The Joseph Greenberg Parent Connection

ENGAGING PARENTS to Uplift Students!

Engaged, Inspired, and Empowered to Make a Difference!

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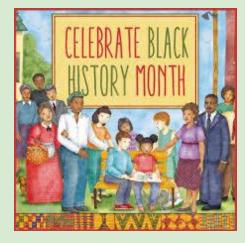
To nurture the creativity, empathy, and critical thinking, essential to thriving in a changing global environment.

A Brief Word from the Principal

The weather has been unseasonably and historically warm this year, but February should bring significantly cooler temperatures. So that students remain warm when they are outside during morning arrival and students should dress in layers with hats and gloves covering and heads hands to maintain their body heat. We ask that parents remind their children to keep their jackets and sweaters on at all times so these items are not lost. Students frequently lose clothing and the items end up in the Lost and Found. If your child is missing an article of clothing, please ask them to check the Lost and Found next week before items are donated to the Goodwill at the end of February.

January Parent Meeting

Over 70 parents attended the parent meeting in January, a great turnout. Parents shared ideas for spending Title 1 funds, which will be budgeted in the Spring. Some of those recommendations included anti-drug/anti-bullying presentations for students. We agree that this information is vital to ensuring the health and safety of our students so we scheduled a program now. Family Engagement Liaison Delilah Bedoya has arranged for the DEA (Drug Enforcement Agency) to present information to students (grades 5-8) on this topic in March. Parents also mentioned assistance/resources for helping their children understand current events. Mr. Woodson, climate manager, obtained this article from our partners at No Place for Hate. Family Conversations About Current Events . Parents can find the



Calendar Corner

- Feb. 1-Feb. 3, Early Dismissal Days, 11:09 A.M.
- Feb. 17, Early dismissal, 11:09am
- Feb. 20, No School, President's Day

<u>Farewell</u> - Join me in congratulating Sue Veerana, ESOL teacher, on her retirement from Greenberg after approximately 20 years of service to the school. She helped many non-English speaking students understand the language and succeed academically.



Health Updates

We have had a few calls about students exposed to someone with covid and what the procedure is with regards to school. If you child has been exposed to someone that has tested positive for Covid, they can come to school with the following recommendations:

- Please have your student wear a mask to school for 10 days following their last exposure to the Covid positive person
- Covid testing is recommended at Day 2 and Day 5 post exposure or if your child develops symptoms - <u>Covid</u> <u>Protocols</u>

Family Resource

Please use the link below to learn about a new drug trending now. <u>Alarming New Drug</u>

Future Paleontologists at Work

First-grade students do the work of paleontologists to learn math concepts like measurement. Other students "dig" for artifacts like chocolate chips and count them. Learning is much more fun when pretending to be a paleontologist. slide presentation from January's meeting on the Parent Information Board linked below.

Important Links (Bookmark pages) Parent Information Board Greenberg School Website

Parking Guidelines

Please review the Parking Guidelines. We continue to observe drivers blocking driveways and parking in the middle of Sharon Lane. Students must be dropped off on Alicia Street. **Students may not be dropped off on Sharon Lane. New parking protocols will be shared with parents soon.** Click <u>HERE</u> to access Parking Guidelines. Thank you!

FFL Competition

Greenberg had two teams compete in the Northeast Regional Championship For First Lego League. There were a lot of very competitive teams there... 48 in total! We placed 38th and 39th in the robot game. Both teams beat their own personal best in the robot game, which is awesome. We learned a lot this season and hope to make some major improvements for next year. Take a look at our pictures. Jeffrey Segrest, STEM Teacher.





I have learned that success is to be measured not so much by the position that one has reached in life as by the obstacles which he has had to overcome while trying to succeed.

(Booker T. Washington)

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