

RAMBLEWOOD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

RAMBLEWOOD RAMS REVIEW

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OUR MISSION IS TO INCREASE ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL STUDENT THROUGH EFFECTIVE INSTRUCTION

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Administration

Welcome back Rams! Warm greetings to our new staff, students and families. We are so proud to report that Ramblewood Elementary School has earned a "B" for the 2018-19 school year! Kudos to our students and staff on this awesome achievement. Hope everyone had a restful summer and enjoyed quality family time. We're excited to start the new school year with our theme "Dive Into Learning"! We're looking forward to making a huge splash for the 2019-20 school year, as we strive towards the "A".

Mrs. Perez – Principal Mr. Charlotin – Assistant Principal

Emergency Preparedness

Teaching children what to do in the event of different types of emergencies has always been embedded in your child's instruction. We conduct fire drills monthly and tornado drills two times a year. This year the District has mandated that "code red" lock down drills be every month. In the event of an actual emergency, Ramblewood Elementary will communicate with the school community as soon as feasibly possible using ParentLink System and Remind. To ensure that you can receive this timely communication, be sure that you keep your contact information up to date with the front office of the school.

In addition, be sure to sign up for our "Remind" notifications by texting @9h93e to 81010.

Aug. 10	Important Dates Aftercare Registration 9:00-11:00 a.m.
Aug. 13	Aftercare Registration 8:00-12:00 p.m.
Aug. 13	Meet and Greet 8:30-9:15- PreK, Kindergarten, Gr. 1, 2 9:30-10:15- Grades 3,4,5
Aug. 14	8:15 a.m. – PTO Boo Hoo Breakfast
Aug. 23	8:00- Student Pictures with Lifetouch 6:00 p.m. PTO – Ice Cream Social
Aug. 28	Open House (Gr. 3-5) 6:00-6:40 – 4 th 6:45-7:25 – 3 rd 7:30-8:10 – 5 th
Sep. 4	Open House (PreK-2) 6:00-6:40 – 1 st 6:45-7:25 – PreK/Kindergarten 7:30-8:10 – 2nd

New Ramblewood Staff

We welcome the following staff members to the Ramblewood Rams Family:

PreK Teacher - Ms. Nieves Guidance – Mrs. Schaffer SLP – Ms. Brown ESP – Ms. Godinez

K/1 Teacher – Ms. Stanley SLP - Ms. Gliem ESP – Ms. Sosner Campus Monitor – Mr. Schnapp

Cafeteria Manager – Ms. Llenas

School Hours

Our school day starts at 8:00 a.m. and ends at 2:00 p.m. Please have your children arrive to school prior to 7:55 a.m. this will ensure they are in their seats by 8:00 a.m. and ready to learn. We offer morning care at 6:45 a.m. and we start serving breakfast as early as 7:30 a.m. **Reminder** – Per Fla. State Section 1003.31 (2): Please do not drop off students prior to 7:30 a.m., as there is no supervision.

Arrival/Dismissal

Arrival Procedures:

- All students will enter the school through the designated double doors at the front entrance of the building and the west side. They will wait inside in their designated
- All side doors, back doors and gates are locked and not available for entry.
- **Please** follow the traffic flow and move forward until cars have stopped.

Dismissal Procedures:

- East Walkers: will be at their designated area by the front bike rack. Parents picking up east walkers will need to show school generated I.D. cards.
- West Walkers: will be at their designated area behind the west bike rack on the USA map. Parents picking up west walkers will need to show school generated I.D. cards.
- Car pick-up: will continue on the west side, however, school generated I.D. signs must be displayed for student safety on the dashboard or visor of the car. If I.D. sign is not visible, the driver will be required to return to the parking lot, park and go to the front office to show I.D.
- If your family requires additional I.D. signs or cards, please contact the school.

Unified Dress Code

Ramblewood Elementary has unified dress code. Students' adherence to our dress code is important in helping us identify those that belong on campus. If you would like to opt out of the unified dress code, please stop by the office to sign the waiver.

Safety and Security Updates

Maintaining a safe and secure campus is our priority. Per District protocol all perimeter gates will remain locked and manned when opened. All classroom doors and buildings also will remain locked at all times. A new campus monitor was hired to assist with campus security, thus bolstering our existing safety and security components. Additional cameras were also added to the perimeter of the campus to improve our visibility.

Attendance

Florida Statute 1003.21 states that all children between the ages of 6 to 16 are required to attend school regularly during the entire school year. Statute 1003.24 states that parents are responsible for the school attendance of their children. Parents, if your child is going to be absent, please call the attendance hotline (754) 322-8152 to report the absence. Parents are responsible for their child's regular attendance. To report an absence, visit our website under CONTACT, then select REPORT AN ABSENCE to submit an electronic form, call the attendance hotline, or deliver a note to our staff. Our goal is to have ALL students that are able to attend more than 95% of school days. Students that are absent 5% or more days may require parental interventions from school staff. **Truancy** notifications may lead to more severe penalties. Absences impact the teaching and learning for all students in the classroom. If your child must be absent for an excusable reason, please report the absence within 24 hrs. Our attendance clerk will update all absences that are reported and meet one of the reasons in the attendance policy.

Title I

Ramblewood Elementary is a Title I School, which means we get additional funds from the federal government. There are specific guidelines we must follow and funding is based on our free/reduced lunch rate. The goal of Title I is to ensure that all children obtain a high-quality education and are successful. Look for additional information to come regarding Title I.

2019-20 Evaluations

Parents interested in providing input into the performance evaluations of Ramblewood Elementary School instructional and/or administrative employee evaluations many contact our office at (754) 322-5850 by April 12, 2019.

Back to School Forms

Complete all Back-to School Forms needed on line! https://www.browardschools.com/backtoschool-onlineforms

PTO

Welcome back Rams! Please join our PTO! Your membership fee help supplement a very tight school budget. PTO purchases various resources for our school, We cannot do it without your financial support.

If you would like to volunteer to help plan or assist at any event, please reach out to our volunteer coordinator at Volunteer@ramblewoodpto.com

Please visit out website, <u>www.ramblewoodpto.com</u> to purchase T-shirts, pay for socials and find updated information.

Stay Connected

You can follow Ramblewood Elementary on the platforms listed below:

- Facebook Ramblewood Elementary PTO
- Instagram Ramblewoodelementary
- Twitter Rablewoodelem

Independence Day

In order to keep our campus safe and secure, parents will be allowed to walk their children to class on Wednesday, August 14th, the first day of school. **Beginning Thursday, August 15th, students will report to class independently or with assistance from staff members to ensure safety of all students.**

Volunteer

To volunteer or chaperone a field trip in a Broward County Public School, you must be cleared first. Please fill out the application on the link provided and make sure you do it within enough time for the application to be processed, which may take several days.

 $\underline{http://browardschools.com/getinvolved/application-note}$

Student I.D. Badges

Reminder: All students in Broward County Schools are required to wear identification badges. Each student will receive a school ID badge upon registration. If the badge is stolen, misplaced, or otherwise not accessible to the student while on campus, a replacement will be issued. Replacements will be issued up to three (3) times at no cost to the student. After 3 replacements have been issued during the school year, the student will incur a financial obligation up to \$5.00. The financial obligation shall be

handled in accordance with the district's policies, rules, and standard practice bulletins governing the collection of these funds.

Aftercare

The Ramblewood Elementary School aftercare program begins at 2:00 p.m. and closes at 6:00 p.m. There is a **family registration** fee of \$25.00. **Before care** (6:45-7:45 a.m.) has a fee of \$48.00 and \$194.00 for the **aftercare program** per period (18 days of school). In addition, an **activity fee** of \$12.00 per child, per period to cover the cost of snacks, supplies and activities. For more information, please contact **Kim Fernandez**, **Aftercare Supervisor**, at **754-322-8175**.

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Individuals with disabilities requesting accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act Amendments Act of 2008, (ADAAA) may call Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department at 754-321-2150 or Teletype Machine (TTY) 754-321-2158.