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REMINDERS FROM YOUR PRINCIPAL

- **Interim Reports:** Interim reports come out February 5, 2021. If you have any questions about your grades, be sure to communicate with your teachers.
- **Pre-ACT:** Sophomores will be taking the Pre-ACT on **February 16, 2021.**
- **ACT:** Juniors will be taking the ACT on **February 23, 2021;** There will be a 1:00 pm dismissal on this day.
- Due to ACT testing with Juniors, Feb.23rd will be a remote learning day for 9th, 10th, and 12th graders.
- **Report Cards:** Reports cards go out on March 10, 2021

CAREER SPOTLIGHT

Ethan Montgomery has been accepted into the Youth Technology Apprentice Camp (YTAC) winter cohort. YTAC is a program that allows participants to have fun competing in esports, developing essential STEM skills, and learning more about potential career opportunities. His acceptance in the Winter Cohort allows him to be offered pre-acceptances into the main Y-TAC Summer Cohort, which is a paid apprenticeship. He may even be offered pre-acceptance into the WIN program, which pays for an additional six months of training and places him in a new career that starts at \$55,000 a year. Great Job Ethan! Good Luck!

Poe Lu Lu has completed the pathway requirements for Automotive Customizing Technology. This pathway was offered through the Cape Fear Community College Dual Enrollment Program. KUDOS Poe Lu!

Nore Vaughter Shields is currently an intern at Live Oak Bank- The Grove. This internship opportunity is providing Nore with an opportunity to use his coursework from the Culinary Arts Pathway that he is currently pursuing through CCP.

Congratulations again to **Belle Lambdin** and **Tyler Balderson** for completing the Career Planning- What's Next activity that Mrs. Kirby asked the student body to complete during Career Development Week!

CAREER INSIDER By Ms. Kirby:

EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

What are Employability Skills?

Employability skills are transferable skills that are useful in nearly every job. Employability skills are also often referred to as employment skills, soft skills, work-readiness skills or foundational skills.

[Watch this video to learn more](#)

How Can You Improve Your Employability Skills?

Recruitment experts believe that there are 5 daily habits that will improve your employability.

1. Surround yourself with intelligent people.
2. Visualise your success.
3. Spend time improving your skills.
4. Publish yourself online.
5. Meet one new person a day - or follow up with someone you've met before

To learn more about these 5 daily habits visit the [MichaelPage website](#).

Why Are These Skills Important?

These skills will often improve your performance, minimize errors and promote collaboration with your coworkers, enabling you to perform your role more effectively.

xello

What is Xello?

Xello is a college and career planning software and it's free for all NHCS students.

Why Should I Use It?

It was purchased to help all students be Future Ready! It's a program that builds self knowledge, personalized plans, and critical life skills.



Click on the picture to view website and play video to see how Xello works

FIVE TIPS



to Help You Practice
RESILIENCE in **2021**

-● **TIP 1** Be open to changes and allow for flexibility.
-● **TIP 2** Keep things in perspective.
-● **TIP 3** Take care of yourself with activities you enjoy.
-● **TIP 4** Prioritize your relationships.
-● **TIP 5** Ask for help if you need it.

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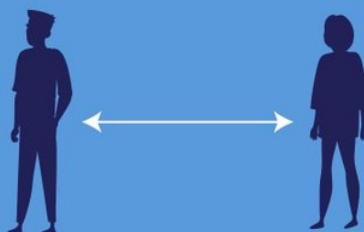
Stay Safe & Healthy

REMEMBER THE 3 Ws



WEAR

a cloth face
covering.



WAIT

six feet apart.
Avoid close contact.



WASH

your hands often
or use sanitizer.

A SPECIAL LETTER:

In Ms. Ferguson's English III class, the students read the book "Just Mercy" by Bryan Stevenson. Juniors had the assignment of writing a letter to the author, and for extra credit, they could actually send the letter to him.

This is exactly what David Dela Torre Zubiria did, and he got a response!

Here is an excerpt from his letter to Mr. Bryan Stevenson:

Dear Mr. Stevenson,

I hope this letter finds you well. My name is David; I am an Ecuadorian national, recently studying in the United States. I grew up in the big city of Quito, compared to New York or Seattle, would seem like a small town or a suburb. But, something that makes my city so particular is all the stories that surround every street and building. Our history runs deep in our veins, history that is older than the Spanish, which shines through in our traditions. Because of this heritage, I love to know about any story, legends of mysterious entities, love stories older than time, etc...

I am presently studying to benefit my future and to learn more about different languages and lifestyles, about stories of distinct people who have so much to say. Tales of stolen pride and war, tales of liberty and patriotism. The stories of injustice and the stories of people who prevail in justice overpowering race, origins, sex, and religion. Recently I read your acclaimed book Just Mercy, and it made me realize that the American criminal justice system is entirely different and more complex than the depiction of any television shows...

Thanks to you, people feel safer and calmer. And the more people that read your book, I honestly think, will want to help your cause. I would frankly love to support your noble cause and so would lots of people...

Here is an excerpt of the response from the author's assistant:

Mr. Stevenson would like you to know he has received your email and is grateful for your kind and encouraging words and interest in the work of EJI and criminal justice reform. It means a great deal to him to hear how Just Mercy is inspiring readers and he very much appreciates you taking the time to write and share your in-depth thoughts and perspectives. It is always encouraging for him to hear from young people who are engaged with these critical issues of our times and he thanks you for reaching out. We wish you great success and meaning with your academic studies. Take care and be well.

PRE-K NEWS:

Mosley Pre-K has been in partnership with the New Hanover County Senior Resource Center for 3 consecutive years.

Due to the pandemic, NHCSC implemented a new program to continue service with our New Hanover County Schools. The program, Foster GrandParent Pen Pal was put into practice to keep our Seniors connected with students and equally important ongoing employment until it is safe to return to the classrooms. Many of the Seniors are eager to return to work yet have stated writing assignments are fun and their creativity to new writing ideas/themes keeps them busy.

This is the 4th year Mosley Pre-K was awarded grant money to receive free books from a non-profit organization called, Team First Book. Team First Book distribution is very instrumental to supporting the child's education outside of the classroom setting. *(click on picture to view video link)*

TEAM FIRST BOOK



Beginning February 1, families with children 3 or 4 years old on August 31, 2021 are encouraged to apply for the New Hanover County Schools Early Education Program. Applications can be submitted online.

HOLIDAYS IN FEBRUARY:



February 1 - Start of Black History Month;



February 2 - Ground Hog Day



February 3 - National Carrot Cake Day



February 4 - National Homemade Soup Day



February 6 - National Frozen Yogurt Day



February 7 - National Send a Card to a Friend Day



February 8 - National Kite Flying Day



February 9 - National Pizza Day



February 12 - Abraham Lincoln's Birthday



February 14 - Valentine's Day



February 15 - Susan B. Anthony Day



February 20 - National Love Your Pet Day



February 22 - George Washington's Birthday



February 24 - National Tortilla Chip Day



February 27 - National Chili Day

BLACK HISTORY MONTH:

Black History Month is an annual celebration of achievements by African Americans and a time for recognizing their central role in U.S. history. Also known as African American History Month, the event grew out of "Negro History Week," the brainchild of noted historian Carter G. Woodson and other prominent African Americans.

Since 1976, every U.S. president has officially designated the month of February as Black History Month. Other countries around the world, including Canada and the United Kingdom, also devote a month to celebrating Black history.

See more about Black History Month on [The History Channel](#)

CELEBRATING BLACK WOMEN LEADERS:



Rosa Parks helped initiate the civil rights movement in Montgomery, Alabama in 1955

Shirley Chisholm was the first African American woman elected to the US Congress in 1972



Kamala Harris is the first female Vice President, & the first African American and first Asian American VP