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“Equitable Education for Every Student”

Principal’s Message

**Greetings Parents!**

We hope that all of you are well and staying safe amidst the Covid-19 pandemic. As it stands, we are still providing quality instructions on a virtual platform, which means we need all students to consistently attend every class every day. When students choose not to attend classes, it's possible that students will be marked absent for that day. We are providing a weekly award for perfect attendance for our 7th, 8th, and 9th grade students in the form of a trophy, t-shirt, portable charger and a few other items. Students must be present if they want to receive any of these rewards. Report Cards will be available via Active Parent starting February 8th - 12th. Please log in Active Parent to view your child's grades so that we can ensure the student is progressing. If you have any questions or concerns about anything regarding Merritt, please don't hesitate to give us a call. As always, thank you for choosing Robert L. Merritt Jr. High School.

Parent Center Corner, Geraldine Ray

Let’s continue to practice safety and social distancing as we enter a new year. Please continue to wear your mask and wash and sanitize your hands regularly. Remember, we have different ways you can be involved in your child's education. Such as: Active Parents, School Status, and Canvas. You may reach me through e-mail at [gray@sunflower.k12.ms.us](mailto:gray@sunflower.k12.ms.us). My hours are: Monday from 7:00 A.M.- 4:00 P.M. Tuesday-Thursday 7:00 A.M.-3:30 P.M. and Friday 7:00 A.M. -3:30 P.M. However, I will adjust my schedule to accommodate you.

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**Upcoming Events at RLMJH**

2/9-Final Round of Spelling Bee @ 12:00 p. m.

2/11**-**District Spelling Bee @ 10:00 a. m.

**Media Center, Dr. Jessica James**

It is time again for our students to begin preparing for the Spelling Bee at our school. Please encourage your child/children to participate. Only the 7th and 8th grade students are allowed to participate. Our school Spelling Bee will be held on at the following time. Only the participants are allowed to enter the Zoom.

Topic: Spelling Bee 7th Grade Time: Feb 5, 2021 11:00 AM Central Time (US and Canada) Join Zoom Meeting <https://sunflower-k12-msus.zoom.us/j/88463601677?pwd=bHNFWFZKZW5PVWU2dHNHd0w2SUczUT09>

Topic: Spelling Bee 8th Grade Time: Feb 5, 2021 01:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada) Join Zoom Meeting <https://sunflower-k12-ms-us.zoom.us/j/85471214326?pwd=dVdvdDZydnVsbnRhN1pyamFxUW5GUT09>

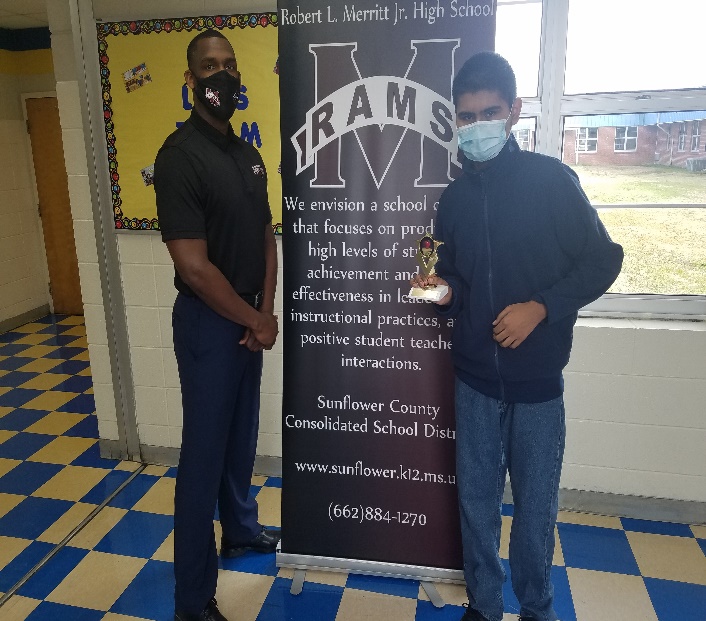
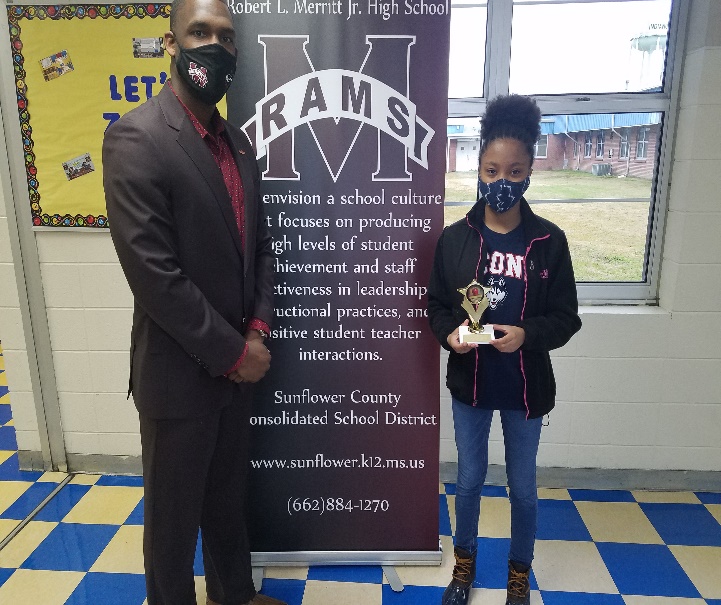
The top 3 winners from the 7th and 8th Grade will advance to the final competition.

Topic: Final Round for Spelling Bee Time: Feb 9, 2021 12:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada) Join Zoom Meeting <https://sunflower-k12-ms-us.zoom.us/j/81334672914?pwd=SzJkWHZoMHhNNHJSZUI2cm5WZjMzZz09>

Virtual District Spelling Bee Thursday, Feb. 11th, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

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January Perfect Attendance (Week of 11th -15th)

Marco Zuniga (8th) Madison Petty (7th) Esaw Price, III (9th)

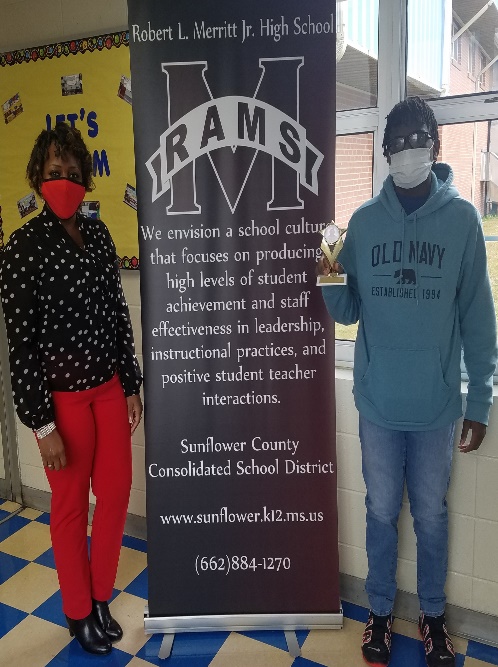
January Perfect Attendance (Week of 19th -22nd)



Celestial Baggett (7th) Jamiyah McCloud (9th) Not Pictured Da’Quarrius Cole (8th)

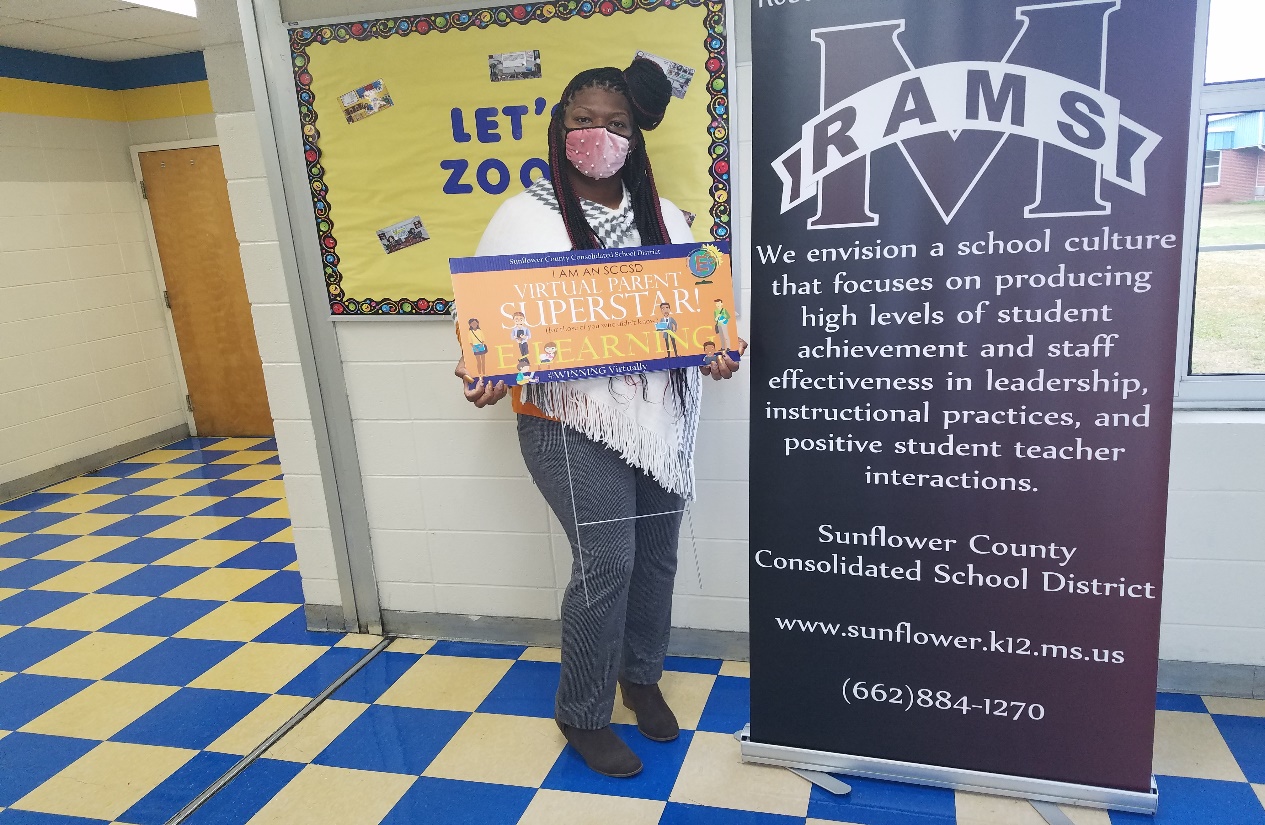
~Attendance Matters~

January Perfect Attendance (Week of 25th -29th)

Not Pictured Emiya Allen (7th) Robert Cooperwood, III (8th) Not Pictured Ke’Shuanna Green (9th)

February Parent of the Month



Parent of the Year Robert L. Merritt Junior High

Counselor’s Corner, Latoshia Lewis



**“Every Day Counts!”**

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| Mrs. Ida Cannon, School Attendance Officer for:  East Sunflower Elementary  A.W. James Elementary  Ruleville Central Elementary  Drew Hunter Middle  Ruleville Central Middle  Thomas E. Edwards, Sr. High | Mrs. Ida Cannon, School Attendance Officer for:   Inverness Elementary  Lockard Elementary  Carver Elementary  Moorhead Central  Robert L. Merritt Junior High  Gentry High |
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If you have any questions or concerns about attendance, please feel free to call or fax the Attendance Officer assigned to your child/children school.



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