### MARCH 2019

# RAYMOND CREE MIDDLE SCHOOL "Cree-ating Excellence in Education"

### Parents/Guardians/Families

We at RCMS are always looking for avenues to increase communication with our parent community. I would like to take this opportunity to "Thank you" for partnering with us and being part of the RCMS team and family. It is important that we work together to provide all of our students with the best opportunity to strengthen their academic skill set, as well as meeting their social and emotional needs.

We have been working extremely hard at aligning our CORE curriculum in order to provide all students with a rigorous and supporting academic program. Our hard work is paying off, as evidenced by the California School Dashboard as being the highest academic performing middle school in PSUSD.

## Keep the momentum going! We need your support with:

### Attendance

- Send your student to school every day. Attendance is a leading indicator of student success. The primary rationale for high-quality attendance data is the relationship between student attendance and student achievement. Students who attend school regularly have been shown to achieve at higher levels than students who do not have regular attendance.
- Our overall attendance goal for the year is 94.35%. The 1st attendance period which ended on September 21, we had an attendance rate of 95.86% *Goal Achieved!*
- The 2nd attendance period which ended on November 16, we had an attendance rate of 95.10% -Goal Achieved!
- The 3rd attendance period which ended on February 22, we had an attendance rate of 94.65% -Goal Achieved!
- We have one more reporting periods for the year. Help us achieve our goal by sending your student to school every day.

### Academics

- Provide your student with positive words of encouragement to give their best effort and work hard daily in each of their classes and complete all assignments. Working hard works!
- Mathia and Reading Plus support are available 24/7 with access for students using their Chromebooks.

### Attitude

 One of our top priorities is "shaping positive conditions for learning." We are asking each family to emphasize to their student the importance of being positive in their thoughts and actions and taking a "Can Do" approach to their education. We stress the importance of bringing positive energy to the school.

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