

Bennett C. Russell Elementary
PBS Summary
2007-08

Our Team

1. Pam -Principal/PBS Administrative Representative
2. April -Assistant Principal/PBS Data Specialist
3. Elizabeth -1st grade teacher/PBS Timekeeper
4. Alicia -Music teacher/PBS Recorder
5. Carolyn -ESE teacher
6. Cam -2nd grade teacher
7. Misty -4th grade teacher/PBS communications
8. Misty -Guidance Counselor/PBS Coach-Team Leader

School-Wide Expectations

- S - Show Kindness and Respect
- O - Only Do Your Best
- A - Attendance Is Important
- R - Responsibility Is the Rest

Our PBS expectations are embedded within our vision and mission statements.

Vision

Bennett C. Russell Elementary
is a school in which all stakeholders are
SOARING to New Heights in Learning!

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Mission

The mission of Russell Elementary is to help each child learn in an environment of sharing, caring, laughing, questioning, risking and growing. We have made a strong commitment to create a positive climate for learning in which all students can reach their fullest potential. Through the

collective commitment of all stakeholders we will:

S— Show kindness and respect:

*Students will demonstrate kindness and respect by accepting and valuing the individual and cultural differences of others

*Staff members will create a sensitive, caring atmosphere that incorporates enjoyment, compassion and positive relationships throughout the entire school community

*The parents will reinforce and support the SOAR expectations taught within the school environment

O—Only do your best:

*High expectations for student learning and behavior will be emphasized by all stakeholders.

*Students will learn to challenge themselves to recognize their abilities and strengths. They will be risk-takers as they strive to use their full potential to become productive, life-long learners in our community.

*Staff members will utilize opportunities for professional growth by taking an active role in personal and professional enrichment in order to create a positive environment which ensures individual student achievement and high student expectations

*Parents will ensure their children are prepared for learning by supporting and reinforcing the teachers' and school's academic and behavior goals through proactive communication

A— Attendance is Important:

*Each day students will arrive on time, be well prepared to positively meet and accept their learning challenges

*Staff members will recognize the importance of their own attendance and its impact on student learning. Staff will also recognize the value of involvement in community and school related activities.

*Parents will demonstrate the importance of attendance by ensuring their children are at school, on time, each day

R— Responsibility is the Rest:

*Our school will project Russell pride by having a safe, clean, nurturing, and inviting environment

*All stakeholders will strive to ensure a connection through communication among the school, home, and community

*Students are held accountable and are responsible for their academic performance, behavior, attitude, and communication of needs

*Parents will be well informed and will have a central role in the education of their child. Parents will serve as collaborative partners, interested in and actively involved in the educational program.

*Staff will be knowledgeable, active learners who are skillful instructors and effective listeners and communicators. They will take responsibility for their own professional development and support the professional development of their colleagues.

*We will strive to create and maintain an atmosphere that promotes the healthy emotional, intellectual, social and physical growth of each student.

Reward System

We created Cardinal Cash (C.C.), which are laminated "tickets" we randomly give students who are demonstrating our SOAR expectations. They collect these on a monthly basis. At the end of each month, students redeem one C.C. for the big "Cardinal Cash-In" event. Past events have included Stinky Feet and a Movie day, Pajama and Camo Day, and Playground, P.E. and Pop Day (to celebrate our new playground equipment). Any extra C.C. may be redeemed for raffle tickets that are entered into the monthly drawing. One winner is picked from each class to receive a prize. The more tickets, they better their odds! Also, each class picks one student a month to be student of the month. That is the child who best demonstrates the SOAR expectations. That student receives a special Red C.C., a certificate, and other prizes on our ITV show.