

ROWE ELEMENTARY ROCKET READER



February 2020 issue

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Dear Rowe Families, Friends, and Supporters,

We are thrilled to announce that the Chicago Board of Education renewed Rowe's charter for another five years! This was made possible by the relentless hard work from our wonderful families, scholars, teachers, community partners, and many others. We are so lucky to work with each and every partner and sincerely hope that these relationships continue to strengthen us as a school for well beyond five years.

In other news, scholars will continue to work extremely hard these next several months in order to accomplish their goals for the spring NWEA test. We would like to highlight some accomplishments from the Winter NWEA tests:

- Williams scholars are averaging above the winter RIT norm for mid year NWEA in both Reading and Math.

Math:

- 65% of second grade scholars in Denver are on track to meet their spring goals
- 76% of 2nd grade ELLs met fall-winter projected growth

ELA:

- 60% of third grade scholars in USC are on track to meet their spring goals
- UIC and UPenn scholars are averaging above the winter RIT norm for mid year NWEA
- In 8th-grade, 61% of our scholars are at or above norm grade level mean RIT

Lastly, we want to stress the importance of attendance. The first three weeks back from winter break, we averaged 95% at the elementary school. Our goal as a school is 97.5%. The top classroom attendance from those three weeks were:

- Minnesota with 99% attendance (1st week)
- UCONN with 98% attendance (2nd week)
- And Wisconsin with **100%** attendance (3rd week)
- ITW with **100%** attendance at RMS

As we are striving for our spring goals in math and reading, it is extremely important that your scholar is at school. Here are a few helpful tips for families on what you can do to ensure your scholar is at school:

- Set a regular bedtime and morning routine.
- Lay out respective uniform items and pack backpacks with homework the night before.
- Don't let your scholar stay home unless they are truly sick.
- If your scholar seems nervous or anxious about school, email our social worker: jfeldman@nush.org
- Develop back-up plans for getting to school if something comes up. Call a family member, a neighbor, or another parent.
- Avoid medical appointments or extended trips when school is in session.

Thank you all for your continued support. Ms. Beckless will see you for the next Coffee with the RMS Principal on **Thursday, February 6th** and Ms. Wilson will see you at the next Coffee with the RES Principal on **Friday, February 7th**.

Ms. Beckless & Ms. Wilson



Winter Family Dance
February 28th
5 to 7pm
RES Gymnasium

Limited tickets available
due to capacity

**Scholar must be
accompanied by an adult**



Coffee With the Principal

You're invited!

Coffee with the Principal

On **February 7, 2020 at 8:30am**,
Ms. Wilson will welcome all parents for a
meet & greet and a Q&A.



Kobe Bryant Memorial
Dress Down Day

Scholars may wear **Yellow & Purple**
Friday, February 7th

Join us for the
**February F4S
Meeting**
February 11th
4:00pm at RES



Events

Feb. 3rd—2nd and 3rd grade
RES STEM Event from 4-5pm

Feb. 7th — RES Coffee with the
Principal at 8:30am

Feb. 7th — Kobe Bryant
Memorial Dress Down Day

Feb. 11th - F4S meeting at RES
at 4pm

Feb. 14th — Valentine's Day

Feb. 14th— RES Progress Reports
go home

Feb. 14th - 100th day of school

Feb. 15th — Vittum Theater Re-
Opening

Feb. 17th — No School for schol-
ars—President's Day

Feb. 18th — Signed Progress
Reports are due

Feb. 20th — 4th and 5th grade
RES STEM Event from 4-5pm

Feb. 21th — Black History
Month Assembly

Feb. 24th — Afterschool Acade-
my begins. Tuesdays and Thurs-
days.

Feb. 28th — F4S Family Winter
Dance 5-7pm

**No School on
Monday,
February 17th**



**RES
2nd and 3rd grade
STEM Activity
Monday, February 3rd
4 to 5pm
RES Science Lab**



Families will use forensic
science to solve a "crime".
An adult is required to stay and partici-
pate with their scholar(s). Families can
RSVP by emailing their scholar's science
teacher.



After the flooding on November 15th, the Vittum Theater is open again. Join ASC in celebrating with a FREE family friendly day of activities including tours of the newly refurbished Adventure Stage offices, a ribbon cutting for the theater, and a staged reading of Carlos Murillo's *I Come From Arizona*.

Saturday, February 15th

Activities, tours and celebrations 2:30-3:30.

Ribbon cutting 3:45 directly followed by the staged reading at 4pm.

Reserve your FREE tickets by completing this Google form:
<https://forms.gle/xNx8KRzAfAhMxN4c7>