



January 13, 2023

Dear Keeneyville District 20 Families,

As a reminder, there will be **no school on Monday, January 16** due to Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Classes will resume on Tuesday, January 17. We have a couple of updates and reminders for families as we head into the long weekend.

### 1. Text Message Notifications - NEW

District 20 is adding ***text message notifications*** to our communications tools for all staff and families. This month we will begin to use text notifications to send out important information including updates, school closings, safety alerts, and more. We will continue to communicate all alerts and notifications by robocall, email, our website, and by social media (Facebook and Twitter @KeeneyvilleD20). Text notifications will just add a new convenient communication option for you.

***Please see the attached flyer for more information and for required steps to activate text notifications (ENGLISH / SPANISH).*** You will need to complete two steps in order to opt-in to receive text notifications from us: **(1)** update your Skylert Notification Preferences in [Skyward](#) to include text messaging and add your cell phone number, and **(2)** confirm that you would like to receive text notifications by sending “Y” (or “Yes”) via text message from your cell phone to our short code number 67587 (or use QR code on flyer).

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to your school office or email [info@esd20.org](mailto:info@esd20.org) for assistance.

### 2. Parent/Guardian Interest Survey

The D20 Parent-Teacher Advisory Committee is comprised of parents, staff, administrators, and board members from across the district and helps to guide family engagement and learning opportunity activities. The Committee is seeking input from all families as to the type of events they may be interested in attending. Please take a couple of minutes to take a brief [Parent/Guardian Interest Survey](#) to let us know your thoughts as we plan for upcoming district-wide events.

### 3. Dr. Castillo’s Coffee Chats

We invite parents and guardians to join Dr. Castillo for coffee and donuts at one of the upcoming monthly Coffee Chats to get to know one another and talk about anything that is on your mind. The first [Coffee Chat](#) will be next week, on **Wednesday, January 18 at Waterbury School from 8:15am-8:45am**. Each month the location will rotate to each school. Anyone is welcome to attend at any location. Please stop by after dropping off your student and check-in at the main school office.

We hope that you enjoy the long weekend with your families!

Sincerely,

Dr. Omar Castillo  
Superintendent  
Keeneyville ESD20