



W.R. Brown Elementary School



Together we are better...Riders Lead the Way!

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Caesar Rodney School District

October 2023



Dear W. Reily Brown Families,

Upcoming Dates

Thursday, October 5th

PTO Meeting 5:30pm

Friday, October 6th

Schools Closed: Teacher In-service

Homecoming Parade 5:30pm

Homecoming Football Game
7:00 pm

Thursday, October 12th

Fall Picture Day

Friday, October 13th

Schools Closed: Teacher In-Service

Monday, October 16th-Friday, October 20th

Grade Level Highlights

Tuesday, October 17th

Board of Education Meeting
Magnolia Middle School
6:00 pm

Thursday, October 26th

Monster Math Madness and
STEM
5:30 pm-7:00 pm

Thursday, October 27th

Costume Parade
1:45 pm

Happy October to our school community. Fall has arrived, and we are excited about the cool, crisp seasonal weather.

It has been wonderful to see our Chorus, Step Team, and Girls on the Run Team begin during the last weeks, and we can't wait to see the addition of the Eco Team, Student Lighthouse Team, and Safety Patrol soon.

Thank you to everyone who joined in our celebration of National Walk, Bike, and Roll to School Day on October 4th. We appreciate the partnership of our special guests including the Dover Police Department, Delaware State Police, Caesar Rodney School District Office, and Mrs. Nicole Hill, Caesar Rodney Board of Education Member.

Caesar Rodney School District's Homecoming Parade will take place along Camden-Wyoming Avenue in Camden, DE, on October 6th, starting at 5:30 p.m. Come out and cheer for W. Reily Brown's parade float.

We hope to see everyone in the building on the evening of October 26th for our Monster Math Madness event. Check out some incredible Halloween-themed decorations and take home some fun learning activities to do with your family.





Nurse's Corner



A few reminders from the nurse's office:

The yellow card is the nurse's EMERGENCY card. If you have not done so, please return it as soon as possible.

If your child requires, or may require, an inhaler, epinephrine, or medication during school hours, please bring it to the nurse's office in the original box with the prescription label intact.

Do not send your child to school sick. Diarrhea, vomiting, and or a fever should be kept home. Please call for any guidance, if needed.

Please keep your child's health record up to date by providing any new medical information such as a new physical, or immunizations.

Thank you for your cooperation,
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Lunch Menus



WRB Wildly Important Goals

Congratulations WRB!
Collectively we read
68, 142 minutes in
September and improved
13.9% on math fluency!

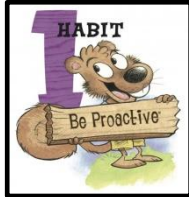
We thank you for your
diligence and support in
helping us reach our
school-wide goals!

Arrival and Dismissal

- If your child will be eating breakfast at school, please arrive by 8:15 a.m. Please do not line up in the drop off line. Instead, park in front of the school or on Webbs Lane and walk your child to the cafeteria doors for entrance.
- If your child is dropped off in the morning and is not eating breakfast, he/she should wait in the car until 8:25 a.m. when the line-up process begins. Please pull all the way up leaving no gaps to ensure drop off moves swiftly.
- If your child has a change from their normal method of transportation, please notify their teacher as soon as possible.
- Individuals under the age of 18 waiting on siblings to dismiss should wait off school property.

Leader in Me

W. Reily Brown is a *Leader in Me* school. We promote leadership for everyone through the 7 Habits.



**Habit 1:
Be Proactive**

I am responsible! I choose my actions, attitude, and moods. I do not blame others for my wrong actions. I do the right thing without being asked, even when no one is looking.



**Habit 2:
Begin With the End in Mind**

I plan ahead and set goals. I do things that have meaning and make a difference. I am an important part of my classroom and contribute to our mission. I look for ways to be a good citizen.



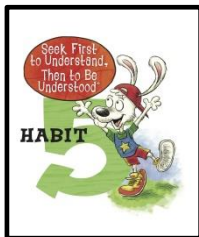
**Habit 3:
Put First Things First**

I spend time on things that are most important. This means I say no to things I know I should not do. I am disciplined and organized.



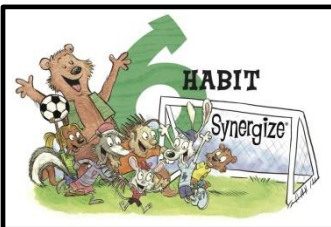
**Habit 4:
Think Win-Win**

I balance courage for getting what I want with consideration for what others want. I make deposits in others' emotional bank accounts. When conflicts arise, I look for a resolution.



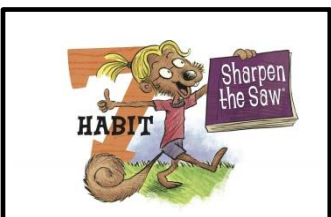
**Habit 5:
Seek First to Understand, Then to Be Understood**

I listen to other people's ideas and feelings. I try to see things from their viewpoints. I listen without interrupting. I am confident in voicing my ideas. I look people in the eyes when talking.



**Habit 6:
Synergize**

I value other people's strengths and learn from them. I get along well with others, even people who are different from me. I work well in groups. I seek out other people's ideas because I know that by teaming with others, we can create better solutions than what any one of us could do alone. I look for Third Alternatives.



**Habit 7:
Sharpen the Saw**

I eat right, exercise, and get enough sleep (body). I learn in lots of ways and places, not just at school (brain). I spend time with family and friends (heart). I take time to find meaningful ways to help people (soul). I balance all four parts of myself.

Family Mission Statements

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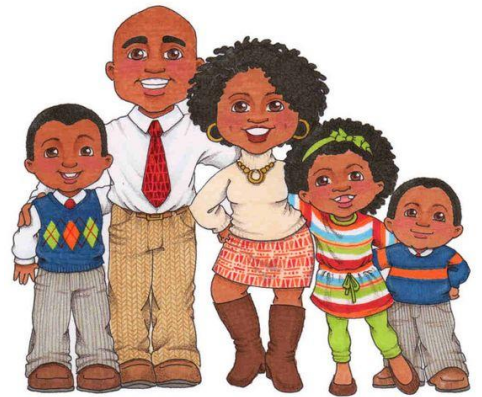
Family Mission Statements

Mission statements have long been a part of organizations. They provide a clear path for what the organization want to accomplish and how they plan to go about doing it. Yet, rarely does a family take the time to write a mission statement—and what organization is more important than a family? By establishing who you are as a family, how you want to be known, and how you plan to do it, you are practicing Habit 2: Begin with the End in Mind. The process is a great way to practice all of the 7 Habits.

STEP 1

Ask yourself these seven questions:

- How do we want our family to be known?
- How do we want to treat each other?
- What is most important to us as a family?
- What are some of our talents, gifts, and abilities?
- What makes us the happiest?
- What makes us unhappy?
- What kind of home do we want to invite friends to?



STEP 2

Write your Family Mission Statement. Consider all four areas:

- Body (health and physical wellbeing)
- Mind (learning)
- Heart (relationships)
- Spirit (inspiration)

Keep it simple, one to two lines, so the youngest family members can memorize it and find it meaningful. Examples: "We are builders," "No empty chairs," "We love each other," "All for one and one for all," etc.

STEP 3

Stay on course.

As parents, you are the role models. Keep smiling and getting back on track.

The promise: By writing a Family Mission Statement, the message to your children is that your family is important. You know what you stand for and how you are going to work together to accomplish it.