

PRESS RELEASE

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For Immediate Release:

Niceville- Juniors of Miss Julie Williams English class from Special Services at Rocky Bayou Christian School played the role of children's storytellers last Friday. After working for over a week to create their own folktales, they spent a class period visiting several elementary classrooms and sharing their story creations with the children. Each story shared was unique in its own way and included personification as well as a Biblical moral. The 11th graders worked hard to make sure that the elementary students enjoyed themselves. The high schoolers dressed up like their characters, brought in Christmas cookies, and even had feather decorated headbands for the students to wear. The elementary students were thrilled and giggled with enjoyment as they listened to the comical tales of Henry the horse, a character created by Morgan Canales who learned the importance of telling the truth, Bob the turtle, a character created by Joel Dodd who learned the importance of friendship, and Mr. and Mrs. Coal, characters created by Katherine Rogers who learned that we all have a meaning and purpose in life. There were many other memorable characters and morals shared that day. Raela Berry shared with the students the importance of realizing that we are each made in God's image and that we are beautiful in His sight. She told a story about a rabbit that colored her fur a variety of colors in order to fit in and feel more beautiful. But in the end the rabbit realized that she was most beautiful as the snowy white rabbit that God had made her.

This experience was a wonderful opportunity for the 11th graders to practice their fictional writing skills while also improving their story telling skills in a practical and enjoyable way.

Rocky Bayou Christian School, a K-3 through 12th grade Christian school, does not discriminate on the basis of **race, color or ethnicity** in the admissions of students per USC 2000d. RBCS began its ministry with a twenty-two member student body in 1973. The present enrollment is over 600 students, which includes students bused from as far away as DeFuniak Springs and Navarre. The school also offers a special education ministry and has developed Christ-centered early childhood curriculum materials which are being used nation wide by Christian day schools and homeschoolers.

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