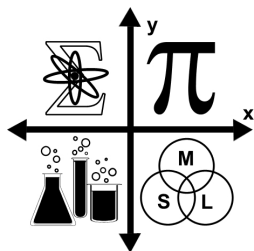




Spring 2014

PATRIOT NEWS

Magnet/S.T.E.M. Program



Revere's Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Magnet Program is one of the premier School-Within-a-School programs in HISD. The program offers academically advanced work in math and science, and an enriched curriculum through non-traditional S.T.E.M. electives. Some of the classes offered include Crime Scene Investigation, Entrepreneurship, Introduction to Engineering, Robotics, and more. We also offer eligible students the opportunity to earn

up to seven high school graduation credits on our campus.

We invite you to join us for our S.T.E.M./Open House Night on Thursday, March 13 from 6:00-8:00 pm. Ms. Kubicek, Revere's Magnet Program Coordinator, will be available to share information and answer any questions you may have. If you're interested in applying to the program, you can contact Ms. Kubicek or access the online application at this website: <http://bit.ly/MagnetProgram>.

Patriots Excel in Academics, Arts, and Sports

- Our students won the 2nd Place Sweepstakes Trophy in the UIL Academics Competition hosted at Revere on February 8. Participants won over 20 academic medals and trophies, putting our school in second place overall!
- Revere celebrated Black History Month with outstanding performances in an effort to celebrate diversity.
- Congratulations to Davaren Sweeny, 8th grader, who won 1st place for his 113 pound weight class at the state wrestling championship in Allen, TX in January! Patriot Wrestling earned 4th place overall in the Houston tournament.
- Patriot Girls' Basketball wins District Championship – 2nd year in a row!

UNDEFEATED

Meet Our Patriot Teachers

Ms. Randi Willis – Attended the University of Houston, Clear Lake, and received a Bachelors of Science degree in Psychology and Behavioral Science. She enjoys teaching because she feels like she is helping students create their own future. Her favorite classes in college were archeology and urban sociology, while her favorite education classes were child development and child learning/development styles. (By: Neyda Hernandez, 7th grade)

Mr. James Opolot – Attended University of Houston, and received a degree in Information Systems Technology. While in high school, Mr. Opolot often thought about leaving school!! He didn't really like school and was not sure that he wanted to stay. Fortunately, he had two good teachers who not only pushed him to make better grades, but also encouraged him to start thinking about his future and what he could do to make it better. While in college, he thought more and more about how those two teachers helped him to succeed in life and how he wanted to do the same thing for others. He has now been a teacher for seven years. (By: Ka'driana Pete, 7th grade)

Special Recognition

Congratulations to Ms. Arterburn, 7th grade reading teacher, who was selected by her peers as Revere's 2013-14 Teacher of the Year (TOY). And to Mr. Fuentes, 7th grade math teacher and wrestling coach, who is our 2013-14 Beginning Teacher of the Year!

These two teachers get lots of special gifts for this award, plus their own parking spots for next year. However, it's not all roses...they will have to fill out nomination forms and essays, and then enter in the TOY competition for the district. Good luck to our two outstanding teachers!

Important Dates

Parent Meetings
March 11 & April 16
at 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

Early Dismissal days
March 12, April 9, & May 14
at 1:25 pm

Benchmark Testing
March 3-6

S.T.E.M. Open House
March 13 at 6:00 pm

Spring Break
March 17 – 21

STAAR Testing
April 1-2 &
April 22-23

Stanford Testing
May 5-9



Please refer to the attached calendar for other events in March.

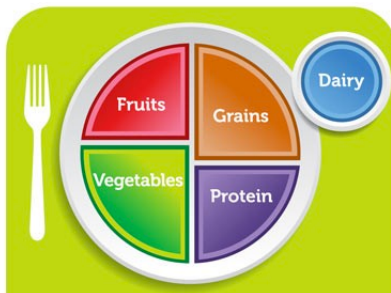
Be Revere Ready – it's Testing Season

Nurse's Corner

March is National Nutrition Month and we all know that good nutrition is a key component for academic success. Not only will good nutrition keep you healthy, but it also increases energy and brain function. These two benefits are going to be very important during testing season that starts on March 3. (For upcoming testing dates, see the "Important Dates" section of this newsletter.)

Nurse Canga offers these tips for nutritious eating habits:

1. Make Healthy Choices for Life
 - Choose 5 A-Day Servings of fruits & vegetables
 - Have more water & less sugary beverages
 - Opt for healthy snacks
 - Increase active play & decrease screen time
 - Choose 3 A-Day servings of low fat dairy product
2. Enjoy a healthy Breakfast – please do not miss breakfast as this is the main meal to start the day with energy
3. Serve a smart portion size



Promotion Standards

HISD administration just announced that Promotion Standards will remain the same for the current academic year, 2013-2014. For 6th, 7th, and 8th grades:

1. Students must pass STAAR exams in reading and math.
2. Students must have an overall yearly average of 70 or above and a local requirement of an average of 70 or above in three of the four core courses:
 - Language arts (average of reading and English),
 - mathematics,
 - science, and
 - social studies.



Student Survey

Question of the Quarter: What drinks and snacks would you like to see for sale in the school store, "The Pencil Box"?

Please write your suggestions and submit them in a folder that will be located outside Mr. Lebman's classroom in A227.

Your input is important. Results will be shared with the administration team and PTO representatives and will be reported in the next edition.

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Help ensure our Patriots are well rested and energized with nutritious meals, so they're ready to succeed on the STAAR and Stanford exams unlike Young Paul Revere and his horse, Liberty. Also, students are encouraged to participate in afterschool and Saturday tutorials. These sessions are designed to help students with their exams. Check out our website for more information and the tutorial schedule.

Special thanks go to Mr. Lebman and his 7th and 8th grade speech students for their contributions to this edition of the newsletter.