

# Robert L. Merritt Junior High School

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**"Equitable Education for Every Student"**

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## Principal's Message

Thank you for entrusting us with providing a quality education for your children. We have started another adventurous academic year and we are excited about it. As a school, our students and teachers have really worked to improve the success at Merritt. In order for us to continue our success, I am asking you to become more involved with school as we work to increase the home to school connection. Encourage your children to study, complete all assignments, and have excellent attendance. Please be on the lookout for our annual Title I meeting coming soon and homecoming events that will be taking place this year. As always, we look forward to working with to create and maintain a more successful environment for our students and teachers. Let's have an awesome year.

## Upcoming Events at RLMJH

- ◆ 9/4 Health and Wellness Meeting @ 8:00 A. M.
- ◆ 9/13 Coronation @ 6:00 P. M.
- ◆ 9/12 Title I/Progress Report @ 5:00 P. M.
- ◆ 9/18 Learning Walk @ 10:00 A. M.
- ◆ 9/26 Benchmark Assessment/State Test @ 6:00 P. M..

## Open House

The official date for the RLMJH Open House was **Friday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 5:00 to 7:30 P.M.** Parents received information about school expectations, curriculum, attendance, testing, discipline, grading scale, homework, technology, and school events. All RLMJH faculty and staff were in attendance. Refreshments were be served. We thank all of you for coming



## 2019 - 2020 SCHOOL YEAR

Welcome back to school! There have been many changes while you have been away this summer. Meet the new faculty and staff and learn about the new school additions at Robert L. Merritt Junior High. Mary L. Giles is bringing in new ideas in her new position as Assistant Principal. Allison Washington is firmly and enthusiastically working with the teachers as Academic Coach. Felecia McKinney is drumming up some 7<sup>th</sup> grade Math. Joseph Biagioli is bringing creativity and new energy to the World Geography classes. Jenna Manojt is committed to EE ELA and Lackecia Hearn is bringing it home with that English I. Khristopher Ross and Angelia Wade are using Technology strategies to enlighten our students while Morgan Houston is holding it down in ICT ii. Shannon Clark and Matthew Haren are creating new ideas in Biology and Science. Also new to our team is Charity Scoii 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies. New to Exceptional Education staff is Shakari Hughes. JarCedric Bradley has us patting our feet to the beats in the Band Hall. Last but not least. Chantel Cooper, Charles Lee, and Monica Shepard are not new to the school but new to the team.

Along with the original faculty and staff these newcomers make up a highly qualified group of professionals who provide valuable teaching and learning opportunities in a safe and positive environment that is beneficial to the growth and development of the students at Robert L. Merritt Junior High..

**WELCOME**

**School Hours 7:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M.**

Students are tardy after 7:40 A.M. An adult must come into the office to sign for the tardy student. During dismissal parents are asked to pick up students at the designated area. Parents should not exit vehicles, but wait patiently for students to come to their vehicle.

## Parent Center Corner

Geraldine Ray, Parent Liaison

We are in the process of rebuilding our parent center. We do have pamphlets and brochures you may pick up when you visit the school. My days at RLMJH are Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday's.

My hours are from 7:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.  
However, I will adjust my time upon request.



Robert L. Merritt is an institution of learning. In order for your child to get the full benefit of what's being offered he/she must be here daily, on time, and stay the entire day. Class starts at **7:40** each day. If your child comes to school after that time they are not only late but missing instructional time. Remember, there are consequences for habitual tardiness. Please read the student handbook to familiarize you with the consequences of being **TARDY**