

Robert L. Merritt Junior High School

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“Equitable Education for Every Student”

Principal’s Message

Greetings Parents,

I want to thank you for allowing us the opportunity to teach your child/children for the 2017/2018 school year. Our goal is growth for all students, and we have worked to create a culture where teachers are teaching and students are learning on a consistent basis. As a result, our students are excited about their individual data and our overall school grade. Because of your support, we were able to charter a bus and send our Beta Club students to Biloxi to gain more academic exposure that reaches beyond the school level. May is the month for State Assessments, and I want you to know that our students have been prepared, and they are ready to face this task. I encourage you to have some conversation with your child/children about their assessments to see how they felt about it. We are getting closer to our last days of school and our 9th grade students are getting ready for their promotional ceremony. Please come out and show your support for our 9th grade students as they prepare to further their educational career to the high school setting. Again, I thank you for choosing Robert L. Merritt as your child’s place of education. Have a great summer!

One School...One Team...One Goal!

Student Achievement Parent Center Corner

Greetings to our wonderful parents of RLMJH. Although school will end for the 2017-2018 school year, learning does not have to stop. During the summer make every event a learning experience. Such as, family game night. Choose games and subjects your child may be taking the upcoming school year.

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

Upcoming Events at RLMJH

5/4/18 Awards Day Program
5/7/18 Parents visit to campus 9-12
5/8/18 8th Grade Science Test & 7th Grade Math Part II
5/9/18 Algebra I & 7th Grade ELA Part I
5/10/18 8th Grade ELA Part I & Biology I & 8th Grade Math Part II
5/11/18 7th & 8th Grade ELA Part II
5/15/18 7th Grade Math Part I
5/16/18 8th Grade Math Part I
Makeups will be given on Thursday, May 17th and Friday, May 18th.
All of the tests will be taken online. Practice tests may be found at the following addresses:
ms-sampler.nextera.questarai.com/tds/#practice
05/18/18 9th Grade Prom
05/23/18 9th Grade Promotion Ceremony

On April 24, 2018 at 10:30 A.M., Dads were invited to visit the campus and share a doughnut or two with their child.



Our speaker, Otis Anthony II captured the dads attention by sharing some great inspiration on how important the role of a dad is in a child’s life.

Counselor's Corner

Test Taking Tips for Parents

The following tips will provide suggestions for parents on how to approach test taking with their kids.

Make sure that your child does all their homework and reading assignments, this will help make sure your child is prepared for the test.

Encourage your child to space out their studying and homework assignments so that they won't be forced to cram on the night before the test.

If you are anxious about your child's test, it's ok but try to keep cool around your child, you don't want them to get anxious about their tests too.

Encourage your child to do well but don't pressure him/her. You may stress him/her out. It is important for your child to stay relaxed for the test. Keep a positive attitude about tests.

Provide a quiet, well lighted area with little distractions to help your child study efficiently.

Mark down test days on your calendar so you and your child are both aware of testing dates.

Make sure that your child gets enough sleep on the night before the test.

Ensure that your child eats a healthy breakfast and avoid heavy foods that may make him/her groggy and avoid high sugar foods that may make him/her hyper.

Make sure that your child gets up early enough so that he/she will be on time to school.

Let your child relax for a few hours before bedtime, it can be stressful for a child to study all night.

Talking about the test with your child can relieve stress about test taking.

If your child is struggling on their tests, talk to them about it and meet with their teacher to find out the best way to help your child.

Praise/reward your child when they do well on a test or for their hard work preparing for a test.

Encourage them to do better if they don't do well. Review the test with your child after they have taken it and go over any mistakes they have made and make sure that they understand your child relax for a few hours before bedtime, it can be stressful for a child to study all night.

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The character word for the month of May is Optimism...Which means-hopefulness and confidence about the future and successful outcome of something....

