



W.R. Brown Elementary School



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Dear W. Reily Brown Families,

Happy Winter! We hope you are all staying safe and warm during these cold months and enjoyed the recent first glimpses of snow for 2023!

Upcoming Dates

Wednesday, February 8th

Report Cards Issued

Friday, February 10th

Half Day

Monday, February 13th

No School

Teacher In-Service Day

Monday, February 20th

No School

Presidents' Day

Tuesday, February 21st

Board of Education

Meeting

Star Hill Elementary School

7:00 p.m.

Thursday, February 23rd

WRB Mystery Night

5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.

We had a fun, and busy January filled with many exciting events. Congratulations to our WRB School Spelling Bee Champion Alexandria Adran-Orendorf, first runner up Aiden Knapp, and second runner up Kaden Miles. Thank you to everyone who came to our W. Reily Brown Riders Roll. We love seeing everyone having fun together on the rink! Also, congratulations to our 5th-grade band for their outstanding winter concert.

Our next family event will be Mystery Night, held on Thursday, February 23rd, from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Families will enjoy fun riddles and puzzles and have a meal to take with them. We look forward to seeing everyone; it should be an evening full of suspense!

Please note that there will be a half day for teacher conferences on February 10th, 2023. Dismissal begins at 12:25 p.m. There is no school for a teacher in-service day on Monday, February 13th, 2023, or Monday, February 20th, 2023, in honor of Presidents' Day.



Leader in Me: Habits at Home

W. Reily Brown is a *Leader in Me* school. We promote leadership for everyone through the 7 Habits.

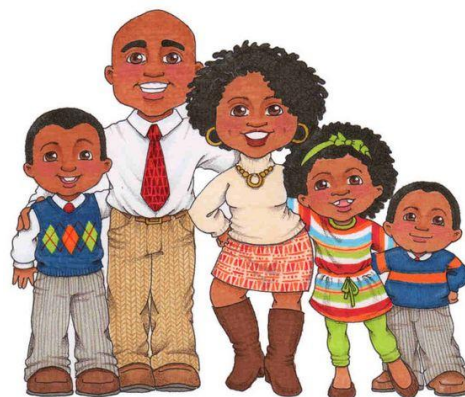
Family Mission Statements

Mission statements have long been a part of organizations. They provide a clear path for what the organization want to accomplish and how they plan to go about doing it. Yet, rarely does a family take the time to write a mission statement—and what organization is more important than a family? By establishing who you are as a family, how you want to be known, and how you plan to do it, you are practicing Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind. The process is a great way to practice all of the 7 Habits.

STEP 1

Ask yourself these seven questions:

- How do we want our family to be known?
- How do we want to treat each other?
- What is most important to us as a family?
- What are some of our talents, gifts, and abilities?
- What makes us the happiest?
- What makes us unhappy?
- What kind of home do we want to invite friends to?



STEP 2

Write your Family Mission Statement. Consider all four areas:

- Body (health and physical wellbeing)
- Mind (learning)
- Heart (relationships)
- Spirit (inspiration)

Keep it simple, one to two lines, so the youngest family members can memorize it and find it meaningful. Examples: "We are builders," "No empty chairs," "We love each other," "All for one and one for all," etc.

STEP 3

Stay on course.

As parents, you are the role models. Keep smiling and getting back on track.

The promise: By writing a Family Mission Statement, the message to your children is that your family is important. You know what you stand for and how you are going to work together to accomplish it.