

# Rollan Melton Elementary

Dear Melton Families and Friends,

A few weeks ago, we had our first awards assembly for the year. For the first quarter, we handed out over 100 character awards. This is a fantastic start to the year, and I am very proud of our students for their accomplishments.

The month of December is always an exciting and activity filled month at Rollan Melton Elementary School. There will be many special events and activities in your child's classroom as the Holidays approach. More information about many of these will be sent home from your child's teacher.

Thank you everyone who donated with our "No Hassle" fundraiser. We were able to reach over \$14,000. Your support and dedication to the school is breathtaking.

Recently, I applied for a grant through the DEW Foundation and was awarded \$29,000. This money will help support educational technology programs, new technology in the school, and support staff.

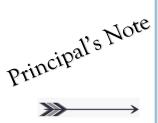
Once again, I have been asked to remind parents to follow the rules while in the parking lot. Please take it slow and have patience. Our student's safety is our number one priority.

Lastly, as the holidays are approaching, I would like to thank all of you for your continued support of Rollan Melton Elementary School. Our school is a special place because of all of you - students, parents, staff, and community members. Enjoy the time with your family, friends, and loved ones!

Happy Holidays!

Jeff Batavia





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# TIS THE SEASON OF GIVING AND HELPING OTHERS....

# Who Will Wear the Beard? Holiday Fundraiser Which staff member

would you like to see wear a Santa hat and beard?

You decide...

Buy cotton balls during the school day, Dec. 1\*-16<sup>th</sup> and fill the beard of the staff member's | picture of your choice!

(1 cotton ball for \$1.00)

The staff member's picture with the biggest beard on Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> will wear a Santa hat and beard all day on Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>!

\*All proceeds will directly benefit Melton Families.





Through our work with those in need, we know that socks are the most requested clothing item at homeless shelters.

- MAJOR GEORGE HOOD.

CHIEF COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER FOR THE SALVATION ARMY

What <u>YOU</u> can do: Drop off pairs of new socks in the donation box in the front office at Rollan Melton Elementary School

December 1st - December 18.

What <u>WE</u> will do: We will distribute donated socks directly to people in need at local parks and shelters.

<u>WHY</u> we do it: Socks are the most requested, but least often donated article of clothing in homeless shelters. Clean, dry socks help prevent frostbite, blisters, and infection. Many homeless must walk several miles daily in order to access food, water, and shelter. Accessing these needs is <u>much</u> easier when feet are healthy and free of pain and blisters.

Please help us keep our community warm and healthy this winter!

#### DECEMBER 2020

#### Melton's Dedicated Staff

### Distance Learners MAP testing schedule

MAP testing for DL students will take place in the Melton computer lab during the weeks of Dec. 7th- 17th.

READING	December 7	December 8	December 9	December 10	December 11
TIME	10:00	10:00	10:00	10:00	10:00
GRADE	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>

MATH	December 14	December 15	December 16	December 17
TIME	10:00	10:00	10:00	10:00
GRADE	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>
				1:00
				5th





#### Misc. Reminders

- \*Picture retakes are <u>Dec. 14th</u>—students who missed original photo op or want retakes.
- \*NO Early Release on Dec. 16th. (3:30 release)
- \* Melton website: www.washoeschools.net/melton has up-to-date attendance procedures, COVID-19 updates, lunch menu and District information.



#### A look ahead....

- v Return to school on Jan. 4th
- ▽ In-person MAP testing begins

  <u>Jan. 4th</u>

- ♡ <u>Jan. 22</u> Spirit Day



#### **Inclement Weather**

If the weather does not permit students to be outside in the morning before school an announcement will be made over the PA instructing students to enter the school and go directly to their classroom. During recess/lunch times students will remain in their classroom.

Jeff Batavia Julie Guillen Iwona Martin Stephanie White Mackenzie Winkelmaier Kristi Burkett Ronnie Feller Amanda Kloehn Wendy Zastawniak Jenni Fallon Mandy Henri Julie Loux Sonia Morreale Brandy Reichardt Christy Stoll Tammi Crowther Trish Dolan Amanda Ferris Kristin Guzman Jill Hutchings Jannie Humphrey Diane Longoni Sue Paffrath Sandi Speirer Amy Chatowsky Chloe Evans Laura Gettis Fabienne Hansen Amanda Stark **Eric Rogers** Melanie Graber Marie Altshuler Karly Thorkildson Lalita Cole Lisa Barthel-Rosa Lauren Sabatino Meredith Barton Liisa Talso Alycia Simon Gina Barclay Jan Comphel Janet Tidrick Erma Mann Sarah Goodman Brooke Wickham Lyndzie Harris

Carlos Valdespin

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#### No Hassle Fundraiser!

Our Melton families and community have donated over \$14,000, simply mind-blowing!

- ~ Mrs. Dolan's class won for most money raised.
- ~ Mrs. Humphrey's class won for highest classroom participation.

Each student in both classes will receive a gift certificate to Rita's and all participants received prizes.



Thank You!

Melton PFA has generously provided classroom materials, on-line programs (Sew Saw, Reading A-Z, Learning A-Z, Science A-Z) and some technology for our special education class. They continue to support our PE program and Meet the Masters Art Program as well as suppling the Districts coolest facemask for students and staff.

#### We love to wear our Melton Pride.

Your generous donations truly make a difference! If you haven't joined the PFA yet, please consider becoming a member. Membership is free to join and a fantastic opportunity to be involved with our school and future events.

Our students, staff and Melton community are extremely grateful for all the support.

#### Hello Melton Families!

I hope everyone is staying healthy and doing their part to keep our school safe! It has been a busy start to the school year, but I have been able to teach a couple lessons in each classroom this school year. Right now, we are really focusing identifying feelings. It is important for children to learn to identify the feelings so they can seek help in appropriate ways. We are also working on techniques to calm ourselves down when feeling strong feelings.

We have SHARE lessons starting in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade this week. Remember, permission for this program is incorporated with registration. If you have any questions regarding this, please contact me.

Also, a reminder that we have a fun holiday fundraiser going on until break! Bring in your \$1 to place a cotton ball on the Santa beard of the staff member of your choice! This money will go directly back to our Melton family.

I know this is a hard time for many of our families. If you need assistance in any way, please reach out to me so that I can be a support. If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to call or email me. Happy December,

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