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PTSA PRINCIPAL'S REPORT – January 10, 2017

RLMS Curriculum Corner- January 2017 Edition will be linked to the Blast this Friday.

Naviance/Developmental Guidance

Each year, all students participate in Developmental Guidance on varying topics. The School Counselors typically spend 2 days in a class and coordinate with the subject area teachers around their lessons. All of these topics tie into Student Success Plans; which are part of "Connecticut's Plan for Secondary School Reform".

The state of CT defines a Student Success Plan as:

The SSP is an individualized student-driven plan developed to address students' needs and interests. The Plan should include strategies to help every student stay connected to school and achieve postsecondary educational and career goals. An effective SSP is built around three core components: "Academic Development, Career Development, and Social, Emotional, and Physical Development. This Plan will begin in Grade 6 and continue through high school to provide the student support and assistance in setting up goals for social, emotional, physical and academic growth, meeting rigorous high school expectations and exploring postsecondary education and career interests. The SSP and support structures, such as student portfolios and academic/personal records, should be electronic and portable following the student from school to school and district to district.

Grade 6 Lesson Plan-My Study Plan – February 22nd and 23rd

Outcome: Students list the subjects that challenge them most and make a plan to improve their skills.

Grade 6—during the month of January. The grade 6th lessons focus on "getting to know you", "coping skills" and learning Naviance (the electronic file that will house your child's Student Success Plan). All grade 6 students will log in to the Naviance system and review their online

goal planning framework facilitated by their School Counselor. They will also establish one personal goal.

Grade 7 Lesson Plan - Habits for Success – March 1st and March 3rd

The Big Idea: Students learn strategies for succeeding academically in school and at home.

Outcome: Students recognize successful habits and make a plan to improve other academic skills.

Grade 7— In February, all grade 7 students will participate in lessons that focus on learning styles/interests. They will log in to their Naviance accounts and complete the "Strengths Explorer" assessment facilitated by their School Counselor.

Grade 8 Lesson Plan – Decision Making – January 11th and 12th

Students learn to make decisions on their future.

Outcome: Students reflect on decisions they have made and make a plan to make an informed decision in the future.

Grade 8- In February, all students will log in to the Naviance system and complete a Career Interest Inventory in preparation for high school course selection facilitated by their School Counselor.

Upcoming dates to remember:

January 16th – No School – Martin Luther King Day January 31st – Basketball Bash – 2pm. 4pm pick up for students January 31st – RLMS Bulldog Spirit Day