



March 2, 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians;

- The Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers (PARCC) English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics will be administered to all students in grades three through eight. **The assessments will be administered during the period of Tuesday, March 6th through Monday, March 19th.** Parents we ask that you please ensure your students are here on time each day throughout testing. You can help your child do his or her best on the test by:
 - making sure your child attends school and arrives on time on the days of testing.
 - making sure your child gets a good night's sleep the night before testing.
 - letting your child know that you have confidence in his or her ability to do his best; and
 - advising your child not to worry about the test-just do the best he or she can.
 - As temperatures become warmer; effective **Monday, March 5th**, we will return to the outdoor/morning entry plan. Students will remain outside and enter through the following doors:
 - Main Entrance-Rooms 101, 102, 104 & 106
 - Dorchester North-Rooms 120, 124, 125, 126 & 127
 - Dorchester South-Rooms 110, 112, 114 & 116
 - Blackstone-Rooms 202, 204, 206 & 208
 - 61st Place-Rooms 212, 214, 216, 222, 218, 224, 225 & 228
- Please be advised that our school hours are from 8:45 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. **Students are not to arrive before 8:30 a.m. Carnegie staff members work day begins at 8:30 a.m. or 8:45 a.m. Therefore, no supervision is provided prior 8:30 a.m. and students will not be permitted in the building.** Please, consider the safety and well-being of your child and DO NOT drop-off your child prior to 8:30 a.m. These are very busy times and safety is our utmost priority.
- 3rd Quarter Progress Reports will be sent home on **Friday, March 9th**.
 - There will be a LSC Meeting on **Tuesday, March 13th** at 6:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. All parents and community members are welcome!
 - ACS Advanced Chess Team will compete in CPS Elementary Chess Academic tournament on **Saturday, March 17th** at Whitney Young High School. Good Luck ACS Cougars!
 - There will be a PAC Meeting on **Tuesday, March 20th** at 9:00 a.m. in the cafeteria. All parents and community members are welcome!
 - Career Day will be held on **Wednesday, March 21st and Thursday, March 22nd**. If you are interested in participating in our Career Day, you may contact Mrs. Watson via email acwatson@cps.edu or call (773) 535-0661.
 - **Wednesday, March 21st** - Career Day for Kindergarten-5th grades-9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
 - **Thursday, March 22nd** - Career Day for 6th-8th grades-9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
 - **All Spring After-School Academic Programs ends on Thursday, March 22nd.**
 - There will be a Spring Fling Dance on **Friday, March 23rd** from 1:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. for 4th-8th grade students. The cost: \$7.00 per student.
 - Spring Break begins on **Monday, March 26th through Friday, March 30th**. Whether you are traveling or not, I hope that everyone have the opportunity to pause, enjoy your family, friends and return refreshed. ***All students will receive on-line Spring Break Homework (i.e. Raz-Kids, Discovery Education, iReady Reading/Math or Nearpod).*** **Classes resume on Monday, April 2nd at 8:45 a.m.**

Principal Pollard