

Robert L. Merritt Junior High School

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“Equitable Education for Every Student”

Principal’s Message

Greetings Parents! As you know, we are headed into our last 9 weeks of school and we are extremely excited. We are currently scheduling a parent week to invite you to come visit our classes. We want to keep you informed about the quality of education your child is receiving from Robert L. Merritt Jr. High School. The teachers are teaching and the students are learning what it takes to be academically successful. I want you to watch us grow to successful status by visiting classrooms, monitoring your child's progress, and supporting the school. In this last 9 weeks of school, we will spend time reviewing standards that have been taught, which means that students will have study material to review. Please assist us in make sure your child spends time at home reviewing assignments that were covered in class. By doing this, you will help increase the likelihood of your child scoring proficient/advanced on their assessments and be prepared for the next grade.

As always, thank you for giving us the opportunity to positively impact your child's academic future.

One School...One Team...One Goal! Student Achievement

Parent Center Corner, Geraldine Ray

Come on out and visit our Parent Center at RLMJH. By visiting the center you will receive parenting literature and learning tools for you and your child. Our goal is to make a difference in the lives of children and provide support to parents. I am still looking forward to seeing you at workshops. Parents, if you have any particular areas you would like to have a workshop on please let me know. Remember, we have different ways you can be involved in your child's education such as, Active Parents, PTO/PTA meetings, and school events. In addition, you may volunteer. You may reach me through e-mail at gray@sunflower.k12.ms.us. My hours are: Tuesday, Thursday, and alternate Friday's from 7:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. I will adjust my schedule as needed.

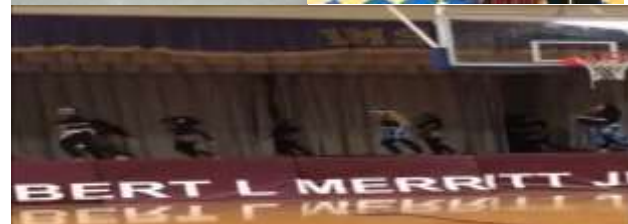
“With us plus you, there’s nothing our students can’t do”!

Upcoming Events at RLMJH

- 3/5-9 3rd Nine Weeks Assessments
- 3/ 8 Softball Game (Home) Clarksdale 4:30 P.M.
- 3/12-16 Spring Break (NO SCHOOL)
- 3/19 Softball Game (Home) Humphreys Co. 4:30 P.M.
- 3/20 Softball Game (Home) Yazoo City 4:30 P.M.
- 3/22 Softball Game (Away) Ruleville 4:30 P.M.
- 3/22 Report Cards Distribution 4-6 P.M.
- 3/24 Softball Game (Away) Noxubee Co.(DH) 10:00 A.M.
- 3/27 Softball Game (Home) O'Bannon 4:30 P.M.
- 3/29 Softball Game (Away) Clarksdale 5:00 P.M.



Kudos to Mr. Woodson, participants, and all who played a part in making the Black History Program a success on March 2nd. They brought the house down by presenting the past and the future.



IF YOUR FAMILY LIVES IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS:

- ◆ In a motel, shelter or campground due to the lack of an alternative adequate accommodation
- ◆ In a car, park, abandoned building, or bus or train station
- ◆ Doubled up with other people due to loss of housing or economic hardship (Please Contact your Parent Liaison)

The McKinney-Vento Act provides certain rights for Homeless students. For more information please visit our MDE website at:

www.mde.k12.ms.us/OFP/titlex

Counselor's Corner

As the school year draws swiftly to a close, please be aware of the requirements for your child being promoted to the next grade. They are as follows:

Promotion Policy

7th & 8th Grades

A student must have received a yearly average of at least a 65 or above in language arts, math, science *and* social studies.

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9th Grade

Sophomore-Students who have earned 8 credits including English I. Two (2) credits should have been received in 8th grade from math and ICT II.

While your child is in the 7th-9th grades, you can do the following to help ensure a successful year:

- Provide school supplies and a place to study
- Help set academic goals
- Insist on daily attendance
- Attend all parent programs
- See all progress reports and report cards
- Use rewards and consequences
- Encourage a healthy lifestyle
- Help improve organizational skills
- Help with time management skills
- Make homework your child's responsibility
- Encourage involvement in school activities
- Provide academic support and tutoring as needed

Courtesy Middle School Parent Guidebook
Woodburn Press page 12

The character word for the month of March is Curiosity...Which means-searching for information for its own sake. Active open-mindedness means exploring a wide range of relevant information when trying to draw a conclusion; including information that challenges our own initial assumptions.

Parent-Teacher Incentives for supporting **ALL** events at the school!

Parents + Teachers = *Successful Students*

