

# GT Parent Newsletter

Rappahannock County Schools

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## Leadership Opportunities

*"Lead, Inspire, Grow"*

Rappahannock County Schools offers students many enriching opportunities to demonstrate leadership. Building a docier rich with extra-curricular, service-

the RCES student government, where students in 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> grade are elected to offices. Students take part in facilitating student forums,

"If your actions inspire others to dream more, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader."

~John Quincy Adams

oriented, well-rounded experience is crucial for students to become competitive for gifted programs and college admissions. It is never too early to begin to teach characteristics of leaders to students. This begins early at RCES with citizenship lessons given through the guidance department. Students are taught from Kindergarten on what it means to be a good friend, what is acceptable behavior, and how to treat others. These very important lessons then can be applied in

campaigning, taking a stand on issues, and delivering a speech to an audience. At RCHS, students have options to join and lead PRIDE clubs in various areas of interest which provide additional enrichment. Clubs this year include Book Club, Chess Club, Club Med, Creative Writing, Improv Club, Puzzles, Sci Fi, Wood Turning, School of Rock, and many others. If you are a parent of a high school student, ask them about their PRIDE club, as all students belong to one.

## Other Leadership Opportunities at RCPS



4-H

Scouts

Leo Club

Interact

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National Honor Society

Student Council

Student Christian Athletes

Service Learning

Quizbowl

Athletic Teams

Theater/Drama

Students Against Destructive Decisions

Teacher Assistant

Internships

Volunteerism

## ***New Tech Tools for GT Classroom***

Gifted students at RCES will now have the opportunity to delve deeper into technology using a brand new class set of Google Chromebooks purchased with local gifted funds. Students have been asking for dedicated computers to use for GT projects, such as the school newspaper. The GT Specialist, Lilo Wolfe, has also taken classes in using these new tools for media literacy and Google Classroom. This year in GT pull-out, students will be able to take part in an online, interactive classroom in order to be able to extend research, collaborate through social

media, and produce advanced projects. We are very



excited to be able to provide new tools that match the needs and interests of our gifted students (picture courtesy of Google Images).

### ***Important Events/Dates*** **(Please also check the RCPS Website and Calendar for more!!!)**

- After School Program began September 15
- RCHS Fall Festival: Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup>
- Week of September 21<sup>st</sup>: Book Fair at RCES
- September 21 — deadline to return permission slip for college fair at LFCC on Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> (RCHS seniors have priority, juniors next)
- September 22<sup>nd</sup> — Deadline to sign up for PSAT
- MVGS Chili Cookoff and Trivia Contest Fundraiser: Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:00-9:30
- SAT Prep Courses in RCHS RM 2: 3:30-4:30 PM: Math is Mondays and Wednesdays, Critical Reading and Writing is Tuesdays and Thursdays. They will run from now until 10/1 in preparation for the 10/3 SAT offered at RCHS.
- October is the month for rising juniors and seniors to decide whether or not to apply to Summer Residential Governor's School programs.
- SAT: October 3<sup>rd</sup>
- College Trip to Mary Washington: October 8, 2015
- Week of October 12<sup>th</sup> is National School Lunch Week

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