

We Are Rappahannock!

Division Newsletter-March 2019



8TH Grade Reality Store Event

The 8th grade students experienced the annual Reality Store event on February 27th at RCHS. The Reality Store, provided by the Virginia Cooperative Extension, is a financial management program that brings awareness to the value of a dollar when factoring in the cost of daily living. Each student was randomly assigned a monthly net salary, career, and marital/family status. Then they were instructed to visit all of the booths that were set up around the gymnasium which were run by community volunteers. Each booth represented common, "real life" expenses: childcare, transportation, grocery, housing, etc. The students, whom were responsible for staying within their budget, learned how to make smart financial choices through organization, goal setting, awareness of finances, and developing a plan.



Read Across America Week

RCES students participated in Read Across America Week on March 4th-8th. Based off of Read Across America Day, March 2, this week celebrates the magic of reading by honoring the birthday of the late Dr. Seuss. Students participated in a spirit week with each day representing a theme from one of Dr. Seuss' books. In addition, special reading activities were held. Classrooms were visited by special guests from the central office, the community, and even students from higher grade levels who shared in the special story time. The week ended with "Flashlight Friday." The lights in each classroom were turned off and the teachers read to the students using a flashlight. In addition, teachers had the option of competing in a door decoration contest. This week both inspired and promoted the enjoyment of reading books.





PRIDE Variety Show

The RCHS PRIDE Variety Show was held on Valentine's Day 2019. Students and staff entertained the audience while showcasing their talents in a variety of performances including vocal, instrumental, dance, comedy, and acting. Performers included Bryce Jones, Mr. Dave Naser, Katelyn Compton, Breda Clough, Lily Jenkins, Anna Milam, Dalton Renner, Emily Preston, Ms. Patti Waddell, Abi MacDonald, Sophia Hernandez, Jess Foster, Lexi Hansen, Donovan Zook, Ian Moore, Jacob Thomas, Mariah Richardson, Allison Fertig, Anthony DelGrosso, Ashley Peeling, Christy Smoot, Alivia Tuel, Chase Wharton, Kaitlyn Haskins, Katie Bedortha, Ben Giles, Ben Bailey, Alex Bailey, Evan Hylton, and Mr. Jimmy Swindler (aka Cupid). Special thanks to Alison Wharton (Sound Technician), Carmen Pond (Crew), and Ms. Pond (Director).



Wrestlers Advance to States

Six RCHS students from the Wrestling team advanced to the state meet. Join us in congratulating Edgar Gonzales, Lee Reinboldt, Matthew Sisk, Jaesean Yates, Nick Grigsby, and Dalton Renner. During the State Competition, Edgar Gonzales, who was regional championship, placed third. Lee Reinboldt placed 6th.







7th Grade Market Day

The 7th grade market day was held on February 28th in the RCES gymnasium. Each of the students created a product to sell to fellow students using market day bucks. Some of the products included clay figurines, tictac-toe boards, painted rocks, origami, and stress balls. In addition, there were a variety of refreshments: smoothies, cotton candy, lemonade, cookies, cupcakes, cinnamon rolls, and chocolate covered strawberries. According to 7th grade civics teacher, Matthew Hummill, "the students have learned basic economic principles like supply and demand, profit, types of resources, and production and consumption and this is their opportunity to use their knowledge in an authentic situation."



SCHOOL SAFETY SUMMIT April 3rd from 6-8 pm at RCHS

Featuring Digital Ethics (6pm) and ALICE Training and Vaping/Substance Abuse sessions (7pm) Plus-Spaghetti Dinner (5pm) & Drums Alive Kids Beats Event (6-8pm). See our website for more details.



Photos from previous Drums Alive Kids Beats event and ALICE trainings.