



Welcome to Richland Elementary School

We are honored you chose us as
your school community





INTRODUCTIONS



Office Team:

Jenna Sloan - Principal
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Beth Cassandro - School Nurse
bcassandro@pinerichland.org

Amy Molitor - School Counselor
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Gina Hoffman - Building Secretary
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 **Marcy Russell - Building Secretary**
mrussell@pinerichland.org



Ms. Jenna Sloan

RES Principal

K-6 Elementary Teaching Certificate - Lebanon Valley College

K-12 Special Education Teaching Certificate - Lebanon Valley College

K-12 Principal Certificate - Penn State University - Middletown Campus

Master's Degree in Curriculum & Instruction - Penn State University

Middletown Campus

Teaching History:

CAIU - Autistic Support Classroom K-5

Susquehanna Township School District - Learning Support/8th grade

English Teacher

Administration History:

Susquehanna Township School District - Assistant Principal @ MS and Elementary Level

West York Area School District - Principal Elementary School

July 2020 - Became the Principal @ Richland Elementary PRSD



My Goals as Principal:

- Best equip our incredibly dedicated educators to provide high quality instructional and learning experiences for our students in nurturing environments where students can thrive and grow
- Build trust with students and families that yield positive and productive relationships
- Communicate effectively the policies, procedures and expectations of the building and district
- Exhibit fiscal responsibility that supports students and the community and requires collaboration with PTO and the community



Mrs. Amy Molitor

School Counselor

Counseling Office Information



- Individual Counseling
- Group Counseling
- Classroom Lessons
- Educational Support - MTSS
- RAMS Way

Mrs. Beth Cassandro Certified School Nurse Healthroom Information



Contact Information



Health Office Hours
Monday through Friday
8:30 am to 4:15 pm
724-443-1558, Ext. 4805

bcassandro@pinerichland.org

PR Website
“At Your Service”
“Health Services”

Office Secretaries:

Mrs. Gina Hoffman
12 month secretary
General building
needs
Extension 4802



Mrs. Marcy Russell
10 month secretary
Focus on
attendance
Extension 4801





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Structure of the Session:

Parents/Guardians:

- Informational Session - Auditorium
- Tour of the Building

Students:

- Get to know you activities with Mrs. Molitor
- Tour of the Building

Richland Elementary School <<click here

- A K-3 Public School serving students in the Gibsonia area
- Home to approximately 475 students in kindergarten through third grade
- Richland is the former PRSD High School, which is why we have many of our amenities (track/field, auditorium, tennis courts, softball/baseball fields, etc.)
- Class size typically ranges from approximately 18-25 students
- Typical number of homeroom teachers (K-3) is approximately 21-23
 - usually 5-6 sections per grade level
- Approximately 35-40 additional staff members, including the office staff, nurses, School counselor, special education teachers, reading specialists, intervention specialist, special area teachers, speech pathologist, occupational therapist, physical therapist, para-educators, cafeteria staff, and custodial staff

**High School
Grades 9-12**



Eden Hall Grades 4-6



**MIDDLE SCHOOL
GRADES 7-8**



**Richland
Grades K-3**



**Hance
Grades K-3**



**Wexford
Grades K-3**



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Your Grade Level Teams:

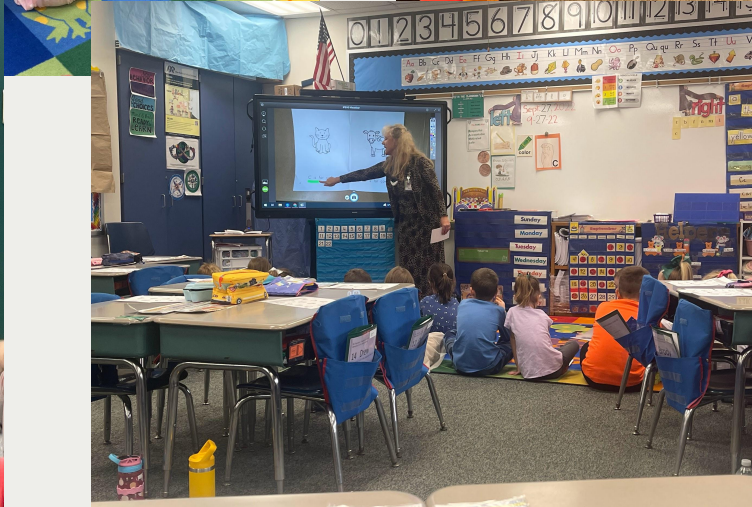
Mrs. Becky Fickes

Mrs. Janel Kilpela

Mrs. Patty Kuremsky



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Your Grade Level Teams:

Mrs. Lauren Aiello

Mrs. Bonnie Alessi

Mrs. Madeline Anderson

Mrs. Brandy Cox

Mrs. Paula Ferris

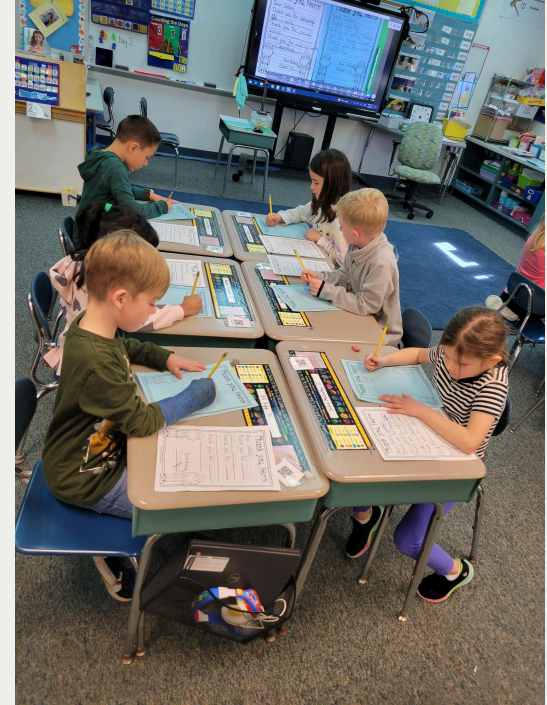
Mr. Hackworth

Mrs. Erica Savannah

WELCOME TO
first grade!



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Your Grade Level Teams:

Mrs. Tracy Hanna

Mrs. Stephanie Jewart

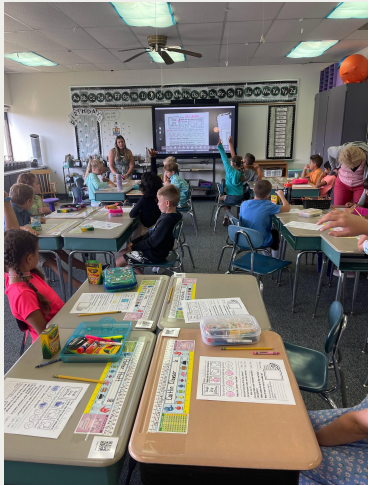
Mr. Todd Murphy

Mrs. Lisa Sciulli

Mrs. Misty Smith

Welcome to
SECOND GRADE

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Your Grade Level Teams:

Miss Brittany Boss

Mrs. Staci Dylewski

Mrs. Jen Fulford

Mr. Brian Sauers

Miss Angela Seman

Mrs. Kirsten Zimmerman



WELCOME

to 3rd grade!

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PROCEDURES



Daily Schedule

Daily Schedule

- Arrival 9:00 am – 9:20 am
- Instructional Day Begins 9:20am
- Dismissal 3:45pm (car & bus riders & Stepping Stones)

KINDERGARTEN THROUGH THIRD GRADE

9:00-9:15 a.m.	Doors Open - Students Arrive
9:15 a.m.	Warning Bell Rings
9:20 a.m.	Instructional Day Begins
12:00 p.m.	Dismissal Begins for AM Kindergarten
1:05 p.m.	Instructional Day Begins – PM Kindergarten
3:40 p.m.	Instructional Day Ends
3:45 p.m.	Dismissal Begins K-3
3:55-4:10 p.m.	Buses Depart

Kindergarten 2-Hour Delay Schedule

Morning Session: 11:20 a.m. - 1:05 p.m.

Afternoon Session: 2:05 p.m. - 3:50 p.m.



Bus Information

- Dismissal:
- Inform your child's teacher how your child will typically get home - bus (pm only) or car rider
- If there is a change on a particular day, please send a note in your child's folder AND email the teacher AND secretaries
- This is only needed if it is a change in your child's regular transportation



Bus Information

- Look for transportation information for your child.
- We will go over expectations for all students on the bus the first day of school. We follow RAMS Way behaviors on the school bus.



Delays, Cancellations, or Learning from Home

- Kindergarten 2-Hour Delay Schedule:
 - AM session - 11:15-1:00
 - PM session - 2:05-3:45

- Information:
 - PR-TV
 - www.pinerichland.org
 - Local TV
 - Pine-Richland Twitter or Facebook



Security

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- Safety Procedures

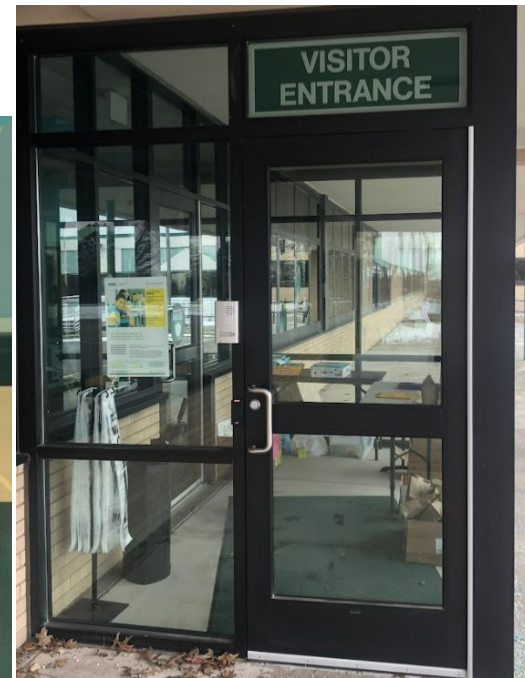
- Building locked
- Ring bell to enter
- Must sign-in with license and have a visitor's badge (ID)
- Office staff will get your child

- Early Dismissal

- Send a written note or email
- Ring bell to speak to front office secretaries - Office staff will get your child

- Odds and Ends

- Backpacks labeled
- Written excuse when absent - upload to Sapphire
- Written note for any change in dismissal i.e. riding home with a friend via car or bus.



Policies and Regulations to Know (clickable links):

- [Academic Calendar](#)
- [Attendance](#) - 10 parent excused days per school year, includes educational trips (approved vacations) and sick days without a medical note
- [Sign Up for Communications](#) and [HERE](#)
- [Community Web Portal](#) - for access to grades and records in Sapphire; if you need help, EMAIL: communityportal@pinerichland.org
- [Discipline Code](#)
- [Food Service](#)
- [Student Handbooks](#)

Policies and Regulations to Know (clickable links):

- [RAMS Way](#)
- [Stepping Stones](#) - Key partner that provides programming before and after school as well as the half day opposite your child's kindergarten half day. We are separate entities, but they do operate in our building for convenience to families. Registration for PRSD opens 6/12 and is first come first served.
- [Volunteers](#)

**All Links Originated from the "[AT YOUR SERVICE](#)" Directory of the district website where more information is linked!

Stretch Break:

Your goal is to meet someone new and possibly even exchange numbers to build your new network here at Richland Elementary School!

When the video concludes, please return to your seats!



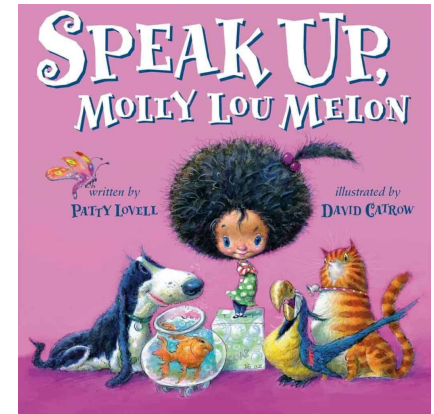
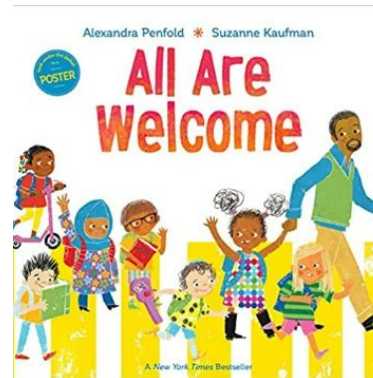
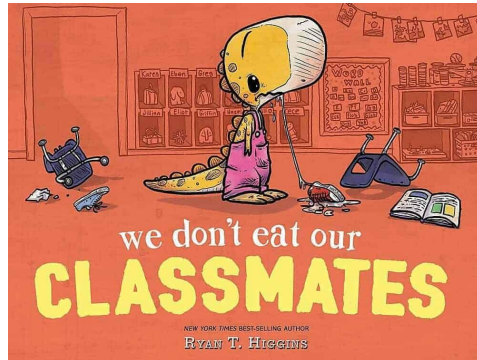
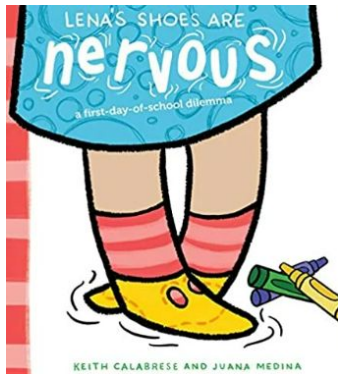
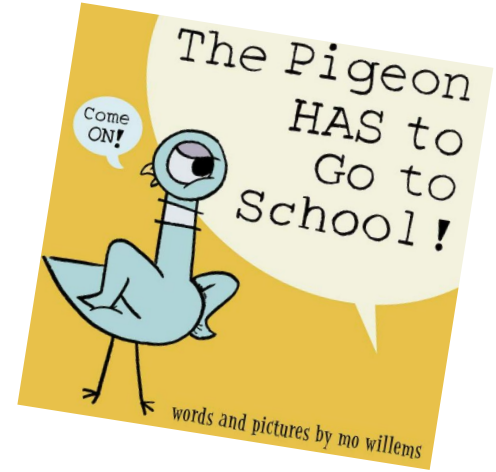
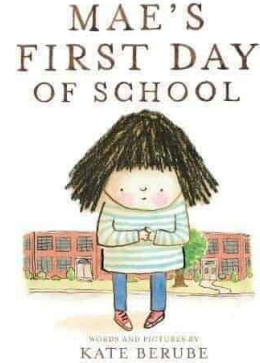
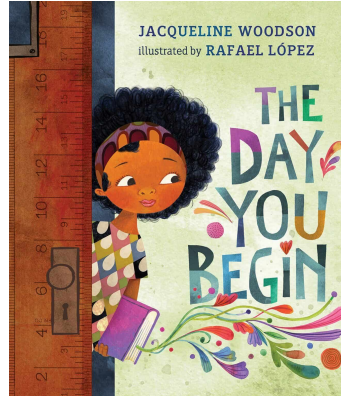


CURRICULUM



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Children's Literature about New Schools & Back to School



What is Phonemic Awareness?

Phonemic awareness is the ability to understand that spoken words are made up of individual sounds called phonemes, and it's one of the best early predictors for reading success. (Heggerty - click [HERE](#))



Literacy - grade K-2

What is Phonics?

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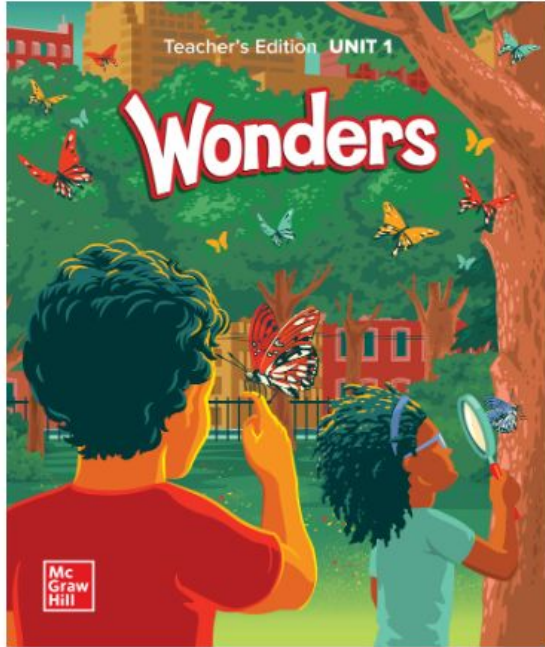
- The relationship between the letters (graphemes) of written language and the individual sounds (phonemes) of spoken language. This is called the alphabetic principle.
- Using the letter-sound pairings to sound out printed words.
- The understanding that there are systematic and predictable relationships between written letters and spoken sounds.

Click [HERE](#) to read more about our resource, 95% Group



The National Reading Panel

Literacy - grade K-2

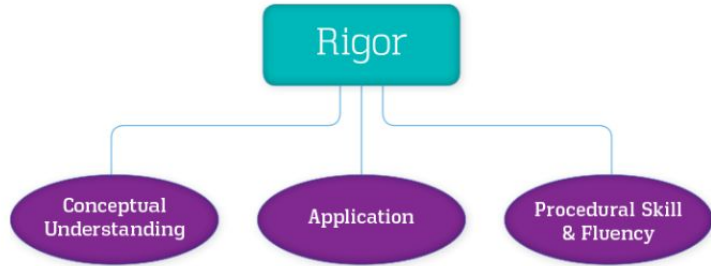


- The English Language Arts program encompasses the areas of reading, writing, language, spelling, and speaking. Students are involved in activities beginning in Kindergarten that are designed to help them explore their interests, share their experiences, and develop a lifelong love of reading.

Literacy - grades K-3

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K-5 Resources: McGraw Hill – My Math Freckle



Units of Study:

- Unit 1: Counting and Cardinality
- Unit 2: Operations and Algebraic Thinking
- Unit 3: Numbers and Operations in Base 10
- Unit 4: Geometry
- Unit 5: Measurement and Data
- Unit 6: Calendar Math

Math



Made for Student Success

Built around the Standards for Mathematical Practices, *McGraw-Hill My Math* engages students with the focus, coherence and rigor required by state standards. The program has an intuitive lesson format and digital tools to develop customized content. Digital accessibility with any device help you to plan, sequence, and deliver instruction that works best for your students anytime, anywhere.

Special Area Classes - grade 1-3

Library – 40 minutes/5 day cycle

Art – 40 minutes/5 day cycle

Music– 40 minutes/5 day cycle

Computer – 40 minutes/5 day cycle

PE – 40 minutes/5 day cycle & an additional 30 minutes/5 day cycle



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Student Learning

RAM Time

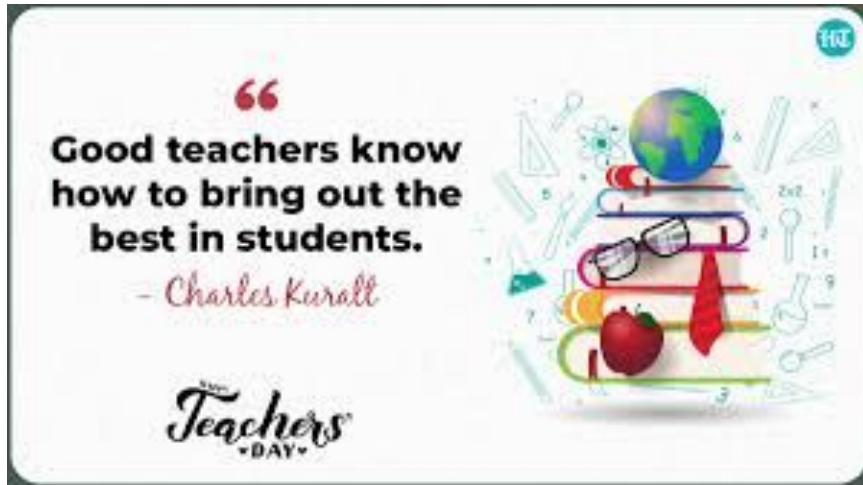
- “Reading and Math”
- Common intervention and enrichment time
- 30-40 minutes
- Supplemental to core instruction from curriculum



Assessments

- Informal and Formal Assessments
 - Throughout the year
 - Progress Reports quarterly (9 weeks)
 - STAR 360 Early Literacy

- Early Literacy Assessment
 - Letter Identification
 - Letters as Sound Symbols
 - Initial Medial & Ending Sounds
 - Phonemic Awareness
 - Alphabetic Principle



STAR 360



RAMS WAY & MTSS



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RAMS Way:

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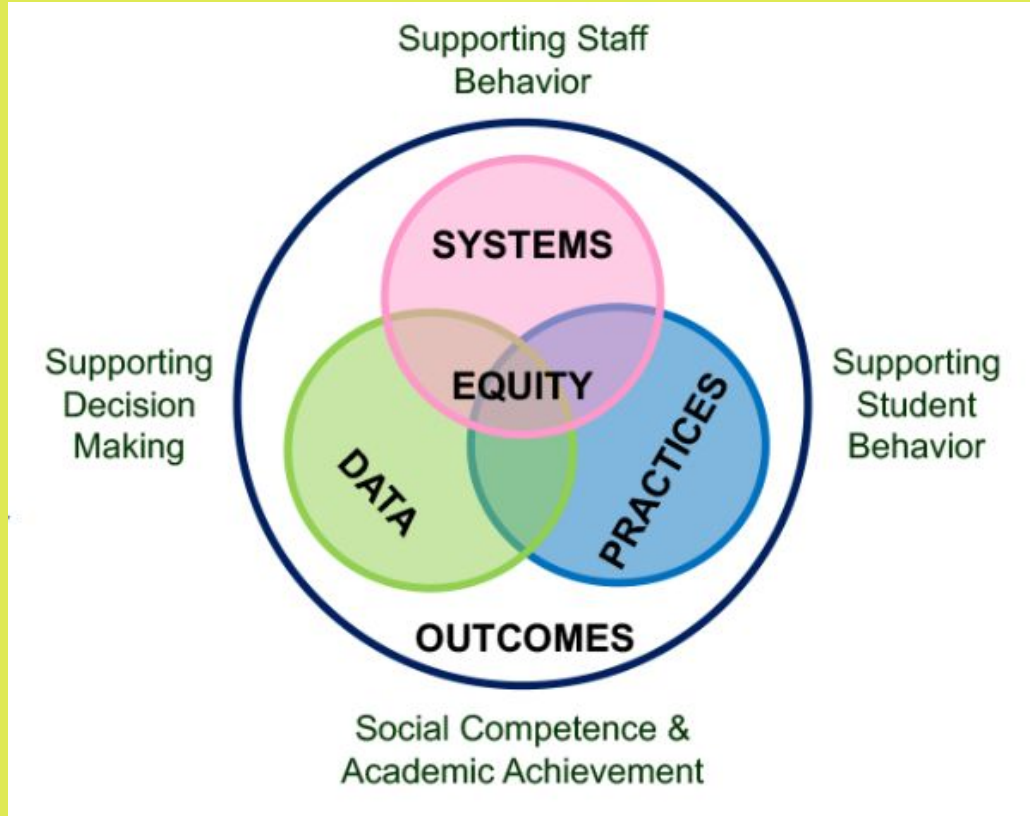
The RAMS Way

RESPECTFUL
ACCOUNTABLE
MOTIVATED
SAFE

A faint, light green illustration of a ram's head with large, curved horns, positioned behind the text of the RAMS Way acronym.

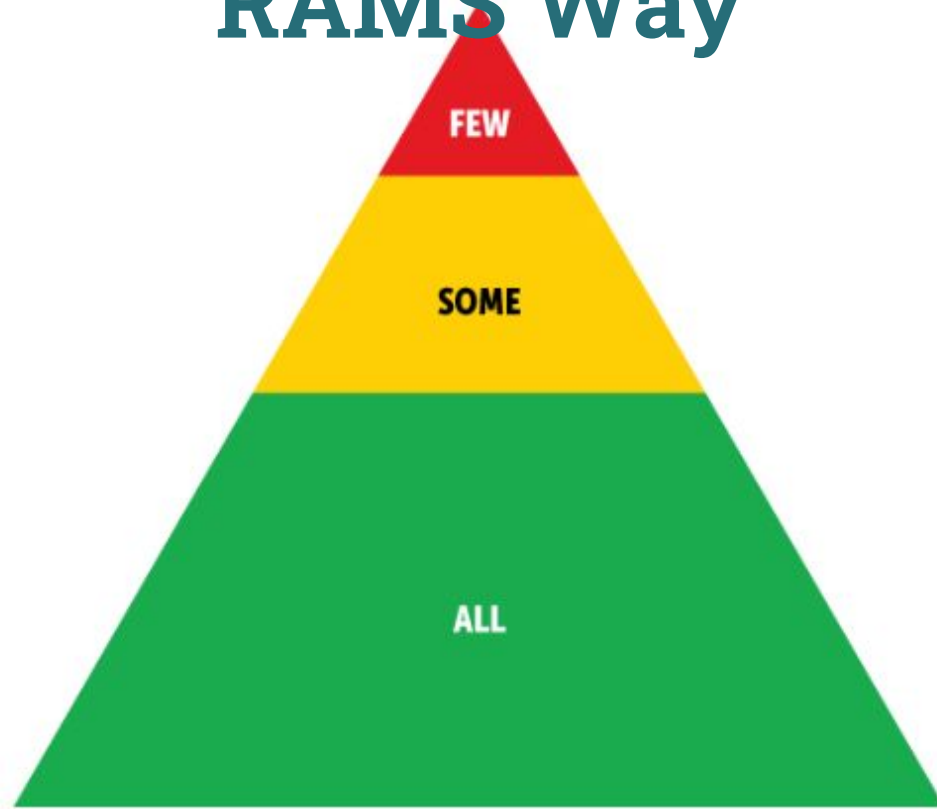


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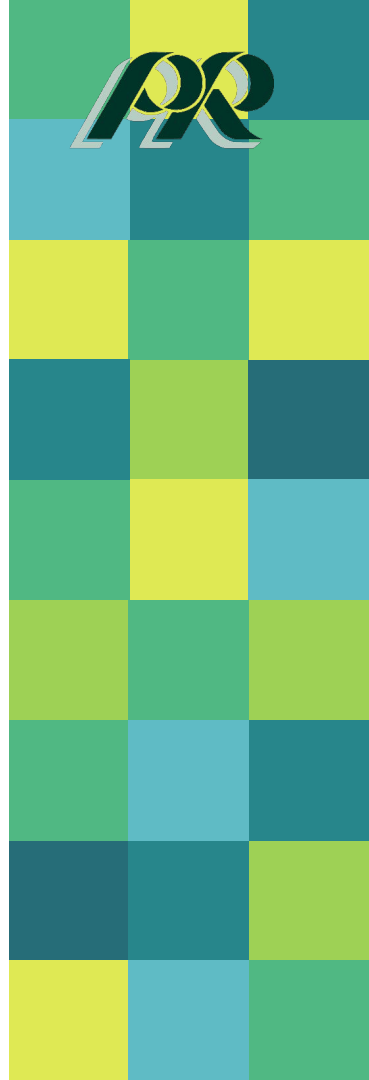


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RAMS Way



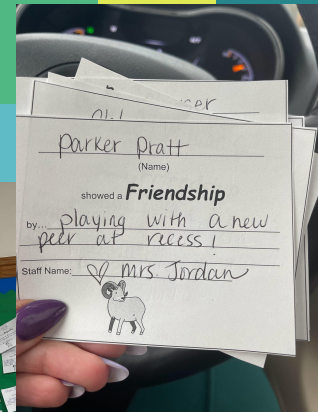
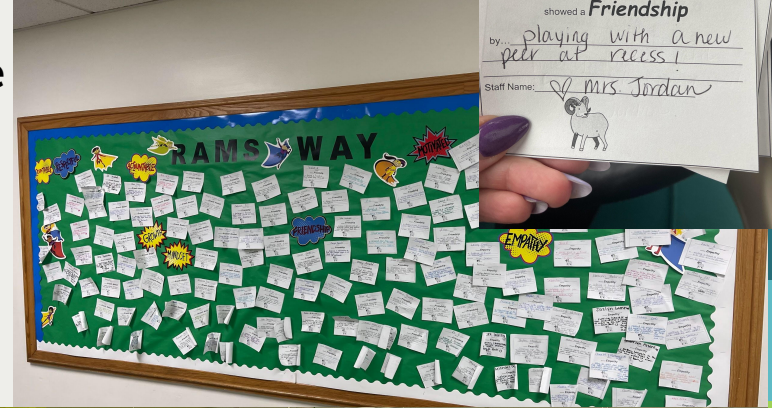
Behavioral Matrix
Click [HERE](#) to read more about PBIS



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Some components of our plan:

- Lessons to learn
- Assemblies to celebrate
- School store to spend tickets
- Shoutouts to acknowledge



Zones of Regulation



Blue Zone

Sad - Bored
Tired - Sick



Green Zone

Happy - Focused
Calm - Proud



Yellow Zone

Worried - Frustrated
Silly - Excited



Red Zone

Overjoyed/Elated
Panicked - Angry - Terrified



Getting Involved



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- All Richland Parents are PTO Members
- We encourage you to attend monthly PTO meetings
 - Updates from Administration
 - Committee/Event Announcements and Reports
- Ways to Get Involved in the PTO
 - Committee Chair/Co-Chair
 - Committee Volunteer
 - Homeroom Parent
 - Classroom Volunteer
- Visit the PTO Website
 - Committee Descriptions
 - Chair Contacts
 - Calendar of Events

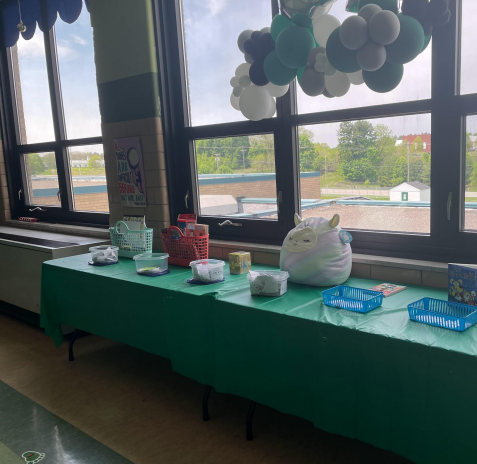


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Opportunities to
Volunteer and
Support our
School:
Book Fair
Field Day
Class Parties
School Store
Cafeteria Help



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Family Fun Nights!



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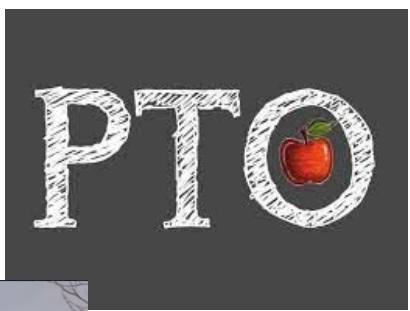
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Supporting our love for Books and Literacy with
the Scholastic Book Fair!

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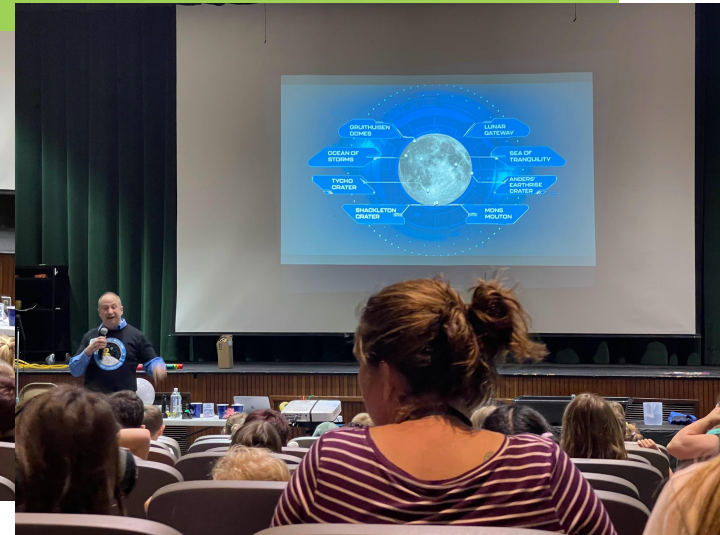
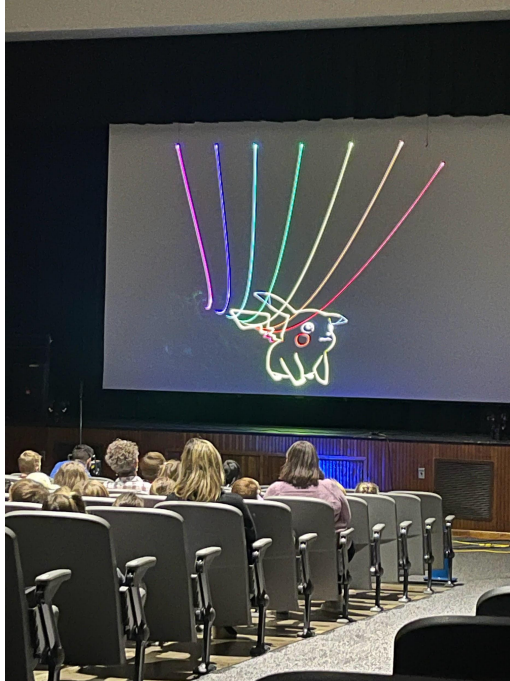
Helping to teach our Rams about generosity and gratitude: Food Drive to benefit Helping Hands in Gibsonia, Cereal Box Drive for local food banks too! Read to Feed in collaboration with KDKA and PNC Bank - raised over \$50,000 in three years!

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Expanding upon our curriculum with assemblies!
Prismatic Laser Light Show about Good Character
Moonshot Museum



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Mural Provides Empowering Message



"Be the KIND Kid," "You Matter", "BELieve in YOURself", "This School is Powered by Kindness," and "The more you love yourself for what makes you unique, the more you can love others for what makes them different."

These empowering words now serve as inspiration to all who enter Richland Elementary School with our new mural wall. Principal Jenna Sloan had the idea of muraling the wall as a way to bring the building to life and inspire kids and adults. She then collaborated with Mrs. Katie Laslavic and the Richland Elementary School PTO to start brainstorming in November 2021. The adults in the building had the opportunity to submit quotes that they felt would be positive and encouraging to our learners. Then, the students voted on those quotes, as well as different activities they wanted represented on the wall (math, reading, diversity, kindness, Pittsburgh), and the ram design that represents our PR mascot.

The PTO helped us secure Artist Michelle Kee as our artist, who travelled from Atlanta, Georgia on February 16, 2022, and got started on the transformation. February 23rd was the big reveal to staff and students. It definitely serves as a source of both inspiration and pride for ALL who enter Richland Elementary School!

Click on the video below to see how excited students were!

Project in collaboration with our PTO - Spring 2022



Volunteer Policy - click [HERE](#)

- Independent Volunteers
 - Direct contact with kids.
 - Need **Clearances!!**
- Assistive Volunteers
 - No unsupervised contact with kids



Training Sessions and information can be found on the district website.

*Volunteers for cafeteria or other purpose outside of the classrooms are not permitted to go to classrooms during the school day.

Thanks!

Any questions?

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Credits

Special thanks to all the people who made and released these awesome resources for free:

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