



Ramblewood Elementary School

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2017-2020 Five Star School and Golden School Award Winner

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“Providing all students with the tools for a safe, cooperative learning environment.”

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Administration

The end of the school year has arrived so quickly, and it's hard to believe the 4th quarter is already coming to an end! This is a bittersweet moment for the Ram Fam as we prepare to say goodbye to our 5th graders who will soon be moving on to middle school. We will miss our 5th grade students and their families! Parents, thank you for your unwavering support and assistance throughout the year.

Additionally, we want to remind you that iReady will be available until July 29th.

We wish everyone a safe and wonderful summer! Take the time to relax and enjoy precious moments with your families.

Ms. Ibarondo – Principal Mr. Charlotin – Assistant Principal

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 Statute Section 1003.31 (2): Please do not drop off students prior to **7:30 A.M.**, as there is no supervision.

Unified Dress Code

Ramblewood Elementary has a unified dress code. Student 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.

Arrival/Dismissal

Arrival Procedures:

- According to student’s grade level, they will enter the school through the designated double doors at the front entrance of the building or by the west side gate. They will wait inside in their designated areas.
- **All** other 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.
- **PreK students** will be dropped off and picked up at the designated PreK area (by west bike rack).

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. Please wait in one orderly line.
- **West Walkers:** will be at their designated area behind the west bike rack. Parents picking up west walkers will need to show school generated I.D. cards. Please wait in one orderly line.
- **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 please contact the school.

All dismissal changes must be called into the front office by 1:30 P.M. No early dismissal after 1:30 P.M. To be courteous, please be patient and take turns as the cars merge into one lane. Please drive slowly to keep everyone safe!

All visitors must present their ID and state the purpose of visit at single point before being admitted into the front office.

Important Dates

June 3-10 No Back Packs

Honor Roll

Jun. 6 **Primary:** 8:30 (K) 9:10 (1st) 9:30 (2nd)

Jun. 7 **Intermediate:** 8:30 (3rd) 9:10 (4th)

Jun. 10 Early Release Day – Noon Dismissal – Last Day for Students

Jun. 11 Employee Planning Day – No Students

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.

PreK

Yeah! We did it! This was such a fantastic school year; we are all so proud of our students and all of the progress they have made. To keep it going, please remember to continue to practice your letters, numbers, colors, shapes, and language skills over the summer. Have a safe, healthy and wonderful summer! See you all again in August. 😊

1st Grade

First grade is almost over and it has been a wonderful year. Our students have worked very hard all year on the skills needed to have a successful first grade experience and this quarter, we even took our end of the year STAR and Envision Assessments. With second grade right around the corner, here are a few reminders that your first-grade teachers feel will help your child keep thriving this summer.

* Remember to keep reading and practicing working with words all summer. Your child should read daily for about 15-20 minutes. The more fluent of a reader your child is the more successful they will be.

* Have your child practice writing complete sentences using proper capital and lower-case letters, as well as proper punctuation. This school year we have written narrative, opinion and informational pieces.

* Keep practicing addition and subtraction. This semester we have worked with graphing information and using the data to answer questions. We have also practiced telling time to the hour and half hour. Parents thank you very much for all your cooperation, support, and your hard work this school year. It was certainly a year for the books! Have a safe and fun summer!

3rd Grade

Our students hit it out of the park!!! They showed what they know on the F.A.S.T. PM3 and we couldn't be happier! The 23-24 school year is coming to an end, and we are so proud of our students and their accomplishments! To prevent the "summer slide" and be ready for next year's learning in 4th grade, please have your child read across various genres, including informational text to keep his/her reading skills sharp. They should continue to go on Reflex Math and practice their multiplication facts 0-12 for fluency. This is a great time for students to write about their summer activities as a way to practice writing a clear and concise multi-paragraph story. We thank all of you for your continued support this year, and we wish everyone a safe and amazing summer! 😊

5th Grade

It has been our pleasure teaching your children this school year! It is amazing how fast time flies. We want to ensure the students are ready for sixth grade. They have a long summer ahead of them, and we know, "if they don't use it, they lose it". We recommend that the students continue reading over the summer. This has been a crazy year for all of us, but we did it!!!! We hope you cherish the memories from elementary school as you make new ones as you enter the next stage of your education. We wish you all a restful and enjoyable summer vacation. Best of luck in middle school.

Kindergarten

WOOHOOO!!! We made it! We had an amazing time in kindergarten this year! We learned a lot, made new friends, and created many wonderful memories. Some suggestions to keep skills strong over the summer are: read every day, ask comprehension questions before/during/after reading, complete Lalilo.com and SuccessMaker summer lessons, review sight words, letters/sounds, and practice writing skills. We worked hard this year to get ready for first grade. Please keep skills strong over the summer to avoid the "summer slide." Have a awesome summer and READ, READ, READ!!

2nd Grade

It has been a great and exciting year in second grade! We would like to thank the second-grade families for making this year as successful as it has been. Through your dedication and willingness to work with us, we were able to tackle this year successfully. As we begin to close out our year, we ask that you continue to work on fact fluency with your scholar. This means your scholar should be able to do addition and subtraction problems 0-20 with automaticity; as well as double digit and triple digit addition and subtraction. We are extremely proud of the growth this year in reading! Please remember to keep your scholar reading throughout the summer. Daily reading will help to keep your scholar on track and prevent the "summer slide". Once again, thank you and have an awesome summer!

4th Grade

We are very proud of our students! It was a pleasure getting to know them, teach them and watch them grow. Our fourth graders met this year's challenges and they thrived. To avoid the "summer slide", your children should be reading for a minimum of thirty minutes a day, both fiction and non-fiction. Thanks to all who supported our hard work this year, and we wish everyone a safe and fabulous summer vacation.

Guidance

As of the end of the year approaches, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing us to work with your students in meeting their social and emotional needs. We hope you all have a restful, relaxing summer filled with laughs, love, and many adventures. We are looking forward to seeing you all next school year!

Ms. Schaffer and Ms. Dodge

ESE Specialist

Here are some tips to think about as the school year winds down:

1. Evaluate & Review

The end of the school year is a great time to evaluate what strategies and approaches worked well so that these can be maintained in the next school year.

2. Plan Retention Activities

Find out if your child's present teacher has any recommendations for activities that can help maintain and practice skills that will be beneficial for the next school year. This can include skills to increase independence and social skills.

3. Break out a social story or video

You could write a social story or make a small video that your child can watch in the summer to help them prepare for next school year.

4. Make a countdown calendar

Create a countdown calendar for the last couple of weeks of school. Some children will be anxious about the upcoming change in routine. Children may not be able to verbally express this, however, they will be able to sense the upcoming changes. The schedule may not be as consistent as it was during the school year, which may be confusing for your child.

5. Schedule Playdates with familiar faces

Talk to other parents of your child's classmates to find out if there is interest to get together over the summer for play dates. This is a great way to help your child have opportunities to build and strengthen relationships with classmates outside of school.

6. Prepare for summer school/camp

If you are planning to send your child to summer school or camp contact the camp program staff to find out more information about the daily schedule and activities. This is so you can prepare your child each morning before camp (i.e. verbally, visual schedules, social stories). Pass on any strategies or information that would be important for the staff to know and can ensure that your child has a great time at camp.

7. Plan a daily schedule

If camp is not part of the summer plan, think of other ways to create some activities for your child. This is especially important if your child has limited and restricted interests. They may settle into routines of playing video games or watching television for long periods of time. This may result in more challenging habits to break when it comes time to transition back to school in August. Setting up other activities helps to break up the time and to give your child new experiences.

Summer is a time for your child to enjoy himself/herself and to get a break from the academic expectations that come from the school year. I hope that these tips can help the school year end on a successful note and ease your child into a fun-filled summer.

SRO

Summer is here, and these are safety tips for the summer:

1. Stay hydrated, drink plenty of water/liquid.
2. Protect your skin. Apply sunscreen before sun exposure.
3. Never swim alone or make sure there is supervision.
4. When in the car, never leave any child unattended.
5. When playing outside use bug spray when possible.

Remember, SAFETY comes first. Have a wonderful summer.

Officer Ventura

Literacy Coach's Corner

Summer Reading Ideas

It's important that children continue to read during the summer to prevent the summer slide. The summer slide occurs when students return to school after summer break and have lost some of the knowledge that they gained the previous school year.

It's a good idea to develop a summer reading plan. With a little preparation, summer reading can be a lot of fun!

Here are some ideas:

Create a summer reading calendar. You can do this by printing out a blank weekly calendar page and involving your child in selecting and writing down the titles of the books you plan to read on selected days.

Pair their favorite activities and interests with books. One example would be to read about the animals found at our local zoo, then plan a visit to the zoo. Another example would be to read a fiction book and re-create something from the story. For example, if the character likes drawing, you can plan a fun afternoon of drawing activities. Another example is if the character likes a certain color, you pick an outfit that same color, then design and make a meal featuring foods that color.

Have fun reading this summer!

Mrs. Stone

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. The district mandates that we conduct lockdown drills on a regular basis. In the event of an actual emergency, Ramblewood Elementary will communicate with the school community as soon as feasibly possible using The ParentLink System. To ensure that you can receive this timely communication, please keep your contact information up to date with the front office of the school.

FOCUS Portal

The **Focus Parent Portal account** gives families convenient and secure access to their student's school information, including school grades, attendance, interim reports, report cards, and more, anytime and anywhere. Register for the Focus Parent Portal at **browardschools.com/focus**.

Aftercare Corner

Happy June,
Ram Fam, I wish all of you a wonderful summer! Registration for the 2024-25 school year will begin on July 15th at 10:00 A.M. Please apply online at www.bascbroward.com.

Mrs. Fernandez

PTO

Have an awesome summer. We will have 10% off Tuesdays on our webstore starting on June 18th.

PTO Volunteer

Ramblewood Elementary PTO
RamblewoodElementaryPTO@gmail.com

Before and After School Child Care - 2024-25

Registration Fee- \$30.00 per child
Before care (6:45-7:30 a.m.) **\$47.00** per period.
Aftercare (2:00-6:00P.M.) **\$253.00** per period.
Activity Fee \$7.00 per child, per period.
Each pay period is every **18 days** of school.

For additional information, please contact **Kim Fernandez, Aftercare Supervisor, at 754-322-8175.**

Back to School Forms

Complete all Back-to School Forms needed on-line!

<https://www.browardschools.com/BTS>

Lunch applications for Title I purposes -

<http://www.myschoolapps.com/>

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.

Lunch

Parents,
Please have your child bring their lunch when they arrive in the morning to minimize classroom disruptions. If your child forgets to bring a lunch, please bring it by 8:30 A.M. We understand that mistakes and/or situations occur!

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 always remain locked. We have two campus monitors that conduct campus walkthroughs throughout the day to ensure campus security.

All visitors must present their ID and state the purpose of visit at single point before being admitted into the front office.

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.

<http://browardschools.com/getinvolved/application-note>



2023-24 Evaluations

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

Student I.D. Badges

Reminder: All students in Broward County Schools are required to wear identification badges. Each student will receive a school I.D. badge upon registration. If the badge is misplaced, or otherwise not accessible to the student while on campus, a replacement will be issued.

Reminder: The I.D. badge must be worn while students are on the school campus. At the end of the school day, the badges must be returned to the classroom teachers. Students in our aftercare are also issued separate student I.D. badges, which must be returned when they sign out to go home.

Stay Connected

You can follow Ramblewood Elementary on the platforms listed below:

- **Facebook – Ramblewood Elementary PTO**
- **Instagram – Ramblewoodelementary**
- **X – Ramblewoodelem**

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