

# GT Parent Newsletter

## Rappahannock County Public Schools

March 2019

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### March Updates!

This month we all got to make up some of the activities that were cancelled in February and are also working hard as the school year starts coming to a close. At the elementary school students completed the Continental Math League competition and are on the last set of words for our WordMasters Challenge. A spring issue of the newspaper is in the works, along with grade level websites and a news video. The high school students have been busy with drama practice and sports, language, music and science competitions. Well rounded students are also developing expertise in the areas they choose for the competitions.

Our school system has put forth a lot of effort in providing educational experiences for our parents as well. The showing of *Screenagers* both for parents and students helped us see some of the less desirable outcomes that occur with digital devices and the connections that are made. The Safety Summit was postponed until this coming Wednesday, April 3 from 6 - 8pm. There is a link on the RCHS website that allows you to sign up for the Spaghetti Dinner at 5pm and information about activities for younger children.



Students from both RCES and RCHS visited the local galleries. The trip provided for reflection and discussion about the art with the artists that were in the galleries. Here you can see Katrina Ann Marcey who talked about her educational background and how she supports her art career with other experiences. From March 29 through April 21 the Middle Street Gallery will feature another member, Phyllis Northrup, so visits can take place monthly and there will be new experiences awaiting.

Mrs. Grady and I were very pleased with the students' responses to their gallery tours and plan to continue providing these opportunities.

## Congratulations!

To Lauren Petty, an RCHS student who attends our Mountain Vista Governor's School program for placing 2nd at the Fauquier County Science Fair and is now State Science Fair Bound! (Photo is to the right.)

To Sophia Hernandez, another RCHS student, who earned first place at the Bland Contest and will move on to the next level of competition scheduled for April 6.

To Ninon Kirchman for making All-State as a trumpeter and placing second at the Bland Contest.

To Katie and Sarah Johnson for participating in the Bland contest at the elementary level with impressive performances on the violin and the piano.



### News:

**On Weds. April 3, students at MVGS will be presenting their capstone projects from 8am to 9am and the public is invited to attend. Our students attend the Warrenton campus.**

**Students who use the [Khan Academy SAT Prep](#) for a minimum of 20 hours have shown an [increase](#) in their scores and are reportedly eligible for [scholarships](#)!**

**Recently I learned that Charlottesville is hosting the Tom Tom Festival and one day is dedicated to [Youth Innovation](#). Something to look into!**

*The world belongs to the energetic.*

Ralph Waldo Emerson-English Proverbs

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