FRMA families,

Every year, Fred Rodgers Magnet Academy staff reviews student academic, attendance, and behavior data to devise improvement goals for our school. Goals in our school improvement plan influence teacher professional development, classroom practices, school policies, and programs to encourage and reward student effort and improvement.

This year, our school improvement plan includes the following objectives

- Raise the number of students meeting growth goals for reading and math on the NWEA MAP test.
- Reduce the number of students who are chronically absent from the previous year.
- Increase students' perceptions of physical and emotional safety in our school community.

In the coming weeks, I will share components of these goals that will highlight teacher efforts as well as some explanations on how families can help support us in our efforts. A successful school community relies on the positive connection and collaboration among students, staff, and the families.

Please be aware of the following announcements:

FRMA Spiritwear

The official Magnet Academy spirit wear store has launched a holiday sale! Choose from hundreds of designs and garments, all with home delivery guaranteed by December 23rd! Enjoy a limited-time savings of 25% sitewide with great gifts for the entire family! In addition, all orders over \$75 will receive free shipping. Shop here! Sale runs until December 10, 2024.

Winter Coats

If your child needs a winter jacket, please contact our Parent Liaison, Leslie Hernandez at: (630) 299-7177 or lhernandez@d131.org or our Social Worker, Ms. Baker at sbaker@d131.org

Coffee with the Principal

This month's meeting will be on Thursday, November 21 from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. in our LRC.

African American Parent Association (AAPA)

The AAPA will be meeting on Wednesday, November 20th from 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. at the Administration Center Board Room, 310 Seminary Ave., in Aurora. Please enter through Door 4. For more information, contact Teasa Ezeh at: tezeh07@gmail.com or Melissa Diaz at: mdiaz@d131.org.

STEM Ignition

The STEM Ignition Club has extended their registration for any FRMA student who is interested in joining. Students must register to join and can only register for their grade level at the school they currently attend. **Registration ends on 12/20/24.**

The class is free and meets once a week after school throughout the school year on Tuesdays from 2:30-4:00 p.m. Students meet directly after school and a snack is provided. Students are required to be picked up at dismissal time of the program.

For more information please visit this website where you can find the registration for the class.

Thanksgiving Break

There will be no school for students on Wednesday, November 27- Friday, November 29. Students will return to school on Monday, December 2, 2024.

Have a great weekend,

Brian Valek
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