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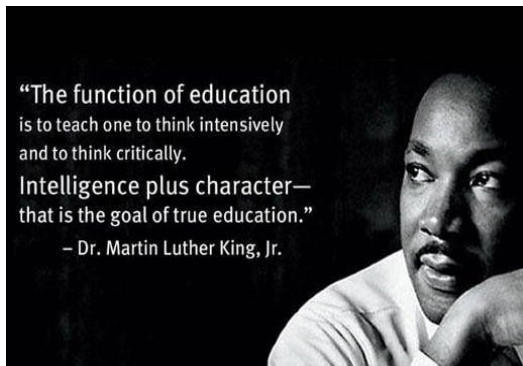
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PARENT REMINDERS

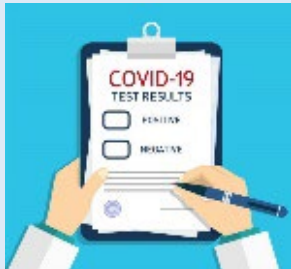
January 16th, 2022

HAPPY NEW YEAR Central Brooklyn Ascend Lower School Families!



We hope you are well! We thank you for your partnership and flexibility this past week in moving so smoothly to remote learning. Our scholars continue to grow and learn because of your support, our wonderful staff and the hard work of our CBACS Tigers!

Tomorrow is Martin Luther King Jr. day - We encourage families to take a moment to discuss the importance of Dr. King's [I Have a DREAM speech](#) and [Why do we celebrate Dr. King during this national holiday?](#) Here are a few virtual resources available for families: [Brooklyn Public Library in honor of Dr. King Virtual Book List](#), [7 Ways to Celebrate Martin Luther King Jr. Day at Home](#) and an [MLK Word Search](#). - Have a wonderful day!



PREPARE TO RETURN TO IN-PERSON SCHOOL ON MONDAY, 1/24

In order to protect the health and safety of our entire community upon return, Ascend is asking all students and staff to get a COVID-19 test within **48 hours before returning to school in-person on Monday, January 24th**.

Please review our email sent on Saturday regarding **Preparing to Return to School** [HERE](#) - posted on our website.

Reminder, you can find nearby Covid-19 testing sites by texting to **85548**. Or by visiting [NYC COVID-19 Testing Site Locations](#) to identify a testing site location in your area. We will also distribute rapid test kits at CBACS this week, Tues. 1/18 - Fri. 1/21 from 8-4pm daily *to be administered on Saturday, 1/22 or Sunday, 1/23 (48hours prior to returning to the building)* if you need one.

PLEASE REPORT YOUR SCHOLAR'S TEST RESULT BY COMPLETING OUR SURVEY [HERE](#)

For POSITIVE cases, please be sure to call/email the Main Office by 8:00am on Monday morning, 1/24, to ensure Main Office follow-up regarding your scholar's return date.

CBACS HOLIDAY COMMUNITY COAT & FOOD DRIVE UPDATE.....



The CBACS Culture Team thanks you for your wonderful donations to our holiday COAT and FOOD Drives. We were able to collect more than 450 coats and over 900 non-perishable food items. For those families who filled out the coat request form, coats will be distributed the week of 1/24.



Special thanks to our CBACS parent volunteers who came in to help organize and sort our generous coat donations.



REMOTE LEARNING - ASCEND TECHNICAL SUPPORT HELPDESK

Phone Number: **646-472-1693**
 Email Address: help@scholars.ascendlearning.org
 Hours of Operation: 8am - 6pm

SCHOOL MEALS



The [January 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. Breakfast/lunch/snack from home must come in with scholars at arrival, the main office does not accept/deliver meals to classrooms and scholars.

Pandemic-EBT FOOD BENEFITS UPDATE

Distribution of the food benefit will continue for several more months, due to the large number of eligible children and schools participating in the National School Lunch Program across the state. Distribution to district schools were completed. Charter schools are now being processed. 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](#).

If you have misplaced a P-EBT Food Benefit card issued to your child(ren), you may order a replacement card by calling 1-888-328-6399.

MASKS



Please note the recent announcement from the CDC regarding cloth masks do not protect against the virus as effectively as other masks. **Well-fitting disposable surgical masks, KN95s and KN94s are more protective than all cloth masks.** Do your best to provide non-cloth masks for your scholar beginning on Monday, January 24th for return to in-person learning. The school also has a supply of disposable surgical masks where needed.

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

Applications are open for the 2022-2023 school year. Please share with your friends and family to apply at: ascendlearning.org/enroll for a seat at CBACS. Please remember, scholar siblings, must also apply for our lottery to be offered a seat by **April 1, 2022**. CBACS Information Sessions will be held on 1/27 and 2/10. New families to CBACS can RSVP on Eventbrite [HERE](#).

UPCOMING CALENDAR EVENTS

Mon. January 17	No School - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Tues. January 25 Wed. January 26	Grades 2, 3, 4 - Math Benchmark Assessment <i>Be sure scholars are ON TIME, GET A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP AND EAT BREAKFAST.</i>
Thursday, January 20 Friday, January 21	Select Report Card Conferences Your scholar's teacher will contact you if they would like to speak with you regarding your child's progress.
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>
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.cbbs.ascendlearning.org