



## Welcome to Week 12

Welcome to the month of November! Our Teddy Bears will learn all about “*Gratitude*”, feeling thankful about family and friends, and showing thankfulness to others! As a reminder, **school is closed for students on Tuesday, November 7th for Caregiver/Teacher Conferences.** Please communicate with your teacher to select a conference time ASAP. Forms were sent home last week, make sure you have submitted it back to your child’s teacher.

As we consider what to be thankful for, I must share that I am very thankful for all of you. We are making great progress with our Attendance goal for the year, reducing chronic absenteeism by 20% from last school year. Thank you for ensuring our Teddy Bears arrive to school ***on time, every day!*** Please review the November Edition of the Counselors' Corner which speaks more to our Attendance expectation and celebrations!

The Southside Schools are hosting a block party on ***Saturday, November 18, 2023.*** Please mark your calendars and plan to join OGBES and feeder schools as we celebrate our communities and each other for the month of Gratitude!

Let’s make it a great week to Learn, Love, and Grow @ the Grove!

Principal Draper

## Report Cards

Go Home  
**Wednesday  
November 8th**

**Are you a P.O.P. Star?** If you were in attendance and signed the attendance sheets (paper or electronic) at any of our school events so far, you are automatically registered as a “**Partner of the Principal!**” I appreciate the support you have shown for OGBES, and want to acknowledge your participation in our many events this year. Your name will be entered for each event you attended into this Friday’s drawing for a gift card. Stay tuned!

RPS RICHMOND  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS

# SOUTHSIDE BLOCK PARTY

November 18 / 11 am - 2 pm  
THOMAS C. BOUSHALL MIDDLE SCHOOL  
3400 Hopkins Road

*Join Southside area schools for a day of family fun!*

Join us for music, food and opportunities to connect with school leaders,  
teachers, community partners and resources!

Broad Rock ES | J.H. Blackwell ES | J.H. Blackwell Preschool | Thomas C. Boushall MS  
Richmond High School of the Arts | Oak Grove-Bellemeade ES | Summer Hill Preschool

**SAVE THE DATE**

RPS ESCUELAS PÚBLICAS  
DE RICHMOND

# FIESTA VECINAL

**PARA LA PARTE SURE DE RICHMOND**

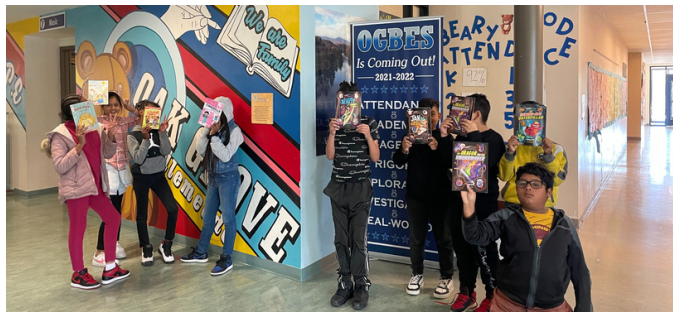
18 de noviembre / 11 am - 2 pm  
ESCUELA INTERMEDIA THOMAS C. BOUSHALL  
3400 Hopkins Road

*Únase a las escuelas de la parte sur de Richmond para pasar un día de diversión familiar*

¡Únase a nosotros para disfrutar de música, comida y oportunidades para conectarse con  
líderes escolares, maestros/as, socios comunitarios y recursos!

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## TEACHER OF THE YEAR! MS. BRYANT

**School Hours:**  
7:45 - 2:40 PM

**Doors OPEN:**  
7:30 am

**Office Closes**  
daily @2:10 pm  
**No Early**  
**Dismissal after**  
**2:10 pm** as we  
prepare for the  
**2:40 dismissal**

CONGRATS

OGBES Teddy Bears  
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Congratulations to the OGBES Teacher of the Year Ms. Eunique Bryant! #WeAreRPS  
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