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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Greetings RLMS Parents/Guardians:

I am not going to give another Infinite Campus pitch...However; I wanted to encourage parents and students to utilize our school website at <http://fairfieldschools.org/schools/rlms/>. The website has many resources and links to guide you and your child to events, clubs and calendar events at RLMS. Teachers and clubs are continuing to add information as the year moves forward. Check it out! Speaking of clubs...I was able to get out this past week to run with our Cross Country team. Coach Tomczyk and Coach DeAngelo have nearly 90 students running this fall. Needless to say, I struggled to keep up with the kids and they were kind enough to cheer me into the finish.

I meet with the faculty regularly to discuss issues both in and out of the classroom. I am asking your assistance this year to help us enforce students wearing appropriate clothing to school. We take pride in all RLMS students and believe that your dress reflects the way you feel about yourself and the quality of the school. Clothing must be clean and in good repair. At no time should clothing detract from a student's attention to the academic process. Students wearing attire that is disruptive to the educational process, dangerous to personal safety, or advocates substance abuse or makes sexist statements will be required to change immediately. I did not want to give you the entire list from the RLMS handbook, but I wanted to highlight some "frequent flyer" issues that we are encountering. Here are some guidelines for appropriate dress:

- Footwear must be worn - certain classes for safety reasons may require specific footwear for the students. These policies must be adhered to.
- Clothing should cover undergarments, and provide appropriate coverage at the midriff and neckline. The midriff should not be seen (i.e. lace).
- Hats are not to be worn inside. (Please leave hats in your locker.)
- Clothing that promotes or depicts alcohol, drugs, tobacco, violent behavior, or sexually explicit or suggestive words or pictures are prohibited.

- Skirts and shorts must have some length and inseam. No visible undergarments and must skirts and shorts provide appropriate coverage.
- Shirts with shoulder straps must be worn.
- Pajamas/sleepwear/slippers are not to be worn to school.

We have noticed an increase in pajama bottoms and flannel pants being worn to school. We are asking that students not wear pajama bottoms or flannel pants to school but may keep a pair in their locker if they need protective pants to wear during Science class only. Your help and enforcement of our dress code is most appreciated.

I wanted to thank the PTSA for hosting several upcoming events. We are very excited to host author Marc Tyler Nobleman on **Thursday 10/3**. He will speak to grades 7 & 8 at 1:30 p.m. Marc Tyler Nobleman is the author of "Bill the Boy Wonder: The Secret Co-Creator of Batman" and "Boys of Steel: The Creators of Superman," plus books NOT about superheroes. Be sure to ask your 7th or 8th grade child about the presentation. The other big PTSA fundraiser is our annual Walk-A-Thon on Friday, October 18th. We are still missing permission slips for many students. Please make sure that you have signed a permission slip for this event. We have over 750 students signed up and students without a permission slip will be unable to participate and will not get a Walk-A-Thon t-shirt.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding upcoming events at Roger Ludlowe Middle School. GO BULLDOGS!!

Warm regards~



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