#### **RAYMOND B. STEWART MIDDLE SCHOOL**

#### **SEPTEMBER 10, 2020**

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## Principal's Message

Hello Bulldog families!

I want to thank everyone for helping our school focus on student safety by using the health screener each day. As a reminder, if a student comes to school, and they have a fever, or they have vomited, or are feeling nauseous, etc. they will be required to go home 10 days for isolation. If you take your child to see the doctor, and he provides a diagnosis, then your child can return to school once they are cleared by the school nurse. If you are not sure if your child should go to school, I would recommend using caution and keep them home.

We continue to follow precautions for student and staff safety that include directional/ one-way hallways, cleaning supplies in every classroom/work area, social distancing, masks/face barriers worn at all times, Public Service Announcements (in this newsletter, on the daily School Announcements, and more), hand sanitizer all over campus, and more.

We will continue to navigate these challenges and we will have a GREAT year! We are resilient. We are committed. We are determined. We are Bulldog STRONG!

Shae Davis RBSMS Principal

## Student Screener

Pasco County Schools expects that all parents/ guardians will complete this pre-entry <u>Student Screener</u> *daily* on behalf of their child before the child attends schools.



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## Welcome RBSMS SAC Members

Congratulations to the following individuals, they will be serving as members of the RBSMS School Advisory Council.

- Amanda Hawk Sabrina Lauture Lynette Washburn Sheri Risner Lisa Clark Kelly Levenson Shelley Schefke Casey Butcher
- Alison Scheuerman Alysha Cunningham Princess Wainwright Irene Carrillo Devin Alexander Lori Davis Todd Vanderberg Benjamin Aguilar

## Student Flu Clinic

Pasco County Schools has established a partnership with *Health Heroes* to implement a flu vaccine program for all students this year. Especially during the COVID-19 pandemic, it is critical for our school communities to take advantage of this program designed to prevent influenza



#### **CONGRATULATIONS BULLDOGS!**

The Florida Department of Education has awarded your school the 2019 - 2020 Golden School Awards. Congratulations to our staff, school community and especially Lynette Washburn, for supporting the School Volunteer Program.

illness and reduce absenteeism. We plan to offer no cost flu vaccine to all students on October **5** - **8**. *This program is voluntary*. Only children with consent forms signed and completed by the parent/guardian will be vaccinated. Consent forms will be given to students to take home 2 - 3 weeks before the scheduled date. Information will be provided to parents via district website, social media and messaging. More information to come for RBSMS dates.

### New Procedures for Reporting an Absences:

As we move towards creating a seamless transition between virtual and traditional students, we have developed new procedures for reporting absences. We have a link on the right side of the school webpage (<u>https://rbsms.pasco.k12.fl.us/</u>) that reads "Report an Absence". If you click on that link, you simply will complete the Mach Form with the requested information, then hit submit.

This is particularly helpful for our online students who may need to check out early from their classes. Rather than receiving an unexcused absence, parents can submit the form, provide an explanation, and include the periods your child will be absent. Our Data Entry Operator will then be able to code the absence excused.



# MAP Growth Assessment from NWEA

All Bulldogs will take a MAP® Growth<sup>™</sup> test from NWEA® on a computer or tablet. MAP Growth scores help teachers check student performance by measuring achievement and growth. Teachers use results to tailor classroom lessons and set goals for students. ALL Wildcats 6-8 grade will participate in the NWEA MAP for Science, Math, and ELA three times this school year. This assessment is for our Brick & Mortar Bulldogs as well as mySchool Online (MSO) Bulldogs. The first window is now through September 15th.

MAP Growth tests are unique and adapt to your child's responses to measure your child's skill level. If your child answers a question correctly, the next question is more challenging. If they answer incorrectly, the next one is easier. These results will provide a more complete picture of what your child knows and is ready to learn—whether it is on, above, or below their grade level.

We are truly excited to focus on your child's individual growth and achievement. For more information about MAP Growth, visit <u>NWEA.org/familytoolkit</u>.

# Bulldog Spirit J-Shirt

Spirit Shirts are available for purchase for \$10.00. Log on to your Parent Portal in MyStudent and go to Pay Fees and you can pay by credit card. Tee shirts will be delivered to students during their 4<sup>th</sup> hour class.



## SAVE THE DATE: FRIDAY, SEPT. 18 RBSMS PICTURE DAY

Check out the link on our school webpage for information about our fall picture day. Traditional students will be scheduled throughout the day during their Social Studies class. Students enrolled in the RBSMS myStudent Online program will have pictures schedules after school in the Media Center from 3:45 - 5:00 pm.



#### 2020 – 2021 RBSMS YEARBOOKS

The 2020 - 2021 yearbook is available for purchase. Parents can login to their parent portal in myStudent, and go to Pay Fees.

We are selling yearbooks now through January 30, 2021, for \$30.00. After that date, the price will increase.



# Athletics Kick Off on September 8

Football, Volleyball, and Cheerleading tryouts begin on Tuesday, September 8th. In order to participate, students must have all the required paperwork completed. Interested students should go to the school webpage, look under the athletics tab (top of the page), then find the sport they are interested in. Details about tryouts, and contact information for coaches are listed for each sport.

# COVID Protocols for Athletic Events in the Gym

- Spectators should not enter an event if they are feeling ill or have been in close contact with someone with COVID-19.
- Spectators **must** wear a face mask/ covering at all times.
- Spectators are restricted from direct competition areas and from visiting with student-athletes, personnel before, during, and after events.
- Spectators **must not** congregate in walkways, hallways, or common traffic areas.
- Spectators should <u>always</u> practice physical distancing with those outside of their direct family parties.

## mySchool Online Parent/Student FAQ's:

#### Do students have to have to login to ZOOM each class period?

- Yes, the mySchool online platform is a learning model designed to students to interact with teachers each class period. The teacher is providing instruction each day and providing supports for students.
- For more help watch this quick "How to get into my classes and ZOOM": <u>http://somup.com/</u> <u>cYQeVoX2qp</u>

#### Do students have to have ZOOM cameras on at all times?

Yes, for security and engagement they have to have their camera on the entire time the teacher is providing instruction.

## If a student leaves needs to leave a zoom session early are they absent absent? What do I do if my student must miss a ZOOM class period?

- If there is a valid reason for the student showing up late or leaving early, parents should go to our school website and fill out the "Report an Absence" <u>mach form on the website</u>.
- The notification will go to the office staff and they will mark the attendance appropriately in myStudent.

## If a student is not showing up for zoom but is submitting work in myLearning are they considered present?

No, for students to be marked present they have to be in the zoom meetings the entire duration of instructional delivery.

mySchool Online (MSO) is a synchronous platform where the student must log in everyday to each period <u>not asynchronous</u> like fourth quarter or Pasco eSchool.



# PBIS Rewards for MySchool Online Students



Once points have been awarded by your online teachers, that you would like to spend, go to the PBIS Rewards Student Login <u>https://student.pbisrewards.com/login.php</u> or the Student App and view our school store, to purchase products with your points.

Just a few of our store products include, but are not limited to:

- Scrunchies
- Pop-sockets
- Lie-dye T-shirt Kit
- Puffy paint T-shirt Kit
- Books

- Notebooks
- 🗳 Football
- Basketballs
- Spirit Shirts
- Clip-on Ring Light

Once you've made a purchase, someone at the school will gather your items for a pick-up. We will have two pick-up dates each quarter for our MySchool Online students. Quarter 1 pick-up dates and times are as follows:

- ▲ Monday, September 14<sup>th</sup> 2020 (3:30 5:00 pm)
- ✿ Tuesday, October 20<sup>th</sup> 2020 (3:30 − 5:00 pm)



