Greetings families. This is Principal Lanier with the weekly updates.

Holiday: Monday, February 20th is a CMS Holiday and there will be no school. Scholars will return to campus on Tuesday.

Black History Month: Spirit Week - reminder, dress code still applies:

- **Tuesday is** CULTURE DAY: Dress in a way that represents your culture
- Wednesday is HBCU DAY: pop out with your HBCU apparel or colors that represent a Historically Black College or University.
- Thursday is ICON OR LEGEND DAY: dress as your favorite icon or legend
- Friday is BLACK OUT DAY: wear all BLACK to support Black History Month.
- Monday (2/27) will be the Day of Unity. Show your support by wearing the color assigned to your grade level.
 - 6th grade: yellow
 - 7th grade: green
 - 8th grade: red

Technology Update: Families, please encourage your scholars to take good care of their Chromebooks and chargers. We are currently out of working Chromebooks because of the high volume of breakage that has been occurring. We hope to have more working Chromebooks by the end of the week. If you need to report an issue with your scholar's device, use this link: <u>https://bit.ly/JMA-CIR</u>. Your patience is most appreciated!

Food Deliveries: Scholars may choose to purchase lunch in the cafeteria or bring lunch from home. Scholars may not have food delivered to the school from Door Dash, Uber Eats, etc.

Athletics: The girls Basketball Banquet will be held on March 2nd at 6 p.m. The Mandatory Spring Sports parent meeting will take place on February 21st at 6 p.m. in the JMA Gym. The boys Basketball Banquet will be announced soon.

Progress Reports: Mid-quarter Progress Reports will be sent home with your scholar on Thursday, February 23rd and Friday, February 24th. I encourage you to sit with your scholar to review their academic progress. All parents and guardians have access to PowerSchool. If you need access, please contact Ms. Cassino. If you have any questions about a grade or assignment, please reach out to the teacher directly.

Yearbooks: Order your Yearbook before it is too late!! Yearbooks may be ordered using the link provided: <u>https://bit.ly/JMAYearbook22-23</u>

Covid: We have been notified of at least one individual within our school who was diagnosed with COVID-19 this week. As you may know, COVID-19 is a contagious viral infection of the respiratory tract which is most spread from person to person through close contact. JMA continues to take all recommended measures to keep everyone healthy and safe. Please remind your scholar to wash their hands regularly and maintain distance from others to limit exposure. JMA does offer on site testing, please reach out to Ms. Uttro if you wish to request testing for your scholar.

Thank you for your continued support!