

# **RCES Raider Times**

Learn with Passion, Lead with Integrity, and Succeed with Confidence!

# Attendance

#### September is Attendance

Awareness Month!

#### Be Present, Be Powerful

One in 10 kindergarten and first-grade students nationally are chronically absent, missing nearly a month of school. These early absences correlate with reading difficulties and poor attendance patterns in later years. Poor attendance can influence whether children read proficiently by the end of third grade or be held back. By 6th grade, chronic absence becomes a leading indicator that a student will drop out of high school. When students improve their attendance rates, they improve their academic prospects and chances for graduating. So what can you do as parents:

- 1. Make school attendance a priority
- 2. Keep your child healthy and make sure your child has the required shots.
- 3. Develop backup plans for getting to school if something comes up.
- 4. Try to schedule non-urgent related medical appointments and extended trips when school isn't in session.
- 5. Communicate with the school

# **Important Information**

#### Calendar Update

To make up the days missed from Tropical Storm Debby **we will be having school on October 10 & 11 and April 18**. New calendars were sent home with students. October 9th will still be a Professional Development Day for teachers, no school for students.

### **Important Dates**

September 10 – Interims Go Home September 13 – Grits with Grandparents

September 12-19 – Book Fair

September 23 - SIC @ 5:00

- PTO @ 6:00

September 24 - Early Release @ 11:30

# **Health & Wellness**

### It's Hot Outside!

As we move into September, we know temperatures can still get dangerously high before fall finally arrives. As kids play outside in the afternoon and participate in sports it is important to stay properly hydrated. Kids are drinking less water, and sugar-sweetened beverages now account for the largest percentage of added sugar in American diets. Dehydration can be a reason for low energy and can contribute to serious consequences at sporting events. Encourage your child to stay hydrated with plain water, water infused with fruits or vegetables, 100% juice, or unsweetened tea.

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### **Around the School**

#### **Book Fair**

#### September 12-19

All purchases through the Book Fair benefit our school! Our School Goal is to sell 2,000 books! You can now set up an eWallet for your student to use at the Book Fair!

For more info go to ...

https://www.scholastic.com/bf/richardcarrollelemschool

### Watch D.O.G.S

Watch D.O.G.S. will be on patrol in our school soon! If you signed up for a date to volunteer, please make sure that you have your Registration and District Volunteer Forms filled out and turned in as soon as possible. If you are interested in volunteering, there is still time to sign up!! Please see Mrs. Kinard in the front office to schedule a day and to complete your Registration and District Volunteer Forms! These forms must be completed and approved by the district office before your volunteer date. Please allow time for processing.

If you have heard a little bit about **Dads of Great Students** but still have questions, please call the front office with questions! We look forward to having more great male role models in the school building!



