

Ramblewood Elementary School

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

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Administration

Yippie, we are just a few weeks away from Spring Break! This means 3rd quarter will be coming to an end soon. The school year is rapidly flying by. Parents, please continue to encourage your children to apply the academic skills that they are learning in language arts, mathematics, and science as this practice will be crucial as they enter the crunch time stretch that will lead to their final assessments.

We would like to thank all the parents who attended our Honor Roll Assemblies, Kindergarten Round Up, PTO Bingo Night, and Black History Showcase. Our fourth-grade students were well behaved as they enjoyed their end of the year field trip at Sea World, Orlando. A big thank you to all the fourth-grade teachers and other staff members who made this field a successful one.

We look forward to seeing our RAM Fam at the various upcoming events we have planned for this month. Parents, please stay informed of all upcoming events by reading the section below titled "Important Dates". We wish everyone a wonderful Spring Break!

Ms. Ibarrondo – Principal Mr. Charlotin – Assistant Principal

<u>Important Dates</u>					
Mar. 10-14	Spring Scholastic Book Fair				
Mar. 11-12	Mid-Year Science Assessment – Part 2				
Mar. 12	Spring Scholastic Book Fair Family Night 6:00-7:30 P.M.				
Mar. 14	End of 3 rd Quarter Animal Kingdom Field Trip – Gr. 5 – 5:00 A.M.				
Mar. 17	Start of 4 th Quarter				
Mar. 19	Miracle Ranch – Kindergarten Field Trip SAC/SAF Meeting				
Mar. 21	Employee Planning Day – No Students				
Mar. 24-31	Spring Break – No School				

Student Emergency Contact Card

Parents please be aware that the Student Emergency Contact Card will be the only form accepted as consent for students to receive care for illness/injury and/or to receive specified health screenings during the school day. Students will be unable to receive care for illness/injury in the clinic and/or receive specified health screenings without the Health Services Consent section completed in its entirety.

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.** <u>Reminder</u> - 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.

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 <u>must</u> be displayed for student safety on the dashboard or visor of the car. If I.D. sign is not <u>visible</u>, the driver will be <u>required</u> 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! The speed limit in the car loop is 5 miles per hour.

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

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.

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.

Guidance

Greetings from the Guidance Department:

As we continue to focus on Life Skills and Wellness, March will be a month where we prepare our students for the upcoming testing season. We will teach students how to have a growth mindset and how to manage their nerves so they can focus and do their best. Additionally, we will review testing rules and best practices so students will feel confident in their abilities on testing day!

Mrs. Dodge

ESE Specialist

Summer is around the corner, parents!

Please see information below for a summer camp option for our special needs families.

Kamp Kool - Special Populations Camp - Coral Springs

An active camp designed for children and teens (ages 6-13) with special needs. Swimming, games, arts and crafts, sports, on-site entertainment, and more await your child. Ratio 5:1. All participants must be self-sufficient in bath rooming, eating, and changing in and out of swimsuits.

Dates: June 16 - July 25Times: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

• Cost: \$779.82

• Location: Mullins Hall

Register Online

Residents: March 17-31(*Proof of residency will be required prior to acceptance into Kamp Kool*)

Non-residents: Opens April 1(*Based upon availability*)

Contact: <u>954-345-2200</u>

Mrs. Dunn

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.

Aftercare Corner

Happy March! Wishing everyone a wonderful Spring Break! Parents, just a reminder that Before and Aftercare registration is available online at www.basccbroward.com. Spots are limited and are available on a first come, first serve basis. If you have any questions, please email me at, Kimberly.j.fernandez@browardschools.com or call 754-322-8175.

Mrs. Fernandez

Literacy Coach's Corner

"March"ing into Spring!

March is here, and with it comes a host of exciting activities! From St. Patrick's Day to Women's History Month, Dr. Seuss Week, and Spring Break—there's so much to look forward to. Each of these events offers a great opportunity to incorporate reading for fun. Parents, continue to encourage your child(ren) to explore a variety of texts. Students can check out books in our media center, read online, visit the library, or even purchase a great new read.

We've also seen more students making strides toward meeting their weekly i-Ready goals, and it's been wonderful to see so many eager learners coming to the media center in the mornings to work on lessons. Remember: Practice makes progress!

Wishing everyone a fun, safe, and relaxing spring break!

~Ms. Feurtado

<u>PTO</u>

March is already here. Thank you to everyone that came out for Bingo Family Night last month. It was a huge success! We will have our spring book fair March 10 through the 14th and the kids will shop during their media specials. We are in need of volunteers so if you are available, please reach out to the PTO. We are gearing up for our Read-A-Thon which will run the whole month of April so stay tuned for more details. Have an amazing spring break everyone!

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

PTO Volunteer

Ramblewood Elementary PTO

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Spring Break Safety.

- 1. Be aware of your surroundings anywhere you go.
- 2. Stay away from big crowds.
- 3. At night, do not walk on the streets with no lights.
- 4. Do not talk to strangers.
- 5. If home alone, do not answer the door. Notify your parents when someone is at the door.
- 6. At home, keep items away from doors in case of emergency.
- 7. If at the beach, do not go in the water alone.
- 8. At the beach, if in the water, do not get complacent.

ENJOY YOUR SPRING BREAK.

Officer Ventura

Before and After School Child Care - 2024-25

Ramblewood Elementary School offers a safe, fun, and engaging before and after school program.

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.

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.

Stay Connected

You can follow Ramblewood Elementary on the platforms listed below:

- Facebook Ramblewood Elementary PTO
- Instagram Ramblewoodelementary
- X Ramblewoodelem



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 email eeo@browardschools.com.

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.

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

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.

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The School Board of Broward County, Florida, prohibits any policy or procedure which results in discrimination on the basis of age, color, disability, gender identity, gender expression, genetic information, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation. The School Board also provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Individuals who wish to file a discrimination and/or harassment complaint may call the Director, Equal Educational Opportunities/ADA Compliance Department & District's Equity Coordinator/Title IX Coordinator at 754-321-2150 or email eeo@browardschools.com.