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[SY 2021-22 Family Calendar](#)

PARENT REMINDERS

February 2nd, 2022

Dear Central Brooklyn Ascend Lower School Families!



We are so excited about all the great things happening this month at CBACS. We will be celebrating Black History Month with some wonderful opportunities to learn more about historical figures of the past and present! On Friday, February 4th, scholars are invited to dress as a 100-year-old person to [celebrate the 100th day of school](#), we are expecting some very creative elderly-outfits 😊.

Here are a few virtual resources available for families this month: [Brooklyn Public Library - Harriet Tubman, Herself](#) program and [17 Places to Celebrate Black History Month with Kids in NYC](#).

Thank you.



School Year 2022-23 Applications for NEW scholars are OPEN!

Applications are open for the 2022-2023 school year. **Share with your friends and family to apply at:** ascendlearning.org/enroll for a seat at CBACS. Please remember, siblings must also apply for our lottery by **April 1, 2022** to be offered a seat.

Our next New Family Information Sessions are on:

- Thursday, February 10th at 5:30pm
- Tuesday, March 8th at 5:00pm
- Wednesday, April 6th at 5:00pm

New families to CBACS can RSVP on Eventbrite [HERE](#) to receive a link to the sessions.

CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH - EXHIBITION DAY!

Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of blacks in U.S. history. Here at Central Brooklyn we want black history to come ALIVE!

Scholars will create a Black History month project to show their understanding of what they have learned and what they believe Black history to be based on all the information that has been provided to them during instruction and through their own research.

What we need from parents:

K-2 classes - work with your scholar at home to research influential African Americans so they can bring more ideas to the classroom to contribute to the project!

3-4 scholars - will each create a Black History month project. Some project ideas could be a collaboration poster of different influential African Americans, a timeline of an era in history, a map, a black history month banner, a quilt, a Martin Luther King "I have a Dream" craft, a biography of an influential African American on poster board/science board, or a picket sign. Please work with your scholar at home to research influential African Americans and be as creative as you would like!

***Projects are due by Monday, February 14th.** See the flier [HERE](#).

BLACK HISTORY MONTH EXHIBITION DAY!!!

K - 4TH Grade

When: February 14 - 18, 2022

PROJECTS ARE DUE 02/14



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UPDATE - New COVID-19 Quarantine Requirements - effective Monday, 1/31/22

If a student has tested positive for Covid-19, the individual must now quarantine for at least five days after receiving a Covid positive test result; this has been shortened from 10 days. Anyone returning from a five-day quarantine period must be fever-free for 24 hours with symptoms improving (no runny nose or phlegm producing cough), must wear a well-fitting mask, while at school for Days 6 -10.

Close Contacts - Test-to-Stay Program - for students who have been exposed to a positive case

As part of the new **Test-to-Stay Protocol**, and in line with the latest New York State Department of Health guidelines, students can continue to come to school after exposure as long as they continue to receive negative COVID-19 test results on the day they were sent home (day 0) and day 5 and if they do not develop symptoms. Students identified as close contacts must administer two at-home covid-19 tests on Day 0 & 5 to continue to attend school. If either test produces a positive test result, close contact students must follow the 10-day quarantine protocol.

For a **student who is exposed in the home to a positive family member**, the student must continue to quarantine for an additional five days after a household member’s isolation period has ended. This is the case for siblings in the home.

AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM

Is a Federal Communication Commission (FCC) program that helps connect families and households struggling to afford internet service. You can learn more and apply [HERE](#).

Some benefits provided:

- Up to \$30/month discount for internet service;
- Up to \$75/month discount for households on qualifying Tribal lands
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet purchased through a participating provider.



WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

A household is eligible if one member of the household meets at least one of the criteria below:

- Has an income that is at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guide lines
- Participates in assistance programs, such as SNAP, Medicaid, Federal Public Housing Assistance, SSI, WIC, or [Lifeline](#)
- Meets the eligibility criteria for a participating broadband provider’s existing low-income program.

SCHOOL MEALS



The [February Breakfast-Lunch-Snack Menu](#) is posted on our website. Reminder, we are a nut free school - do not send any items with nuts to school with your scholar.

Pandemic-EBT FOOD BENEFITS UPDATE - We have received updated communication from the state; distribution to charter school students have now been updated to April 2022. If your child(ren) is eligible, you may fill out the [P-EBT Information Form](#) or call 1-888-328-6399.

UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS

Fri. February 4	Celebrating the 100th Day of School - Flier
Wed. February 9 Thurs. February 10	Grades 3, 4 - ELA Benchmark Assessment <i>Be sure scholars are ON TIME, GET A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP AND EAT BREAKFAST.</i>
Mon. February 14th ❤️	Valentine’s Day - Dress - Where your Red & Pink - Flier Black History Month Projects Due!
Fri. February 18	NO STUDENTS - Professional Development Day
Week of February 21 - 25	No School - Mid-Winter Break



You can view past Parent Reminder Memos on our website: www.cbcls.ascendlearning.org