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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Dear Parents & Guardians:

I hope you enjoyed your weekend! This week is a short week, **Wednesday, November 11th is Veteran's Day all schools are closed and there will not be any remote sessions.** Thank you to all our veterans who served or are currently serving our country.

I would like to take a moment to introduce all of our families to our 2 new Guidance Counselors: Professor Paniagua & Professor Vollmer. Both counselors come with years of experience & we look forward to a successful year with them. We have received the High School Selection books & will begin distributing this week. Our 2 Guidance Counselors are available & will be assisting all 8th grade students with the High School Application Process.

Last week our students took their MAP Periodic Assessment for ELA & Math. MAP Growth measures achievement & growth in K-12 math, reading & language usage. It provides teachers with accurate & actionable evidence to help target instruction for each student or groups of students regardless of how far above or below they are from their grade level. **Please ask your child if they completed the assessment.**

You have 1 more week to complete the online survey to change from remote to blended learning. Remember if your child is blended & you want to switch to fully remote, you do not have to complete this survey. Simply contact the school & we can assist you with this process. For parents that have students learning fully remote & want to switch to blended learning, you must complete the survey by November 15th, to opt-in to blended learning:

- The process outlined below will be the **only opt-in window for families this school year, through the last day of the 2020-2021 school year.** We believe that this best meets the needs of students, families, teachers, & school leaders as we establish strong routines & structures for learning. As such, the process for blended learning opt-in is as follows:
 - Families requesting to change from 100% remote to blended learning should complete & submit the [Learning Preference survey](#) during this window. **Students will begin In-Person Learning during the weeks of November 30 & December 7th.** If you need any assistance completing the survey, please contact our Parent Coordinator, Ms. Ovalles at 718-561-3580.

November 11th is the last day of the 1st marking period. I urge you to please review your child's grades on Google Classroom prior to the ending of the marking period. If your child has received a low grade in any content, you should meet with the teacher to identify any missing assignments. Teachers are still in the process of collecting assignments so please make sure your child has submitted all of her/his assignments to receive full credit.

SPECIAL NOTICES

REMINDERS

Veterans Day
Wednesday, Nov. 11th
NO SCHOOL

Parent Teacher Conference
Wednesday, November 18
Evening 4pm – 7:30pm
&
Thursday, November 19
Half A Day 11:30 Dismissal
Afternoon 12:30pm – 2:30pm

Cohort A
Tuesday, Wednesday,
& Every other Monday
8:30am – 2:00pm

Cohort B
Thursday, Friday, &
Every Other Monday
8:30am – 2:00pm

Cohort D
Monday – Friday
Remote Learning

STUDENT SCHEDULES

(Can be seen on
KAPPA III's Website)

KAPPA III WEB SITE
Check it out
<https://kappaiii.echalksites.com/>

Remember, attendance is important at KAPPA III as it accounts for student engagement. Our expectation is that students are in school or online every day. I cannot stress enough the importance of student engagement in both synchronous & asynchronous learning. Course content is continuous, & it is imperative that students to keep up with their schoolwork.

Virtual Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on November 18th (Evening - 4:00pm - 7:30pm) & November 19th (12:30pm - 2:30pm). November 19th all Group B students will be dismissed at 11:30am. Parent Teacher Conferences (PTC) are an important way for teachers to learn more about their students from families and provide feedback to families about students' academic performance. Please refer to the Department of Education Website where you can find information to assist you with virtual conferences. <https://www.schools.nyc.gov/get-involved/families/parent-teacher-conferences>

All parents will receive a survey form via email to reserve virtual appointments with their child's teachers. You may select to complete either the English Survey or the Spanish Survey.

We are asking that all students complete the health screening form at home each morning, prior to coming to school. This allows our morning admission to go a lot quicker, especially with the cold weather approaching. Please assist your child with completing the form. We will continue to follow the health guidelines that require physical distancing and mandatory use of face coverings. Please make sure you continue to speak to your child about the importance of following the health guidelines.

As always, I encourage you to please continue to refer to our school website: <https://kappaiii.echalksites.com/>. for additional information. For your convenience, helpful links and resources are posted on this page as well. **Monday, November 16th all Group A students are scheduled for in-school learning.**

I want to thank you for your continued support & wish you & your family good health. We love welcoming our students into the building & for virtual learning every day.

Please complete the permission slip form in case your child comes to school on the wrong day. The permission slip would allow your child to go back home if he/she comes on the wrong day. Please complete the form and send it back to us via email.

Respectfully, Jean Colon, Principal