

Dear Roger Clap Families & Community Members,



This year we will be participating in a screening using the Behavior Intervention Monitoring Assessment System, 2nd Edition (BIMAS). The BIMAS is a tool used to measure social, emotional and behavioral functioning in our students. Teachers and parents answer 34 questions for each student. This gives us universal data across the school that can be used for progress monitoring, planning interventions and support plans for students.

The BIMAS is used throughout the district as part of the Comprehensive Behavioral Health Model (CBHM) initiative, which integrates tiered supports and services within the school community to promote positive school climate, social and academic success for students. *As part of this model, data collection helps school teams focus and tier their efforts to meet the needs of their students.*

For more information please contact the school psychologist, Mikaila Christopher at mchristopher@bostonpublicschools.org. If you do not want your child to participate in this, please return the attached form.



FREE CONCERT for ROGER CLAP FAMILIES

Families of the Roger Clap have been invited to two FREE concerts by the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra in November. Please see attached flyer for more information and to request the FREE tickets!

Schoolwide Calendar Reminders:



- No School: Friday, November 11
- Picture Day is coming to the Roger Clap: Wednesday, November 16
 - Makeup Day: Dec. 14, 2022

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- Family Council (5:30) on Nov. 08th & School Site Council (6) on Nov. 15th
- Town Hall & November Birthday Celebration Day: Friday, November 18.
- Early Release Day: Wednesday, November 23 - Dismissal will start at 1:30pm. Students who take buses will be arriving at their bus stop approximately 2 hours earlier than typical. Breakfast and lunch will be served.
- No School: November 24 & 25

In partnership,
Emma Fialka-Feldman, Principal

Tuesday, November 7, 2022

Roger Clap Elementary School

Dear Family Members,

Together with families, it is our mission to support the well-being of all of our students. One of the ways we hope to do this is to learn more about our students' social, emotional, and behavioral skills through the use of a school-wide screening assessment. Our school-wide assessment is the BIMAS-2, which has 34 questions about a child's skills in the following areas: Social, Academic, Attention, Negative Affect (such as coping with stress and sadness), and Conduct (such as acting out behavior).

The following will be used at our school this year:

- Teacher Rating Form (completed by teachers)
- Family Rating Form (completed by families - sent to email addresses on file)

Ratings will be completed in mid-November.

Parent and family involvement in this process is vital and valued. You know your child best, and we welcome your feedback or other information you'd like to share about your child's strengths and needs. Please feel free to reach out to Mikaila Christopher at 617-635-8672. The information you share along with screening data helps us to understand the needs of all our students and to make effective whole school plans.

If you would like more information about the school-wide assessment and the other supports we have at our school please call or email Mikaila Christopher mchristopher@bostonpublicschools.org. If you want your child to participate in screening, you do NOT need to return this form.

If you do not want your child to participate in school-wide screening, please use the boxes below and return this form to school. Or email your request to mchristopher@bostonpublicschools.org.

Thank you,

Emma Fialka-Feldman, Principal of Roger Clap Elementary

Child's Name: _____

___ I do NOT want my child to participate in the BIMAS Teacher Rating Screener.

X_____ (family signature)