Elementary Networking Service

To receive school announcements via text **Notify Me** through School Status.

This is a safe and confidential communication system. No telephone numbers will be revealed during this process. We are working to improve home and school communications one text at a time.

In the Spotlight



Gregory Jones
Teacher of the Month



Harry Walls
Staff of the Month



Dorothy Jackson
Staff of the Month



Shabreka Hawkins
Parent of the Month



Camilla Potts
Community Partner

RCES Tigers of the Month



Caring for Christmas



HELP FOR THOSE IN NEED

RCES faculty, staff, and students took a trip to show an act of kindness to the residents of the **Walter B. Crook Nursing Home** in Ruleville. The group delivered care bags filled with toiletries and sang Christmas carols. The students learned from the experience that it is better to give than it is to receive.



Pictured above-Principal Washington and the **RCES Homecoming Court** at the **Walter B. Crook Nursing Facility** in Ruleville.

HELP FOR THOSE IN NEED

When a family becomes homeless, there are two issues that usually occur with the affected 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 provides assistance for homeless students so that they can continue to be educated despite the challenges they face. If you know families with children who are homeless, please contact the Homeless Liaison at RCES, Ada Mays at (662)756-4276. Your call could be of great assistance to a family in need.





RACES Student of the Month

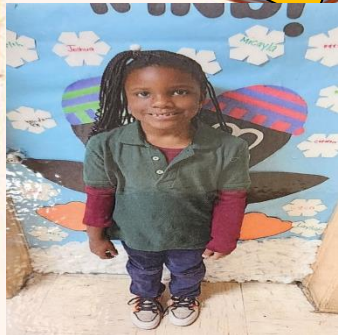


Kindergarten



Janiyah Daniels

1st Grade



Carlah Hayes

2nd Grade



Kinsley Causey



3rd Grade



Kamari Brown



4th Grade



Ken'Daya Garfield



5th Grade



Artavius Williams

RCES 2023 R.I.F. Distribution/Book Signing/ Western Style Bingo, Girl Scouts, Holiday Character Dress Out & Popcorn Fundraiser



Kedrick Davis-1st Grader
Top Salesperson for Popcorn Sales

