

From The Dragon's Den

Happy, Happy New Year!! As a school family, it is always our yearly resolution to work together to ensure that every child experiences success on a daily basis. Never has this been more important than it is now as we embark on preparing for the return of face to face instruction on February 1.

During the week of January 4, your child's teacher will be reaching out to confirm your choice of face to face or virtual instruction under the district's modified Plan A. In order to make an informed decision, I have bulleted details of SME's approach to Plan A in this moment. If you have additional questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to me via phone, email, or Dojo so I can support you in making the best decision for your family.

- ★ Instruction will be delivered 5 days a week to virtual and face to face students by your child's current teacher.
- ★ Teacher/student assignments will not change.
- ★ Webcams have been ordered for every classroom so teachers can instruct their face to face students and virtual students at the same time.
- ★ To limit contact among our face to face students:
 - lunch will be delivered to the classrooms.
 - all specials, EC classes, and interventions will be delivered via zoom
 - all protocols recommended by the CDC will be strictly enforced - daily temperature checks, masks, 6 feet apart, frequent handwashing

Important January Dates

- 4 Zoom Classes Resume
- 15 End of 2nd 9 Weeks
- 18 No School, MLK Holiday
- 19 No School, Teacher Workday
- 22 Leadership Celebrations via Zoom
- 26 Report Cards Viewable in Parent Portal

Reminder

Please check the School Story on Dojo and/or your email accounts for ongoing updates regarding the return of face to face instruction on February 1.

THANK YOU

Special thanks to all who attended our Winter Parade! It was a moment of pure joy to see our SME families and all the smiling faces!