## The Bulldog Blast

December 1,2019

## Meade Middle School

1103 26th Street Ft. Meade, MD 20755

410-674-2355

Principal: Karla Steinbach, <a href="mailto:ksteinbach@aacps.org">ksteinbach@aacps.org</a>

Assistant Principals: Erica Garren, <u>egarren@aacps.org</u>, 8<sup>th</sup> grade, 6<sup>th</sup> grade M-Z

Troy Hermann, thermann@aacps.org, 7th grade, 6th grade A-L

## Message from the Principal...

Good evening families and guardians! I hope all of you were able to enjoy the break and spend time with those you love. I can't believe it is December. Our school year is flying by, with many awesome successes and growth of our students to celebrate!

I hope all of you join us at Meade Middle on December 5th from 6-8pm for our first Family Literacy and Wellness night. We will have numerous Literacy and Wellness activities set up for the whole family to enjoy! Visit the Family Book Swap (see the side note) to take home some "new to you" books just in time for the winter break. Relieve tension as you learn a few beginner yoga poses or participate in a friendly family basketball game. Enjoy a nice cup of hot cocoa while you check out the information stations featuring home literacy, Avid, tips from Meade's Counseling department, the County's Mobil Crisis Response Team, and more.

A reminder that because of the delay in report card printing, our honor roll assemblies will occur this Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>. We hope our parents and guardians join us to cheer and celebrate our Honor Roll and Principal Honor Roll Recipients. We will honor each grade at the following times:

8<sup>th</sup> grade- 8:25-8:55 7<sup>th</sup> grade- 9:05-9:35 6<sup>th</sup> grade- 11:45-12:15

Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>, is going to be a busy day at Meade Middle. Not only will we have our honor roll assemblies and our Family Literacy and Wellness Night, it is also the second of four days where we celebrate unity and diversity. Each Unity Day is a chance for students and staff to wear orange to indicate their commitment to fostering acceptance and inclusion and eliminating hate and bullying. I encourage all our students (and staff) to wear orange this Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>!

As always, #WeAreBetterTogether,

Karla Steinbach, Principal





## **December Dates**

- **5-**Two Hour Early Dismissal
- **5**-Unity Day
- **5** Honor Roll Assemblies
- **5**-Family Literacy & Wellness Night
- 13-Interims Sent Home
- 23-1/1-Winter Break/Schools Closed

**Book Swap**: Parents- this is a great opportunity to clean out some of your closets before the holidays and help make our first Family Book Swap a success! Students will receive a book swap coupon for every gently used book they give to their Language Arts teacher between now and December 3rd. If a student donates one book, he/she will receive one coupon. If a student donates 10 books, he/she will receive 10 coupons. Students and their family can use their coupons at the Family Literacy and Wellness Night on December 5th at Meade Middle. Since this is a Family Book Swap, we are accepting donations of young adult novels, children's books, and books that would interest parents/guardians.

