## **Glen Cove City School District**

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Dear Glen Cove community,

I would like to remind students and parents/ guardians that all district schools will be closed on **Monday**, **January 15th** as we observe and celebrate the life and legacy of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr. King's dedicated life was focused on eradicating racism and poverty throughout our nation. His advocacy for change through non-violence played a pivotal role in propelling significant advancements towards equity in the United States. As we reflect on his life, we acknowledge the considerable progress made in the name of civil rights, economic justice, and education.

Nevertheless, it is crucial to remain aware of the persisting challenges. In recent years, we have encountered new obstacles in our ongoing pursuit of racial justice. Dr. King emphasized that the mission of education is to cultivate intelligence with character.

Within the Glen Cove City School District, we are steadfast in our commitment to foster an educational environment that is inclusive and supportive of all our students. Our programs are designed to cater to the diverse needs of each student, meeting them at their individual levels of requirement. As a district, we aspire to empower all our young individuals with the qualities, character, and skills necessary for critical and effective thinking, both as individuals and as part of a collective community.

On this day dedicated to the memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., I urge each of us to honor his legacy by addressing any injustice we encounter and persistently working towards fostering inclusiveness and compassion for all.

Sincerely,

Dr. Maria L. Rianna

Superintendent of Schools

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