## Happy Friday Patriots, this your principal Mr. Qaiyim and this is your Friday call.

Monday, Feb. 21st the school and all district offices will be closed in celebration of Presidents' Day. School resumes on Tuesday, February 22nd.

On Tuesday, February 22nd I'm excited to announce that our school will participate in the 2022 National Assessment of Educational Progress also known as NAEP. It is the largest continuing and nationally representative assessment of what students across the country know and can do in a variety of subject areas. Some of our 8th graders have been selected to take the mathematics and reading assessments. To those that have been selected for this important test, I have no doubt you will represent us well!

Next week will be our last week of activities for Black History Month. During the upcoming week we will celebrate music and different genres of music throughout Black History.

On Wednesday, February 23rd from 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. the School Advisory Council will host a Black History Month Health and Wellness Fair. Join us for free food, raffles, prizes, student performances, and information about living a healthy lifestyle. We will have various district departments, surrounding city officials, representatives from area Magnet Medical Programs, and much more. So please join us on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. We hope to see you there!

There is before school tutoring from 8 am - 9 am and after school tutoring from 4 pm - 5:15 pm. However, we will not have after school tutoring on Wednesday, February 23, due to the Black History Month Health and Wellness Fair.

## In Athletics:

The boys and girls flag football team end their regular season next week with home games on Tuesday, Feb. 22nd vs. Parkway MS and on Wednesday, February 23rd vs Crystal Lake MS on P.A.L. field behind the school. The first game starts at 4:30pm each day. Remember if you plan to attend the game tickets must be purchased through the GoFan app. Also, after the game on Wednesday be sure to join us at the Health and Wellness Fair.

Parent a reminder, if your student is not involved in a supervised school activity, student coverage begins 30 minutes prior to the start of school and ends 30 minutes after dismissal. Students should be picked up by 4:30 pm. For any other activity that your student is participating in, please have transportation arranged for pick at the end of the activity. Additionally, remind students the importance of using crosswalks when walking to and from school and that they must remain in school dress code the

To keep you informed of the COVID cases that were reported this week for students and staff on campus, we had no reported cases this week.

As always, we appreciate your partnership with the school, and we look forward to your continued support.