



November 17, 2021

FAMILY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Mark Your Calendars! The Santa's Workshop Craft Fair* is returning to RPSA on Saturday December 4th 9AM-3PM. The PTO will be hosting the concessions stand and a RAMS Card table at the event to raise money that is used to enrich the RPSA experience in many ways for both staff & students. The PTO is looking for volunteers to staff these two areas. See this sign up if you can help us for a shift.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044CA8AC2EA1FD0-santas>

*This event is coordinated by "Keep It Local 989" and is not directly sponsored by Renaissance Public School Academy. All inquiries about the event should be directed to keepitlocal989@gmail.com.

RAMS WEAR ORDER REMINDER

REMINDER: Rams Apparel order forms with payment are due to the school office on Friday, November 19 and will be delivered the week of December 13. Questions about the Apparel Sale can be directed to renaissanceramspto@gmail.com. Order forms were sent home with students and extra copies are available in the office.

Download the form: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1-YwwrajVbqM89hTCQ-8gyHesVI6BMTA0/view>

UPCOMING SCHOOL CALENDAR EVENTS

- Scholastic Book Fair - November 15 - 19
- Thanksgiving Break - No School - Wednesday, 11/24 - Friday, 11/26
- Winter Holiday Break begins Monday, Dec. 20
- School Resumes Monday, January 3, 2022

Renaissance Title I Home-School Compact 2021-2022

We share our Title I Home-School compact around the time when Student-Led Conferences (SLCs) are held each year to renew our commitment to work collaboratively for the success of every student.

<p>Habit 1</p> <p>Be Proactive</p>	<p>Students will be proactive in school and home by asking questions when they don't understand. Students will be proactive at home by reading to someone or alone every night.</p> <p>Teachers and parents will be proactive by being a positive role model for every student. Parents will help students be proactive by providing time each day to read together or alone.</p>
<p>Habit 2</p> <p>Begin With the End in Mind</p>	<p>Students will set goals and plan ahead to do their personal best on every school assignment.</p> <p>Parents will help set goals and receive feedback for the students by attending all conferences.</p> <p>Teachers will maintain high behavioral and academic expectations for all children. They will offer students strategies to accelerate their learning.</p>
<p>Habit 3</p> <p>Put First Things First</p>	<p>Students will put first things first by returning books and parent signatures when required.</p> <p>Parents will help students stay organized and encourage organization.</p> <p>Teachers will provide high quality learning experiences and quality individual and small group instruction.</p>
<p>Habit 4</p> <p>Think Win-Win</p>	<p>Students will treat others with respect as they would like to be treated.</p> <p>Parents will communicate in a timely manner when a question or concern arises.</p> <p>Teachers will find what techniques and materials work best for each student and provide frequent progress reports to the parents.</p>
<p>Habit 5</p> <p>First Seek to Understand</p>	<p>Students will show responsibility by treating people and property at school with respect.</p> <p>Parents will talk to their child every day about his/her school activities.</p> <p>Teachers will share feedback with grade level teams and support staff.</p>
<p>Habit 6</p> <p>Synergize</p>	<p>Students will show respect for others and their ideas or opinions.</p> <p>Parents will volunteer in classrooms, attend parent club meetings, or attend school events when possible.</p> <p>Teachers will provide frequent reports to parents on student progress and encourage parental involvement.</p>
<p>Habit 7</p> <p>Sharpen the Saw</p>	<p>Students will attend school every day unless they are sick.</p> <p>Parents and teachers will be a positive role model for students both academically and in the way they interact with others.</p>

We just completed a 4 part series of resources for families to support Reading at home. Over the next 4 newsletters, we will highlight some great ways to support your child as a Math student. Check out the image below for 24 ways to HAVE FUN with Math at home.

24 Ways to Have Fun with MATH at Home

Kids who learn basic math concepts before kindergarten have a better shot at future mathematics success. Try these fun ideas at home to help your child learn about math throughout your day!



When getting dressed...

...count out articles of clothing with your child
 ...count body parts as the clothing is put on
 ...have your child point out shapes like circles, triangles, squares, and rectangles in fabric prints, fasteners, and pockets

When doing laundry...



...sort clothes with your child into piles of "more" or "less"
 ...ask your child to help put a specific number of clothing items into the hamper or basket, and then count with her as she does it
 ...have your child match socks to help them understand sets of objects

When waiting around...

...try simple math games such as "counting cars" to create learning opportunities



When cleaning up...

...ask your child to pick up a set number of objects and count with him as he does it.
 ...have your child count the number of steps she took to pick up each of the objects or to complete the cleanup task.
 ...name the shapes of the objects that the child is tidying up

When washing hands...



...count the squirts of soap and then count to 10 while your child washes—you'll reinforce counting knowledge and thorough hand washing!

When preparing meals...

...try measuring out an ingredient using three different cup containers so your child can see and count "three cups of flour"
 ...teach "order irrelevance" by asking, "If we count from left to right, do we still get the same number of cups of flour?"



When eating dinner...

...engage your child in conversations about more or less: "Do I have more or less mashed potatoes than you have?"
 ...play "how many" games: "How many forks are on the table? How many carrots are on your plate?"
 ...have your child count food items as they are served

When bathing...

...ask your child to count the cups of bath soap or number of toys in the tub.
 ...hang a wall clock in the bathroom and show your child how to tell how much time has elapsed while they're in the tub



When brushing teeth...

...use a small egg timer to help your child develop a sense of elapsed time (and to be sure they brush their teeth long enough!)

When reading bedtime stories...

...choose stories that incorporate math themes like counting or shapes
 ...look for ways to introduce math talk even if the book isn't specifically about math—have your child count the number of animals a character meets, for example

When saying goodnight...

...have your child count the number of events in his "goodnight routine": getting into bed, fluffing pillows, turning on night lights, organizing stuffed animals
 ...put the child's night light on a timer and say, "Count to the highest number you can to see how long the light takes to go to sleep."
 ...count bedtime kisses with your child—and then give him an extra one!

