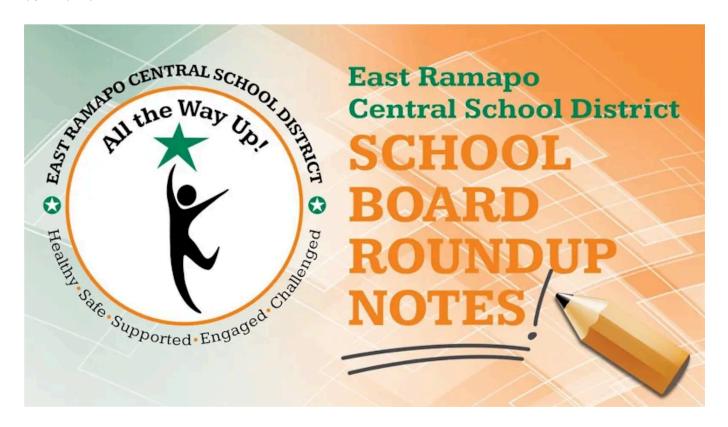
Board Meeting Roundup Notes From January 18 Meeting

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January 20, 2022

Dear East Ramapo Central School District Families and School Community,

English

The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically.

Intelligence plus character, that is the goal of true education. - Reverend Martin Luther

King

Throughout East Ramapo Central School District this month, we honored the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King through song, essays, art, trivia contests, and more. Our teachers impressed upon students the tremendous impact Dr. King had on the Civil Rights movement, and his ethics on peace, nonviolence, fairness, responsibility and respect. I hope you take a moment to look at some of the events that took place throughout some of our schools here (https://www.ercsd.org/site/default.aspx?

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In case you missed it, here are some of the highlights we discussed during the Board meeting on Tuesday, January 18, 2022:



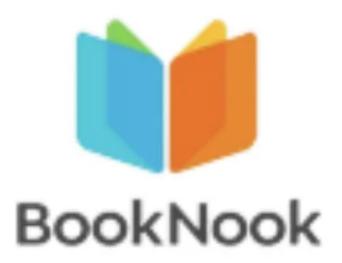
Congratulations to our School Board Member Sabrina Charles-Pierre who was honored by St. Charles AME Zion Church for her service to Rockland County and East Ramapo Central School District

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January 2022 Regents Exams canceled.

Announcement for all East Ramapo High School Students: the Regents Examinations and Midterm exams have been canceled. Students should follow their regular schedules during the week of January 24-28



East Ramapo Central School district has partnered with <u>BookNook</u> (https://www.booknooklearning.com/) to provide free virtual, small group literacy tutoring for students in grades Kindergarten through 8th grade.

This virtual literacy program helps accelerate student reading levels. Thanks to the technology already in the hands of our East Ramapo students (Chromebooks), we are able to offer this free service to all our students virtually.

The East Ramapo Book Nook Program will take place for 12 weeks starting February 28th. Please click here (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kLPL_kt-ufl) to learn more about BookNook.

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You will need to register for this free services, and registration information will be posted to our website at www.ERCSD.org/BookNook (http://www.ercsd.org/BookNook) when it is available in the coming days.



The next Family University on Tuesday, January 25th will feature this new BookNook program, and inform the community of the many benefits. More information about Family University can be found https://www.ercsd.org/Page/11054).



Upcoming Fine and Performing Arts

Here's a list of the upcoming spring performances by school. Be sure to visit their website closer to the performance for more information.

- Spring Valley High School "Your a Good Man Charlie Brown"
 Thur, Fri, Sat- 03/31, 04/01, 04/02
- Ramapo High School "Twelfth Night"
 Fri, Sat, Sun 03/25, 03/26, 03/27
- Pomona Middle School "Dear Edwina"
 Thur, Fri 06/02, 06/03
- Chestnut Ridge Middle School "The Wiz Jr."
 Thur, Fri- 04/07, 04/08
- Kakiat Middle School "Once On This Island"
 Fri, Sat 05/20, 05/21





Kindergarten Registration

East Ramapo Kindergarten Registration opened on January 3rd. Children must be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2022 to qualify. Families can call 1-845-577-6065 for more information.

COVID-19 Tests and Vaccine Clinic



On January 13, 2022, East Ramapo started distributing COVID-19 test kits to all students

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(which includes two tests) per family. These tests are being utilized to help support county residents' health and safety during the upcoming colder winter months. More info here (https://www.ercsd.org/site/default.aspx?

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The next COVID-19 vaccine clinic will be **Tuesday, February 8th** between 4pm and 6pm at Spring Valley High School at 361 East Route 59 in Spring Valley. Visit https://www.ercsd.org/vaccineclinic (https://www.ercsd.org/vaccineclinic) for more information.

To learn more about what was discussed in last week's Board Meeting, I encourage you to access the recorded meeting under the BoardDocs tab at https://www.ercsd.org/domain/1420 (https://www.ercsd.org/domain/1420)

Thank you.

Dr. Clarence G. Ellis
Superintendent of Schools

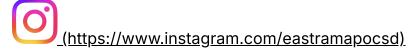
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