



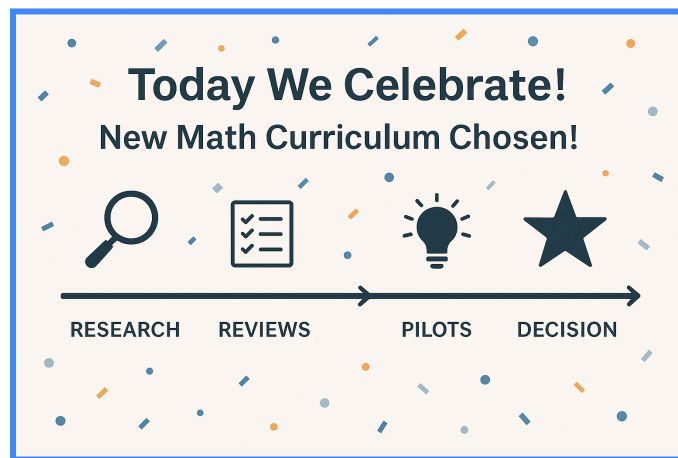
SUPERINTENDENT'S EDUCATION UPDATE

May 9, 2025

2024-2025 School Year

Teaching & Learning

Mathematics Department
iReady Math Curriculum



We are excited to announce that at the elementary consensus meeting, a decision was made to adopt **iReady Mathematics** as our new elementary math high quality instructional materials!

A sincere thank you to the teams who dedicated their time and effort to evaluate all curriculums, pilot, and come to the consensus meeting. Your thoughtful work and commitment are deeply appreciated.



We are confident that these high-quality instructional materials will support our math vision and help us achieve our instructional priorities. ST Math March MATHness Winner!

Congratulations to all of the classes that participated in ST Math March MATHness this year! Everyone solved puzzles, challenged themselves, and continued to become a stronger mathematician!

Congratulations to our school winners! You all did an amazing job each week, especially in the district competition the week before vacation.

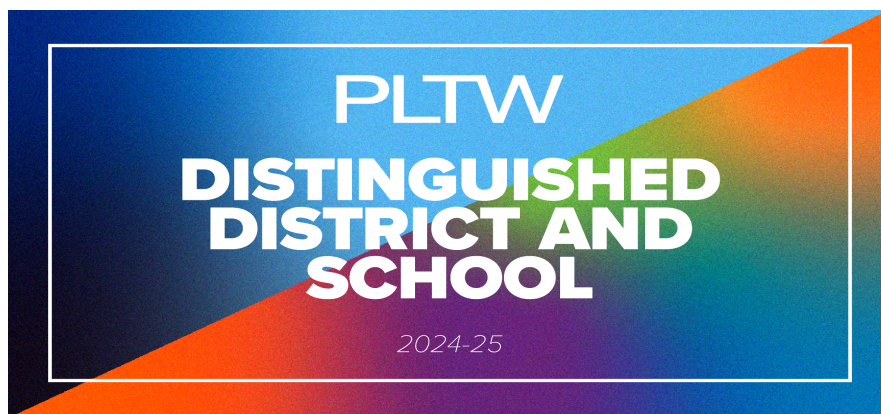
Congratulations to Mr. Witts's 4th grade class at North Elementary! You are the District ST Math March MATHness Champion!!!





Science, Technology, and Engineering

Randolph Public Schools has been recognized as a 2024-25 Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Distinguished District. The PLTW Distinguished District Program Recognition celebrates districts and schools across the U.S. committed to helping students own their education by increasing student engagement, access, and achievement in their PLTW programs. PLTW is a national nonprofit organization that creates transformative learning experiences and empowers students to develop in-demand knowledge and skills for future careers.



Humanities Department

Randolph Public Schools Receive the Investigating History Grant!
Supporting Social Studies Education in Grades 5-7



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Schools is excited to announce that we have been awarded the



Investigating History grant from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE). This grant will directly support our social studies instruction in grades 5 through 7.

The *Investigating History* initiative is part of a statewide effort to improve the quality and depth of history education. With this funding, RPS will receive high-quality instructional materials and professional development that support inquiry-based learning, historical thinking skills, and culturally inclusive content.

Through this initiative, our educators will be better equipped to guide students in asking meaningful questions, analyzing sources, and exploring diverse perspectives that reflect the richness of our shared history.

Get ready for Randolph Reads!!





School Update

Donovan Elementary School (Donovan School)

Our students enjoyed a visit from the Turner Free Library's Mobile Library Van on April 11th! We are so grateful to the library's wonderful librarians who spent the whole day with us and helped us pick out great books!



Our families showed up in high numbers to enjoy Art Night at the Donovan School! Thank you to all of the elementary art teachers across the district, and, of course, our very own Mr. Lescarte, for creating fun activities for all to enjoy!





Our Kindergarten class earned a pizza party for following safe, respectful, and responsible hallway and bathroom rules during our PBIS campaign!

Congratulations to our grade K students!



Ms. Dugas's class enjoyed solving math problems collaboratively, explaining their thinking to one another in teams of three. Great job problem-solving together!



May is bringing field trips and field day! We can't wait!

John F. Kennedy School (JFK School)

Dear Randolph Public Schools Community,

This month at the JFK School has been filled with engaging learning experiences, hands-on activities, and exciting community partnerships that have enriched our students' education. Here are some highlights from our school.

Art Night Extravaganza

Our annual Art Night was a resounding success! Students immersed themselves in a variety of arts and crafts activities, showcasing their creativity and artistic talents. The evening was filled with color, imagination, and joy as families joined in to celebrate the artistic expressions of our young learners.



Booster Fun Run

We held our annual Booster Fun Run, a high-energy event that combines fitness, character education, and fundraising. Students enthusiastically ran an average of 30-35 laps around the Boosterthon Speedway, cheered on by teachers and families. This event not only promotes physical activity but also instills valuable leadership and character principles in our students. Our school raised over \$12,000, which helps our school have more enriching activities.

5th Grade Field Trip to Mass Audubon

Our 5th graders embarked on an educational field trip to a Mass Audubon Sanctuary, where they explored local ecosystems and wildlife. Guided by Teacher Naturalists, students engaged in hands-on activities, learning about the adaptations and interactions of Massachusetts wildlife. This immersive experience deepened their understanding of environmental science and fostered a greater appreciation for nature.

MCAS Assessments

Students in grades 3-5 have completed the English Language Arts (ELA) portion of the MCAS assessments. Additionally, our 5th graders have finished the Science section. We are proud of their hard work and dedication. The Mathematics assessments are scheduled for next week, and we encourage students to continue preparing diligently.

Waste Warrior Project

Our 4th graders participated in the "Be a Waste Warrior" project in the cafeteria, learning about food waste reduction and sustainability. This initiative, part of Randolph Food Services' Discovery Kitchen program,



empowers students to combat food waste both at school and at home. Through nutrition education, students explored food sustainability concepts and sampled plant-forward recipes, promoting healthier and more environmentally friendly eating habits.

We are incredibly proud of our students' accomplishments and the enriching experiences they've had this month. Thank you for your continued support in making the JFK School a place of learning, growth, and community.

North Randolph School (North Randolph)

Mass Audubon Field Trip: Our fifth graders took the opportunity to get outside and explore nature with a trip to the Museum of American Bird Art in Canton.



Our visit provided insight into New England habitats and native species and the rich natural history we have right next door. Science lessons enhanced students' connections to the environment. The weather was a little tricky, but a little sleet never hurt anybody.



Students investigated which type of soil is the best at filtering runoff with a hands-on experiment. They tested the water for pollution, and looked up close at indicator species like frogs and dragonflies. They also discussed the similarities and differences of late season foliage. Afterwards, they drew images of leaves they collected, mixed them up, and challenged each other to match the leaves to the drawing. They had amazing powers of observation!

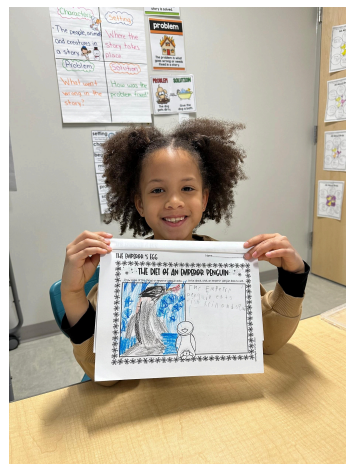
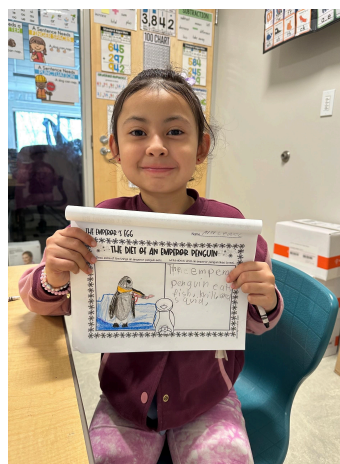




After collecting water samples from a vernal pool, they even did a little shrimp fishing.



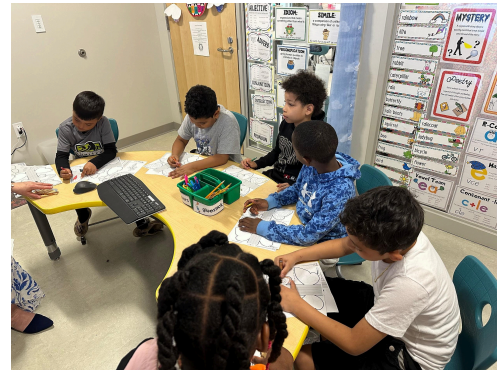
First grade ML students



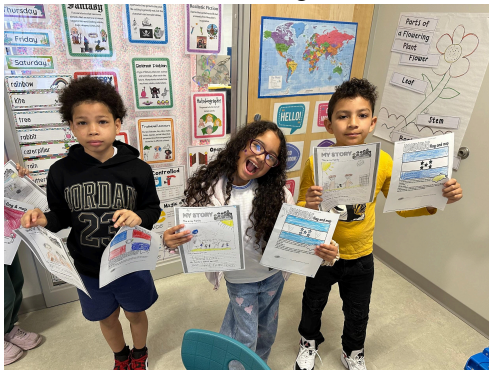


In first grade the month of April was all about birds! Our ML first graders have become bird experts. We began an Emperor Penguin unit where they learned all about the habitat, diet, and appearance of Emperor Penguins. These first graders have worked hard to make their Emperor Penguin books.

Second Grade ML Students



Grade two has been exploring the wonderful world of pollination. Students researched pollinators, created scientific diagrams, and wrote informational paragraphs using academic vocabulary to explain the pollination process. Each student's paragraph consisted of a topic sentence, supporting details, and a concluding sentence. They are scientists in the making.





Newcomer ML students

Our newcomer ML students have had a lot of fun sharing and teaching their classmates all about where they are from. They colored flags that represent their home countries. They also shared with each other a family tradition that is special to them. Although they are from different parts of the world they realized they have a lot in common!

Something to look forward to...

The ML Spring Family event is happening the first week of May! We cannot wait to have our ML families join us. We will be planting flowers for spring!





Waste Warrior Project in Gr 4

On April 8th, students at North Randolph Elementary School got creative by transforming repurposed milk cartons into basil planters. During the activity, they learned about the importance of growing their own food and how simple actions, like reusing materials, can help reduce food waste. After planting, students had the opportunity to sample a pesto penne dish. While many were initially hesitant, most gave it a try and shared positive feedback.

Before returning to their classrooms, each student received a basil plant care tips and recipe card to continue the fun at home!



Young Elementary School (Young School)

Although shortened by a break, April was a busy month here at the Young School. Students worked and continue to work hard on MCAS testing. We had a visit from some beekeepers. Students completed many projects and end of the year planning is in full swing. We had a lovely book fair and ice cream social and loved seeing so many of our friends playing together in the early evening.





Second grade students studied the art of beekeeping, which is so vital to ensuring a steady food supply and healthy environment. We were very fortunate to have a local beekeeper come to classes and demonstrate the equipment needed to be a successful beekeeper. Students were able to ask questions and touch the equipment. Curiosity was piqued and we may have some budding beekeepers in the midst.



Our third grade students held their annual Frog Fest early in April. Students worked in teams to research a wide variety of frog species. They created projects with colorful displays, scientific facts, creative



writing and 3D models to share their knowledge about their frog with families and fellow students. Parents came to visit and learn about frogs and other classes stopped in as well. Frog Fest was a wonderful celebration of learning for our third grade scholars.

We held another amazing family event in conjunction with our Fabulous PTO. We partnered with a local book vendor to hold a spring book fair and social event. While people perused and purchased books, they were treated to ice cream and snacks and played on our playground. Bubbles, sidewalk chalk, and other items were available for students and many children enjoyed the playground. We are thankful for such a supportive community here at the Young School.



Randolph Community Middle School (RCMS)

Thank you to **Patrick St. Martin/HEY Randolph** for his partnership with Mrs. Sleboda this year to further the work they started last year. **HEY Randolph** is providing professional development at no cost to RCMS for Health Teachers in the [CATCH My Breath](#) program, a pro-active youth prevention Vaping Program. With Mr. St. Martin's support, Mrs. Sleboda was also able to register a chapter with the 84 Movement which provided an amazing leadership opportunity to our scholars. In addition, RCMS will get some grant money to continue this important work.

Ms. Naeemah Kennedy/Girls in Action Advisor brought ten RCMS students to the [ENUFF: The 84 Movement's Youth Day of Action](#). ENUFF (formerly Kick Butts Day) is a national day of education and advocacy around tobacco, vape, and nicotine prevention. ENUFF is "ending nicotine use for the future." RCMS scholars showed up in the best way possible at the State House. Not only did they meet with other scholars from across the state; they also met with legislators. Our 8th grade leaders stepped up, they led us around the State House, organized their groups, and facilitated the conversations between their groups and the legislators. They coached the 7th and 6th graders on what they should say and they did not disappoint. These leaders asked Ms. Kennedy clarifying questions only when needed.

Our leaders met with State Representative Bruce Ayers who was amazing with them. While our leaders were invested in educating about what they are seeing in their communities around vaping, they found a way to introduce the topics for their student-led civics project. Go 8th grade changemakers! After our photo opportunity with Attorney General

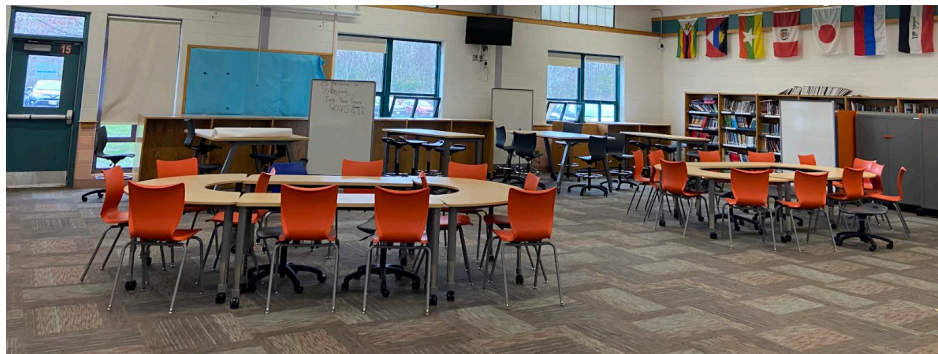


Andrea Campbel, Girls In Action invited her to their women's event. So all in all, the day was a great one. Please ask them all about it and shout them out. Each leader on the trip was amazing.





RCMS MakerSpace: Mrs. Sleboda is pleased to report that the grant she wrote with Mass Life Sciences was awarded, which enabled RCMS to create a really cool MakerSpace in the library. This innovative space provides a collaborative and flexible learning environment for students and teachers. Thank you to Ms. Pomarole and Mr. Smith for their support in writing the grant.





Volleyball Club

Ms. Sampson and Mr. Papalambros are co-advising the Volleyball Club. Players are having a great time!



Chess and Game Club

Mr. R.C. advises the Chess and Game Club. The club offers a fun and welcoming space for students to learn, teach, and socialize. Students are encouraged to bring new games to share or discover exciting ones with friends. In addition to casual play, members can participate in friendly chess and Pokémon tournaments, fostering both competition and camaraderie.



Japanese Cultural History: Zen Gardens and Tea Ceremonies

On the last day of February, students in Mr. Goodman and Mr. R-C's Grade 7 Social Studies classes engaged in a hands-on activity to learn more about the cultural traditions of Tea Ceremonies and Zen Dry Gardening for the end of Unit 1 on East Asian History. Students got into



groups or worked on their own to design their own Dry Gardens using concepts that they learned in previous lessons!



The **Multicultural Club at RCMS** hosted a vibrant Multicultural Show, organized by Mrs. Maria Apale in partnership with Dean Rick Brown's Hawaiian Party. The main theme of the program was to promote the understanding of unique cultural and ethnic heritage. This incredible event had a resounding triumph and brought together students, parents, and staff to celebrate cultural heritage through music, performances, and storytelling. Thank you everyone who participated and helped make this event a beautiful reminder of unity in our diversity.





Silk Routes Economy Game

For this adapted Investigating History Lesson, students were tasked with exploring and evaluating the different goods and ideas that traveled along the ancient Silk Routes throughout Asia, Africa, and Europe. Before our culminating activity the following day, both Mr. Goodman and Mr. R-C's classes met each period to play the "Economy Game".





In this activity, students are asked to reflect on the experiences, challenges, and benefits of Silk Route trade by engaging in a simulation where they created trade routes between themselves, other students, and designated "markets". The students then engaged in a multi-class reflection where they shared their findings from the activity.

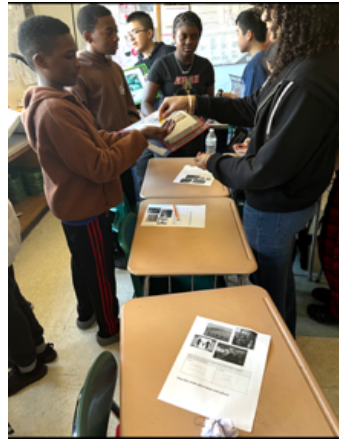


Silk Routes Interactive Exhibit

Over the course of a week, Mr. Goodman and Mr. R-C's classes researched and synthesized information from multiple sources to create historically-based characters in an Interactive Exhibit. Students built upon their learning from class, as well as their participation in the



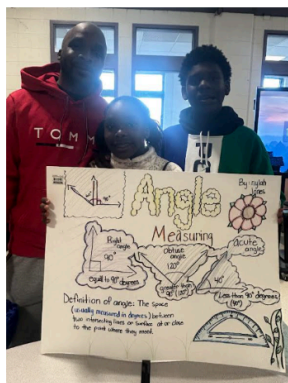
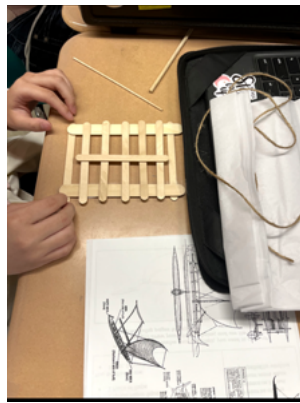
"economy game" to help them choose roles and embody different historical people that may have traveled on the ancient Silk Routes. The classrooms were set up to reflect different "Oasis Towns" where a variety of travelers, traders, and officials would have traveled and exchanged goods and ideas. The students "played" these characters using historical empathy to show what they had learned about the experiences of ancient people groups.



Polynesian "V'a'a" Des



Students in Mr. Goodman and Mr. R-C's Social Studies classes also got an opportunity to apply what they learned about indigenous science through the Polynesian cultural practices of "wayfinding" and voyaging canoe design. In Unit 4, the students learned how we can use native sustainability and cultural practices to better inform our present relationship with each other and the environment. We put this into practice by designing and building our own Polynesian "wa'a", or voyaging canoes, and then testing them out to see what challenges ancient mariners would have faced crossing the pacific ocean without modern technology!





Our **Math & Financial Literacy Community Night** was such a success. The student presentations were outstanding, showcasing their knowledge, confidence, and enthusiasm. It was clear that their hard work throughout the year paid off in the depth of their discussions. Shout out to Laura Ottaviani, Math Coordinator; Courtney Harrision/RCMS Instructional Coach; and our teachers: Farouk Brown, Alissa Kennedy, and Susan Smith.

Thank you to the staff members who stopped by and supported the event!



Finding Nemo Jr.: RCMS was proud to present *Finding Nemo Jr.*! A heartfelt thank you to Mr. Condakes and Ms. Colby for producing the show, and to Mr. R.C. and Mx. Berman for their outstanding work



managing set design and crew. A special shout-out to our incredible Stage Manager, Jamai Damon Judge, from Randolph High School.

Congratulations to the entire cast and crew for putting on a fantastic performance that was truly enjoyed by all!



A Historic Achievement for RCMS Bands!

On April 7th and 8th, grade bands made history as they competed in their first-ever music festival, marking a milestone for RCMS. The MICCA Music Festival, one of the most prestigious events of its kind in the nation, draws over 150 ensembles—bands, choruses, and orchestras from across Massachusetts to perform at seven locations throughout the state.





We're thrilled to announce that RCMS earned a **Silver Medal** for their outstanding performance! This remarkable accomplishment is a testament to the dedication, talent, and hard work of our student musicians.

We couldn't be prouder to represent Randolph with such excellence and artistry on a statewide stage!

MLL students at RCMS demonstrated their artistic abilities by creating beautiful jewelry from beads. An enjoyable activity for all!





Ms. Gonzales is happy to support the RHS Cafe who deliver delicious coffee and baked goods to RCMS once a month ☕️🍩



RCMS PRIDE Awards



The PBIS Team (Ms. Loney, Mr. Trowers, Ms. Kennedy, Mr. R.C., Ms. Whooley, Ms. Collins) hosted an awards ceremony on March 5th for scholars who were recognized showing PRIDE during term 2. Students received a certificate and a goodie bag. There was lots of cheering and plenty of smiles. The PBIS team is planning a few more activities and events.



Please congratulate these scholars.

Term 2 Awards

Try It On:

6th Grade

Adam Nguyen

Christian Monroe

Bella Tran

Loica Joseph

7th Grade

Alexa Browne

Nate Blanc

Ryan Tran

8th Grade



Mya Xuan Nguyen
Mical LaFleur

Leadership:
6th Grade

Kamsi Abarah
Gwynnie Cassellius
Makayla Scott

7th Grade

Troy Allston
Junior Francois
Lennon Nguyen
Aiden Valentin

8th Grade

Julia Uong
Saim Daniel

Changemaker:
6th Grade

Elizabeth Nguyen
Iyad Elkoulti
Reyneris Espinal
Lukisha Dorisca

7th Grade

Joice Pina Fernandes
Gabrielle Juste

8th Grade

Kayla Doan
Dwayne Castor
Leon Smith



Sunshine:

6th Grade

Leilynn Thermidor

Emmanuel Samonte

Ian Manning

Levi Zamilus

7th Grade

Jayden Armstrong

Van Chu

Jineily Castro

Jubbe Jn Luis

Myanah Cooley

8th Grade

Amani Andrade Hay

Prince Kinyanjui

Upstander:

6th Grade

Olivia Vo

Josephine Montaganon

Tristan Birkett

7th Grade

Riahh Granderson

Nylah Jones

Malik LaMotte

8th Grade

Jemmy Tran

Angel Dessert

Manny Vazquez



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for all- me and you.

INTEGRITY
leads our way.

DIVERSITY
make us strong each day.

EXCELLENCE
drive us, that's our stride.

Together, we shine with PRIDE!



Randolph High School (RHS)

RHS' Annual Learning Showcase will be on May 15th.

Randolph Community - The annual Learning Showcase at RHS is scheduled for 5:30 PM on Thursday, May 15th. We invite you to join us for this event that highlights the incredible things happening across RHS. This is also a perfect opportunity for 8th grade families to see all that RHS has to offer.

There are many exciting events planned for the evening. Authentic student work will be on display all over the first floor, which includes special projects, presentations, essays and more.

We will have special performances during the evening by our RHS Dance students, RHS Drama Club and the RHS Band.

There will be information available about our new Early College program, Athletics programming, Advanced Placement classes, the Codman Square Health Center and more. Lastly, please know that dinner will be served to all in attendance at 5:00 PM, so please come early and come hungry. We look forward to seeing you there.

Meet the Class of 2025

This panoramic photo of our 12th graders will be going into the RHS 2025 yearbook. This is of course an exciting time of year for our 12th graders. We're now in the final stretch of their journey at Randolph High School.



Upcoming Events for our Seniors:

- ★ May 14th - Scholarship Awards Nights
- ★ May 28th - Six Flags Trip for Seniors
- ★ May 30th - Last day of school for Seniors
- ★ June 3rd - Graduation rehearsal & Senior Barbecue
- ★ June 5th - Senior Prom
- ★ June 7th - RHS Graduation (rain date is June 8th)

Updates about our Transition Program

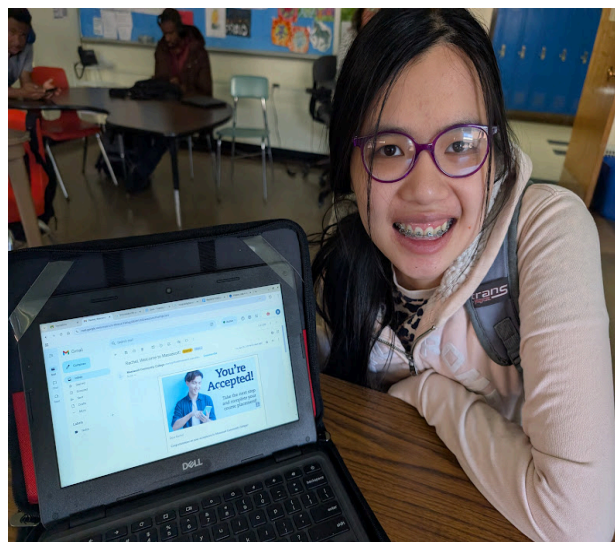
In April, our Post Grad students traveled to Massasoit Community College for its Spring Career Fair—using the BAT bus to get there! This trip offered a valuable opportunity to practice public transportation skills



while also networking with employers, exploring job opportunities, and handing out resumes. While there, they also took advantage of a free professional photo shoot, perfect for updating their LinkedIn profiles or future job applications. It was a great step forward in building both independence and career readiness.



Post Grad Rachel was accepted into Massasoit's Fine Arts degree program. She is one of 6 Post Grads heading to MCC in the fall taking classes towards their associates degrees!





Post Grad students have been making the most of their YMCA memberships this spring. At the Y, they participate in group exercise classes, walk the indoor track, and swim in the pool. Taking part in community resources like the YMCA helps broaden their sense of community and encourages them to explore new recreation and leisure activities. Here are Malik and Chris enjoying a high-energy BodyCombat class!



In January, nine Post Grad students participated in a free employment workshop offered by DDS and Triangle, Inc. Throughout the program, they strengthened their resumes, practiced interview skills, and even had the opportunity to purchase professional clothing to prepare for future job opportunities. Their hard work was recognized last month at a celebration held at Town Line Lanes in Malden, where each student received a certificate of completion. Congratulations to all on this important milestone!



BUILD Program Updates

It is with great pride and heartfelt congratulations that we write to celebrate your outstanding achievements in the BUILD Boston Program at Randolph High School. Your commitment to entrepreneurship, innovation, and academic excellence reflects the very spirit of leadership and resilience that will shape the future of our communities.

We would like to offer special commendations to Martin Griffith, the recipient of the prestigious \$12,000 BUILD Family Scholarship. Martin, your dedication, entrepreneurial mindset, and tireless pursuit of excellence have clearly distinguished you among your peers. This award is a testament not only to your hard work but to your vision and potential to make lasting contributions in your academic and professional journey.

Equally, I extend my sincere congratulations to Lucas Ly and Shirley Osho, recipients of the \$500 Seed Scholarship. Your innovative ideas and



enterprising spirit have earned you this well-deserved recognition. May this support serve as a catalyst for your continued growth and the realization of your goals.

To all students in the BUILD Boston Program, your participation in this transformative experience speaks volumes about your courage to think big, act boldly, and embrace challenges. We are confident that the skills and character you have cultivated will serve you well as you move forward.

Randolph Athletics New England Football Journal Interviews

Several members of the Blue Devil Football program were interviewed by the New England Football Journal last week. Captains Alin Norisca and Abe Cornet were interviewed about their accomplishments and goals for after high school. Coach Marshall was interviewed about building the program into a perennial state championship contender. Take a listen below to see how great these young people represented our school. You can also copy and paste the links into your web browser.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NtyKjHEIVvA> (Abe & Alin)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=99IG1AJ0vB4> (Coach Marshall)

Fall Sports Open For Registration

Fall sport registration is open for the upcoming school year for both Randolph Community Middle School and Randolph High school. Below is the registration link as well as flyers attached.

RHS Link:

<https://students.arbitersports.com/randolph-hs/high-school-fall-athletics-registration-2025>



RCMS Link:

<https://students.arbitersports.com/randolph-hs/middle-school-athletics-registration-fall-2025>

Blue Devil Academy Youth Football Camp

RHS Athletics annual Youth Football Camp, Blue Devil Academy, will take place on June 23rd-26th, 9 AM-1 PM at Randolph High School. The camp is co-ed for grades 3-8. Check-in will begin at 8:30 AM each day. Campers will participate in football drills, play 7 on 7 games, have a provided lunch and receive a camp t-shirt for the week. This is a non-contact camp and athletic clothes, sneakers, and cleats are fine to wear. Registration for those who sign-up prior to May 15th is \$80.00 and after that the camp will be \$100.00.

<https://students.arbitersports.com/randolph-hs/blue-devil-academy-football-camp>

2024/2025 MWRA Poster & Writing Contest: MWRA at 40!

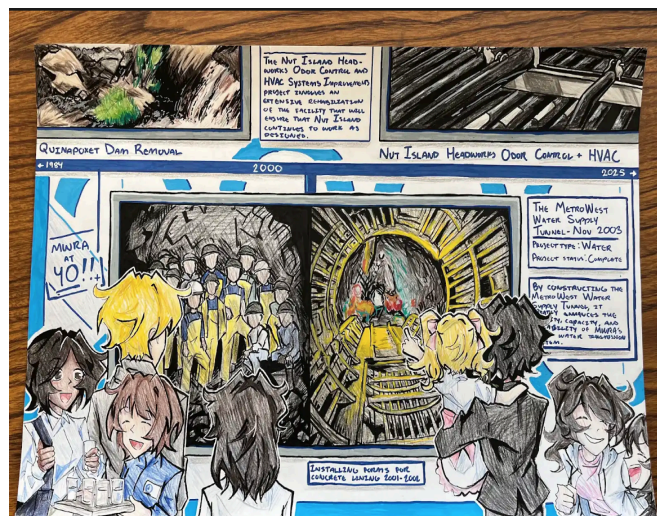
2024/2025 MWRA Poster & Writing Contest

Students were asked to use their creative skills to create a poster highlighting one or more of the projects that MWRA has been involved with since its creation in 1985. The following students participated in this year's contest.

1. Cindy Huynh 1st place Winner
2. Davina Tang 2nd place winner
3. Trish Nguyen
4. Olivia Vo
5. Zoralis Anderson Honorable Mention
6. Azlan Hussain
7. yassine Azoui
8. Angela Do



9. Emily Ly: Honorable mention
10. Thanh Dang
11. Kerlysha Michel
12. Jeremiah Owens
13. Randy Nguyen
14. Thales de Oliveira Moreira
15. Medweed Jean
16. Roodlyn Jean
17. Doriann Montilus
18. Dylan Tran
19. Elijah Nithnhalay
20. Melyssa Dasilva
21. Mythshael Raphael



Cindy Huynh



Music Department Update

MICCA

The Music Department is proud to share that the RCMS 7th and 8th grade bands participated in their first-ever music festival - the prestigious MICCA Music Festival! Over 150 ensembles from across Massachusetts participated in this festival and Randolph earned a silver medal for their outstanding performance! This milestone reflects the dedication, talent, and hard work of our amazing student musicians who represented Randolph with such pride and excellence.

All Chorus Concert

Chorus students in grades 5-12 participated in our All Chorus District-wide concert on April 8th. Students showcased pop-themed music conducted by Ms. Goddu, Mr. Condakes, and Ms. Bowker-Wickersham.

Jr. SEMSBA

We're proud to recognize freshmen Sarah Bui and Davina Tang for representing Randolph at the 2025 Southeastern Massachusetts School Bandmasters Association (SEMSBA) Junior Music Festival, held at Oliver Ames High School. Both students were selected to perform with the Junior Band, joining talented young musicians from across the region for two days of intensive rehearsals and a culminating concert on Saturday, May 3rd. Sarah and Davina both had outstanding performances and were wonderful ambassadors of our music program—congratulations!





RHS Musical - Legally Blonde

RHS Theater Company proudly presented Legally Blonde, the Musical, on May 2 and 3. There were 66 students involved in both cast and crew! Audience members were immediately captivated by the energetic first number, "Omigod" featuring smiling seniors Daneesha Celestin, Sofia Monteiro, and more! Legally Blonde leads Syntyche Guerrier and Mason Chacon did a great job singing, dancing, and keeping things comedic!

RHS Band Update

The Randolph Winter Percussion Ensemble also made a powerful comeback this season, earning 1st place in their division at their very first competition. These students dedicated countless hours to perfecting their music and performance. On Saturday, April 5th, the group competed at NESBA Finals and was named 2025 NESBA Percussion Scholastic Concert A Class Champions! Meanwhile, our concert ensembles also had standout performances this spring. The Randolph High School Concert Band earned a Silver Medal at the Massachusetts Instrumental and Choral Conductors Association (MICCA) Festival on Thursday, April 4th. The following day, the Randolph Community Middle School Band also received a Silver Medal at the MICCA Festival. Both performances took place at King Philip Regional High School and reflect the hard work and musical growth of our student musicians.

This season has been a true testament to the passion, dedication, and resilience of our students. We are so proud of all they have accomplished and are grateful to the staff, families, and volunteers who helped make it all possible. Thank you for your continued support—we can't wait to see what comes next!



Congratulations to Randolph High School students Mehdi Boujane, Tanya Le, and Sofia Monteiro on their selection to the 2025 Massachusetts Lions All-State Band! This prestigious honor brought together top student musicians from across the state for a three-day music festival held at the DoubleTree in Leominster, culminating in a public concert at South Community High School in Worcester on Saturday, April 26th. Mehdi, Tanya, and Sofia represented Randolph with pride, showcasing their talent, commitment, and musicianship throughout a weekend of intensive rehearsals and memorable performances. We are proud of their accomplishment!



Special Education Update

May 15th is Global Accessibility Awareness Day!

Global Accessibility Awareness Day's purpose is to get everyone talking, thinking and learning about digital access and inclusion, and people with disabilities/impairments.

Common Disabilities/Impairments



Visual

People who are blind need alternative text descriptions for meaningful images and use the keyboard and not a mouse to interact with interactive elements.



Hearing

People who are deaf or hard of hearing will need captioning for video presentations and visual indicators in place of audio cues.



Motor

People with motor impairments may need alternative keyboards, eye control or some other adaptive hardware to help them type and navigate on their devices.



Cognitive

An uncluttered screen, consistent navigation and the use of plain language would be useful for people with different learning disabilities/impairments.

SEPAC (Special Education Advisory Council) Update

The Webinar "*Basic Rights: Understanding the IEP*" was a success. Multiple family members and staff attended the well-received webinar, participated and gained knowledge of the new IEP and their rights as a parent/guardian. This webinar was presented by the Federation for Children with Special Needs. For other webinars please visit their event section on their website at [FCSN Events](#).

SEPAC will be sending a survey out in late June to families to gain information and feedback about topics that would interest them for engagement series/sessions for next year.



If you have a question and would like to reach out to SEPAC please send them an email at sepac.randolphma@gmail.com

PRE-K News

April was a busy month in Pre-K! We participated in the JFK Annual Fundraiser - The Fun Run. Family and friends donated and our students walked, ran, jumped, and hopped along the course.



Did you know that listening to music can enhance memory, attention and problem-solving skills? Dancing to music helps children build their motor skills while practicing self-expression! Pre-K also had a special guest - Mr. Wayne Potash. Mr. Potash brought music and movement to each of our classes. Students and staff enjoyed the session, singing and dancing to the music.



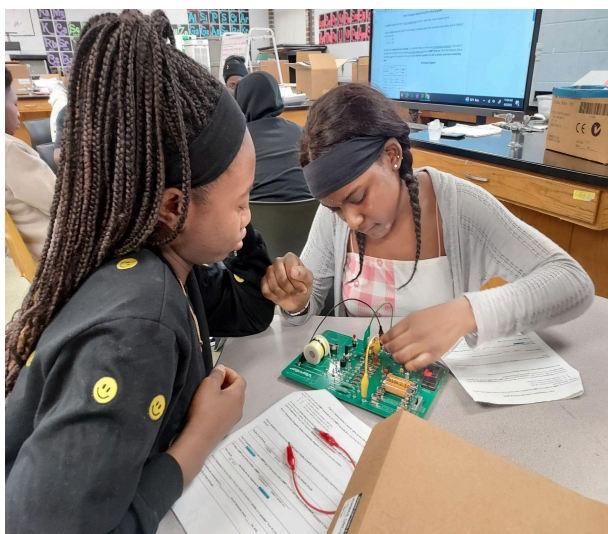




Multilingual Learners Updates

Hands-On Science In Mrs. Hui Ning Marsigliano's Class

Multilingual learners in Mrs. Hui Ning Marsigliano's *Energy and Environment* class recently rolled up their sleeves for an exciting hands-on lab. Students worked in teams to build electric circuits, comparing the energy efficiency of series and parallel circuits. Through this interactive experiment, students deepened their understanding of core science concepts while practicing collaboration, critical thinking, and language skills—all in one engaging activity!





Registration Updates

Important Registration and Residency Updates

We're pleased to share the following important updates with you:

- **Residency Verification for Incoming Grades 6 and 9:**
As part of our district's residency policy, all incoming 6th and 9th grade families must complete residency verification. A letter outlining the process was shared last week—please review it carefully for your reference.
- **Pre-K Registration Opens May 12:**
We're excited to begin registration for incoming Pre-K students on May 12. For more information and to begin the process, [\[click here\]](#).
- **Registration for Grades 1-12+:**
Registration is now open for new students entering Grades 1-12+. If you have questions about the process or need support, [\[click here\]](#) for detailed information.



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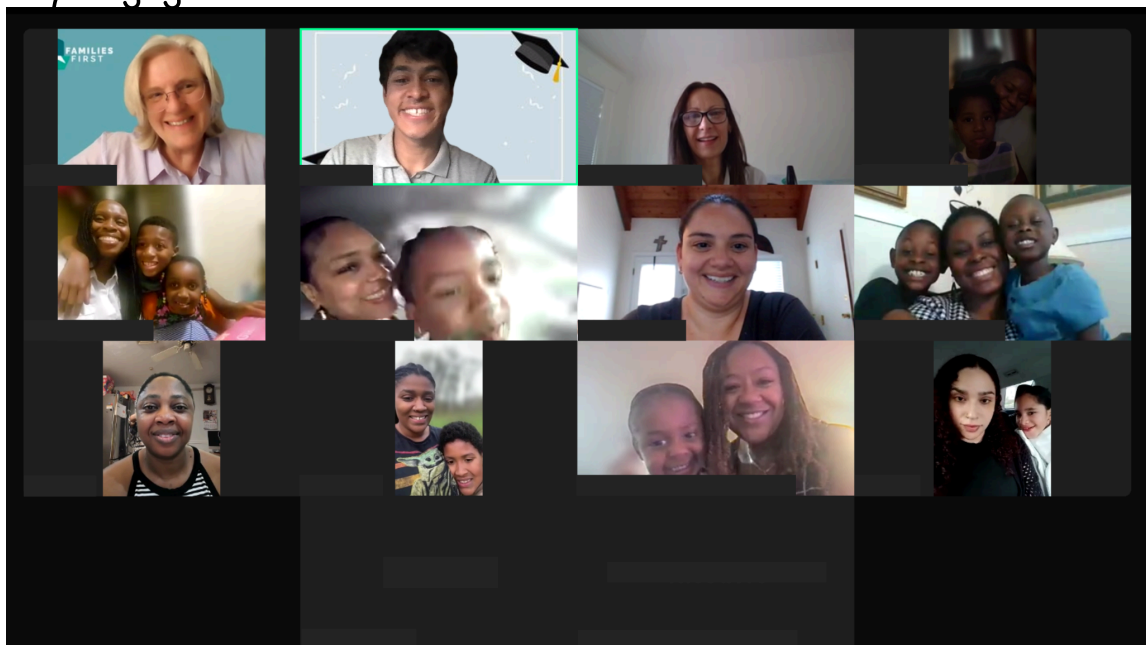
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Family Engagement





Celebrating Our Power of Parenting Graduates!

On April 29, 2025, we proudly concluded our *Power of Parenting* program, a meaningful collaboration with Families First. We're thrilled to share that 10 parents successfully graduated from the program, out of 26 total participants.

Throughout the course, parents explored and practiced a range of positive parenting strategies, deepening their knowledge and building community with one another.

Please join us in congratulating our graduates:

Maria Zumbado, Barbara Pena, Alexis Molokwu, Chaneka Franklin, Funmi Olumuyiwa, Samenta Jacinthe, Temitayo Akinfolarin, Lorraine Lacroix-Williamson, Theodore Cudy, and Dania Marquise Maniga.

A special highlight of the graduation was a heartfelt poem written by one of our parent graduates, capturing the essence of the parenting journey. Read it below:



04/29/2025

Parenting

The journey for which there is no return

The longest walk where one must learn

To guide those who come after us

Discerning what to pass down and what deserves some unlearning

To be looked up to, to lead

To kiss a tiny hand, or bandage a small bleed

A loving embrace, a scolding in haste

Oh, what a journey it is to raise little ones up in this place

Such little room for mistakes, smiles, tears and birthday cakes

Having children is such an unpredictable case

They will fill up the space in your heart and your home

You will never again be alone

Cherish the moments both good and bad because one day there will be no more to be had.

- Alexis Molokwu



Save the Date: Multilingual Health & Wellness Event
Friday, May 23 | 5:30-7:30 PM
Randolph High School

We're thrilled to invite our multilingual-speaking families to the second annual Multilingual Newcomers Conference—an evening dedicated to health, wellness, and community connection.

This year's focus is on two important topics:

🧠 Mental Health and ❤️ Sexual Health



Presented by trusted experts Ms. Marie Pierre Victor and Ms. Jane Truitt from Codman Square Health Center.

✨ Highlights include:

- Free dinner for all attendees
- Resource tables from local organizations
- Community vendors and support services

All are welcome! Come learn, connect, and grow together. For more information, contact Evelyn Morales at moralese@randolph.k12.ma.us.

DEIB UPDATE:

May is **Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage** Month, a time to honor the rich histories, cultures, and contributions of AAPI communities across the United States. Throughout this month, we recognize the diverse voices and experiences that shape our schools, neighborhoods, and nation—from trailblazers in civil rights and education to everyday heroes in our own community. Join us in celebrating and uplifting AAPI heritage through learning, storytelling, and acts of solidarity.

Check out the [slideshow below](#) created by **Christine Miley-Letournea** to learn more about Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage.



Sincerely,

Alpha Sanford, M.Ed CAGS, Director of Special Education and Student Services

Danielle Galvin, Assistant Director of Special Education

Dr. Jennifer Herring, Assistant Director of Student Services

Kait Zanzerkia, Assistant Director of Multilingual Learners and World Language

Renée Downes-Gilkes, Early Childhood Coordinator

Regina Federle, Registrar



Food Services Update



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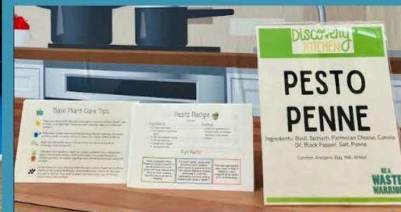
Help us Celebrate School Lunch Hero Day!



On May 2nd, we celebrate the school lunch heroes who serve over 3,300 meals and snacks to students at RPS every day! Their dedication to serving safe, nutritious meals to our students ensures that students are adequately fueled to take on any academic challenges. Make sure to stop by your cafeteria this month to thank your School Lunch Hero!

Recent Events at RPS!

Be a Waste Warrior at North Randolph and John F. Kennedy Elementary



Fourth grade students at North Randolph and John F. Kennedy Elementary Schools got involved in making basil planters out of re-purposed school milk cartons, learned about the benefits of reducing food waste on our planet, and sampled a penne pesto dish.

UP NEXT:



This month's Discovery Kitchen theme is **Summer Fun**. We'll be in the cafeterias serving up seasonal fruits and highlighting refreshing ways to stay hydrated all summer long!



Seafood is May's Harvest of the Month! Rich in protein, healthy fats, and nutrients like omega-3s, seafood supports brain health, heart health, and overall wellness. The USDA recommends eating seafood at least twice a week, how do you like to prepare it? From grilled salmon to fish tacos, there are endless ways to enjoy it.

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