

Ruleville Central Elementary Newsletter

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“Equitable Education for Every Student”

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Principal's Message



Welcome Back!! I am so excited to begin the new year with you at Ruleville Central Elementary. We are entering a new calendar year; however, expectations are still high for all stakeholders. We encourage everyone to make teaching and learning a **PRIORITY** each day at RCES. Not only do we promote the importance of a quality education, we expect our students to be respectful and well-disciplined. By revisiting our vision and mission, schoolwide goals, and positive behavior plan, we are anticipating a successful second half! As we strive to create proficient readers, writers, mathematicians, problem solvers, critical thinkers, and productive citizens in the **NEW YEAR**, remember that if better is possible, then good is not enough. Let's work together to make 2024 a **BETTER** year with new possibilities despite all uncertainties!! S. Washington

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.

Upcoming Events

- January 15- Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- January 22- School Choice Week Celebration
- January 25- SCCSD Board Meeting @AWJ
- January 26- 100th Day of School Celebration
- January 30- Report Card Distribution



Birthday wishes to everyone who is celebrating a birthday in the month of **January!!**



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.



Teacher of the Year

Mrs. Robin Powell-Turner



My name is Robin Denise Powell, and I am proud to be a Ruleville Elementary Tiger! I am from Ruleville, MS but I reside in Webb, MS. I received a Bachelor's Degree in Education from Mississippi Valley State University and began receiving credits in the Master's program at Belhaven University. I am certified to teach Early Childhood. This will be my 33rd year at Ruleville Central Elementary.

I have a true passion for working with our youngest learners!! Helping each child progress in all areas of their development—academic, social, language, and motor—is a challenge that I am honored to accept daily. I strive to create a community of learners that nurtures this growth in a positive, fun environment.

Personally, I have been married for 21 glorious years and have two fantastic children who are 33 and 32, and 1 grandson. I love to watch Lifetime movies, game shows, and our kids play sports—tennis, volleyball, basketball, baseball, and swim! I also enjoy reading, cooking, listening to music, relaxing at the beach, and spending time with friends and family.

I look forward to working together with the parents, students and all of my coworkers as partners in children's growth and development!!



In the Spotlight



Robin Powell-Turner
Teacher of the Month



Valerie Ratliff
Staff of the Month



Britany Carpenter
Parent of the Month



Tangela Williams
Community Partner

RCES Tigers of the Month

"Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much."

-Helen Keller



RCES Spelling Bee Winners



1st Place

Serenity Bridges-3rd grade

2nd Place

David Carr - 5th grade

3rd Place

Adrianna Nash-3rd grade

Charlene Roby

Spelling Bee Coordinator





RCES Students of the Month



Kindergarten



Kaleigh Brandon

1st Grade



London McCain

2nd Grade



Londynn Carter



3rd Grade



Lyndsei Townsend



4th Grade



Lamonica Harris

5th Grade



Ryan Foster





Christmas Holiday Season, Teaching & Learning, CHIPP Initiative
 sponsored by **Alpha Gamma Epsilon Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, TEHS Class of 2024 Toy Giveaway**





Girl Scouts, Mentors & Mentees, Food Giveaway



Glenn Family Foundation Backpack Food Giveaway & 100 Days of School Celebration

