

# Rawlings News

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### December 2019/ January 2020

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## Principal's Point

2019-2020 School Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:45-2:55

Dear Rawlings Families,

Happy December! I have been spending most of the school day in classrooms observing your child or children being active learners. I am proud of all of the hard work and accomplishments that I see and hear as I have conversations with them about their learning. I am also proud of the outstanding instruction that our teachers and staff are providing to our scholars each day. We have a busy and exciting two months ahead of us. During the month of December, your child/children will be taking the next round of MAP assessments. This assessment is **extremely** important as it has a direct correlation of how your child will perform on the FSA (Florida Standards Assessment). All students in grades 3-5 take the FSA assessment in the Spring. Make sure to talk with your child about the importance of focusing and doing their best!!! Our next Lunch Munch is Monday, December 16th. What a wonderful time to come and enjoy special time with your child or children. Our Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade students, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Chorus, and Drumming Ensemble will be performing their Holiday musical on December 17th at 6:00 P.M. in our cafeteria. The children have been practicing so hard and are very excited about performing. Mark your calendars now so you won't miss out on this special evening. Our school will be closed December 23rd through January 6th for the Winter Break. School will resume for all students on Tuesday, January 7th. Make sure to check the "Upcoming Events" section of this newsletter for our January events. We will be sending home an optional calendar of activities to extend learning over the Holiday Break. I am hopeful that our scholars will find some time to accomplish these tasks.

I wish you all a very Happy Holiday Season and a safe and healthy New Year!

Rebecca Moore, Principal

#### Curriculum Corner by Jeane Morehouse, Assistant Principal



We successfully continue to use the MAP tool this year. MAP is a computer-based, adaptive assessment that measures student performance on Reading, Math, and Science and their growth in these subjects over time. MAP stands for Measures of Academic Progress. Northwest Evaluation Association ("NWEA") is the non-profit organization responsible for putting MAP in the hands of educators. It is an adaptive assessment that starts out at the student's grade level and gets more difficult or easier depending on the way the child answers. The scores are very reliable as long as the students do their *very best*. MAP Reading and Math assessments strongly correlate with FSA (Florida Standards Assessment), so their December MAP scores will help us support students more. Our 1st-5th grade students took this assessment in September. Beginning on December 3rd, we will take our Winter MAP assessments and we will also have kindergarten students participating. Kindergarten-5th grade participate in Reading and Math. NWEA MAP shares their norm-reference test group data from 2015 with participants, such as Pinellas County Schools, so we can have an idea of the results we may expect. As you know, our teachers teach well and work hard and we know we are an "A" school. These results will show this when students do their best so please emphasize with your child(ren) to do so. Teachers will share positive growth information in January about these results. Happy Winter Break to all of you!



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#### **Mission Statement**

"Educate and prepare each student for college, career and life."

#### Vision

"Always expect the best - 100% student success."

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Check out our school website!

https://www.pcsb.org/rawlings-es



Under the Resource tab and Title I, you have access to our 2019-20 School Improvement Plan, Parent and Family Engagement Plan, Parents Right to Know, Title I News, and a copy of the School-Parent-Student Compact.



There are also additional links to:



School grades and AYP information: <a href="http://schoolgrades.fldoe.org/">http://schoolgrades.fldoe.org/</a>



Florida's School Public Accountability Reports (SPAR): SPAR Report and link:



http://doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclbspar/year1415/nclb1415.cfm?dist\_schl=52\_4351\_









Rawlings Guidelines for Success							
Setting	Be Respectful	Be Responsible	Be Safe				
Recess Areas	Follow adult directions.  Use kind words and actions.  Follow game rules and play fair.  Invite others to play and take turns.	Walk promptly to line when your teacher calls.  Solve problems peacefully.  Use equipment appropriately.  Tell an adult if someone is hurt.	Stay with your class within the boundaries.  Play with caution.  Keep your hands, feet, and belongings to yourself.				

#### "One 'Can' Make a Difference!" December 4th-18th

This year our student service project will be "One 'Can' Make a Difference!" The 5000 Role Model students are organizing this food drive. Bring in canned goods or other nonperishable goods!

We will have a popcorn party for the class with the most food collected for each grade level!

Food will be delivered to a local food bank to help those who are homeless and hungry in our community.

#### Rawlings Family Lunch Munch

Lunch Munch is held once a month on various days of the week to provide opportunities for families to have lunch with their students and encourage a family school connection. Any individual wishing to come on campus for lunch munch must provide a government issued photo I.D. (such as a Driver License, State ID card, or Passport) and be listed on the student's white office card. Rawlings will only be allowing visitors to eat lunch with their child on the designated Lunch Munch days. Therefore, lunch with your child can only take place on this designated day each month. Reminder stickers will be sent home in your student's agenda each month. All dates are subject to change.

#### **New Information**

<u>Please remember, visitors must be on your child's white office card in order to eat lunch with them. They must bring a government issued photo</u>

I.D. every time they visit campus for lunch. Please arrive a couple minutes early to be checked in. You will not be able to come on campus without your government issued I.D. (such as a driver's license, state ID card, or passport).

#### 2019-2020 Lunch Munch Dates (subject to change)

Monday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Thursday, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Wednesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Monday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Tuesday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019



#### Save the Date!

K-2, 3rd Grade, 4th Grade Chorus, 5th Grade Chorus, and Drumming Ensemble performing

## RAWLINGS MUSIC LIVE PRESENTS: WINTER CONCERT

Tuesday, December 17th

Students are to meet in the Rawlings music room by 5:30 pm Show time is at 6:00 pm in the Cafeteria



#### **School Advisory Council (SAC)**

SAC is a team representing various segments of the community, which meets to discuss our school's academic plan and progress and helps create the School Improvement Plan (goals and objectives for the school). The next SAC meeting will be Monday, December 16 at 3:20pm in the Media Center.



I NEED TO STAY HOME IF								
I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE HEAD LICE	I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION	I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL		
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Temperature of 101 °F or higher.	2 or more occurrences within the past 24 hours.	2 or more occurrances within the past 24 hours.	Obvious rash.	Nits (eggs) or live bugs.	Redness, itching, and/or "crusty" drainage	Hospital stay and/or ER visit.		
I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL ONCE I AM								
Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever- reducing medication (i.e. Tylenol, Motrin).	Free from vomiting for 24 hours.	Free from diarrhea for 24 hours.	Free from rash and/or have been seen by my doctor and have a note stating I am not contagious.	Treated by lice- killing agent AND live bug and nit (egg) free.	Free of symptoms, and/or have been evaluated by my doctor and have a note stating I am not contagious.	Released by my medical provider to return to school.		



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#### **Upcoming Events**

#### December

December 16—Family Lunch Munch December 16—SAC Meeting 3:20 December 17—Winter Concert, 6:00pm December 21-January 6—Winter Break

#### **January**

January 6—No school for students
January 7—Back to School
January 15—Family Lunch Munch
January 20—No school—MLK Holiday
January 21—Report cards go home

#### Volunteers and Mentors needed!!

If you are interested in upgrading your volunteer status to level 2 please call Lori-Ann at 727-547-7828 ext. 2102 or email at <a href="mailto:dipental@pcsb.org">dipental@pcsb.org</a>.





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