

## **Promoting Literacy at Home**

January 23, 2020 8:30 a.m. Lincoln School

Parents play a critical role in developing children who are life-long readers. Mr. Faigenbaum, a reading specialist, will provide parents with a plethora of fun-filled strategies and activities that promote literacy. Recommended for parents K-3.

## **Tackling Nonfiction Text**

February 5, 2020 8:30 a.m (Coffee at 8:30 a.m.) • Washington School

Curious what skills students are learning about when they explore nonfiction? In this parent workshop, we invite you to step into your child's shoes as we walk you through the various skills and strategies readers employ when they work with nonfiction. Parents will walk away feeling empowered to help learners become more confident nonfiction readers.

**Recommended for parents grades 1-3** 





# **Our Mission**

**The Rutherford School District** is committed to strengthening the parent/ school connection. The Parent Academy's purpose is to build a strong, effective partnership with the parents of Rutherford. We will be hosting a series of workshops for the community over the course of the school year that include a wide variety of academic, social and emotional topics to work in partnership with our parents to help our students meet with success.



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## **Hidden in Plain Sight** \*New Date

February 12, 2020 7:00 p.m. High School

Discover how alcohol, drugs and paraphernalia can be easily hidden in plain sight in a teenager's bedroom, bathroom and other locations within your home and car. Become educated on the latest substance abuse trends, signs and symptoms, and learn about local resources available to keep our children and community safe.

R.S.V.P to Kimberly Huzzy at khuzzy@rutherfordschools.org

## **Developing Resiliency and** Independence in K-3 Children

March 4, 2020 8:30 a.m (Coffee at 8:30 a.m.) • Washington School

Our children are growing up in a rapidly changing, complex society that is much different than that which many of us experienced. It can be guite challenging for us, as parents and as educators, to help them navigate their world. These workshops are intended to foster discussion on the competencies included in Social Emotional Learning and to look candidly at how we are preparing our students and children for the road ahead.

#### **Topics for discussion:**

 Grit: Willingness to persevere and overcome obstacles · Building healthy relationships and positive interpersonal skills

#### **Strategies for Building** Independence and Resilience in Children

March 5, 2020 7:00 p.m. • High School

The presentation will give parents and students tips to manage Executive Functioning skills. These are the skills that help us accomplish our goals such as how we organize, plan, control, and make decisions. Strengthening these skills and giving students specific strategies and behaviors can help to effectively manage their lives, make positive choices and move towards a successful future.

## Math Fluency

March 18, 2020 8:30 a.m (Coffee at 8:30 a.m.) • Washington School

What is math fluency? It is more than memorizing facts and recalling answers. It is developing the understanding that makes sense of numbers and numeric relationships. It is being comfortable manipulating numbers. It is the ability to solve problems accurately and quickly. It is being fluent with strategies and not just facts. It is not just knowing how, but understanding why. In this workshop, we will explore math fluency and provide parents with strategies and games to use at home to assist children.

**Recommended for parents grades 1-3** 

## **Improving Comprehension**

March 19, 2020 8:30 a.m. • Lincoln School

Parents often ask for ways to develop their child's comprehension skills. Lincoln's reading specialists will share questioning techniques that foster explicit and implicit comprehension. Teachers will also discuss how written reflections and annotation help aid the comprehension process. Recommended for parents K-3.

# **Post Secondary Education Night**

March 19, 2020 7:00 p.m. • High School

Post Secondary Education Night features information regarding the transition from high school. The members of the guidance office will share information regarding Naviance, college searches and information on alternatives to college.

#### **Raising an Empowered Female** April 23, 2020 7:00 p.m. • Pierrepont

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Academic demands, social concerns, social media and peer pressure are just a few of the struggles young girls face today. As a parent, raising daughters to have confidence, a strong sense of self, and a powerful voice is imperative in our society today. This workshop will help quide you in helping your child foster these important skills.

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