

The Counselor's Corner

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Attendance Matters

Attendance is a critical part of a student's academic success. Additionally, being on time for school and staying for the full school day are important practices for future employment habits. Sometimes, students must miss school due to illness or another situation. We understand that perfect attendance is not possible for everyone. When your student must miss school, you should provide a signed note explaining the reason for the absence(s). You can send the note to your student's teacher, email it to woodwkr@boe.richmond.k12.ga.us, or fax it to 706-868-3647. If your student accumulates 5 or more unexcused absences, we must begin our truancy process. Truancy involves numerous meetings and the involvement of the local juvenile court. Thus, it is critical that you provide a note for each absence so that your student will not have any unexcused absences. We appreciate your attention to and assistance with this very important matter.

Classroom Guidance

As an essential component of the comprehensive school counseling plan, monthly classroom guidance lessons are available to each class, based on each teacher's scheduling preferences.

In November, students in all grades participated in a classroom guidance lesson about gratitude. The lower grades' lesson was based on 1) *My Gratitude Jar* by Kristin Wiens, while the upper grades' lesson was created from 2) *Those Shoes* by Maribeth Boelts.

In December, all students received a classroom guidance lesson pertaining to generosity. The lower grades' lesson was created from 3) *George the Generous Giraffe* by Kameron Trumbo, while the upper grades' lesson was based on 4) *The Giving Tree* by Shel Silverstein.

You can revisit the stories listed above using the QR codes below.



Resources

Various Resources

(Clothing, food, tutoring, etc.)



Test Taking Tips



GMAS Resources



Dr. Woodward's Canvas Page



Dr. Woodward's Website

