



Dear Roger Clap Families,

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](mailto:mchristopher@bostonpublicschools.org). If you do not want your child to participate in this, please return the attached form.



Join us TODAY Tuesday (Tuesday, October 24) to share your voice in making sure our community continues to grow!

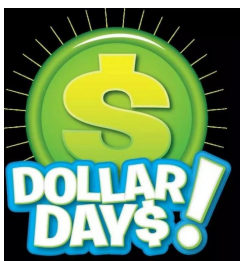
What?	Family Council - All are welcome!	School Site Council - All are welcome!
When?	10-24 from 5-6pm on <a href="#">Zoom</a>	10-24 from 6-7pm on <a href="#">Zoom</a>
Why?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Connect with Roger Clap families</li> <li>Share ideas for improving family engagement practices (events, fundraising, presentations)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Meet with Roger Clap Staff and families</li> <li>Learn about updates to our community</li> </ul> Connect with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zachary Houston, Assistant Director for ABA/Office of Special Education at BPS</li> <li>Rachel Duffy MS, BCBA, LABA, Clinical Coordinator, South Shore Autism Center</li> <li>Learn about our ABA services at the Clap this year!</li> </ul>

School Wide Updates:

- Thursday, October 28: K0-Grade 2 students will be going to Honey Pot Hill Orchard. Grade 3-6 students will be traveling to the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Please ensure your child is dressed in the school uniform (especially a blue or white shirt).



- Friday, October 27: Dollar Dress Day - PJ Day, Town Hall & October Birthday Celebration Day



In partnership,  
 Emma Fialka-Feldman, Principal

Tuesday, October 24,, 2023

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](mailto: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](mailto:mchristopher@bostonpublicschools.org)..

Thank you,

Emma Fialka-Feldman, Principal of Roger Clap Elementary

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Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

X\_\_\_\_\_ (family signature)