



### Superintendent Weekly Note #1

**Keep the Main Thing the Main Thing...It's About Kids!!!!**

**RIS Mission:** *Our mission is to inspire and empower all students to reach their maximum potential: **one student, one lesson, one day at a time.***

#### Things I CAN Control...

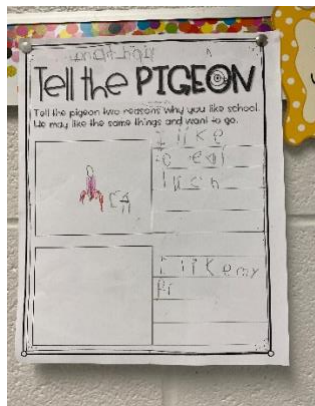
1. My **ATTITUDE**
2. My **EFFORT**
3. My **BEHAVIOR**
4. My **ACTIONS** to be a Great Team Member

*Continue to focus on the RIS four core beliefs:  
It's about Kids! —Accountability—Transparency—Communication.*

☺ *Positives across the district.....*

#### Russell Primary School (From the desk of Mr. Crager)

- We have had a great first 3 days. The students have fallen back into a routine and report being happy to get back to school.
- Kindergartners excited to experience eating in the cafeteria.
- First and Second Graders are sharing what they like about school and all about me information with their teachers and classmates.
- It is going to be a great year!





**Russell-McDowell Intermediate** (From the desk of Mrs. Wright)

This is the BEST start to school that I can remember! Students are doing a super job of learning and following expectations, and everything is flowing smoothly!

- Students are doing a great job of listening for their buses and we have had a record-setting week getting our students to where they need to be quickly at dismissal times!
- Our custodial crew has the building shiny and ready for our new year!
- Each classroom teacher chose a "destination" for their students. Some students are spending a year in space while others may be skipping through the Wizard of Oz! The hallways and classrooms look incredible!
- We are looking forward to GOING PLACES and growing this year at RMIS!



**Russell Middle School** (From the desk of Mr. Frasure)

- Great start to the year!
- New drop off system is working fantastic.
- Custodians are doing an excellent job of keeping our school clean. Front office staff is doing an amazing job.

- The teachers are doing an excellent job on building those relationships with their students creating a positive learning environment.
- Cafeteria workers are Rockstar's. The food has been outstanding!
- “*Bee Positive*” initiative is off and running.
- 7th grade boys football beat McKell 12-0.
- 8th grade boys football beat McKell 14-12.
- 8th grade girls basketball beat a good Johnson Central team.

**Russell High School** (From the desk of Mr. Caniff)

- Girls and Boys Soccer are both off to 2-1 starts.
- Volleyball is off to a 2-0 start on the season.
- The boys golf team has won the Ashland and Pikeville Invitational tournaments.
- First Boys home football game tonight at 8:00 vs. Boone County.
- Glad to be back!

**Russell Area Technology Center** (From the desk of Mrs. S. Moore)

- The Building Looks Amazing Mr. Roy Craft and Teachers had the building ready for students to return.

Sometime being nice is just SIMPLE- Thank you to “Simply Southern” for the donation of merchandise to students to start the year.



**Russell Preschool** (From the desk of Mrs. Staton)

- Teachers and staff have been in meetings this week learning new strategies to improve student outcomes. We are so excited to meet families next week and have our Lil Red Devils in class! Teachers will schedule meet and greets with you for next week. Take a look at our social media pages to learn about exciting things happening in preschool! Fb: Russell Preschool Community, Twitter: @RussellPreK Insta: russell\_preschool.

**What's happening at central office / district this week?**

- **August Meeting Tonight! All are welcome to attend. Begins at 6:00 PM.**
- **September Board of Education Meeting—Monday, September 26 at 6:00 PM in the Central Office board room. This is an open meeting and a great opportunity to learn what is going on in the district. Great leadership opportunity!**