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After School LEAP At-Risk Tutoring

Several of you kicked off your first session of tutoring on Tuesday of this week. Some of you are waiting until next week. When you start is up to you. We need to make sure we are including **ALL** students who will be expected to test this spring. That includes our Special Education students, 504 students, EEL students, and VIP students.

I think I have been able with the help of several of you to get our VIP students paired where there was a need with other schools. If you still have VIP students who are not assigned to a tutor and need assistance with that, let me know.

Jamie and I have shared some good resources that can be used with the READY math curriculum for your remediation. The Tools for Instruction are scripted and excellent resources if you have a tutor that is not a teacher or a fourth grade teacher.



Recap

- Great job with getting tutors
- Include ***ALL*** student groups who are at-risk
- Send in contracts if you haven't
- Take advantage of READY Math Resources for Tutoring

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Interest and Opportunities Survey

The Interest and Opportunities Survey has been released. Maribeth has provided you with the information needed to access and complete the survey. This survey counts as part of your Interest and Opportunities points that you can earn toward your school SPS.

Please get the survey completed as there is a deadline. Let Maribeth or me know if you are unable to access the survey.

Here's the link to the survey: https://form.jotform.com/203507893119156

The survey will remain open until Monday, February 22, but it must be completed (including verification by Dr. Coker) by that date so don't wait too late.

Recap

- Complete the Interest and Opportunities Survey.
- Deadline is Monday, February 22

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Healthy Communities Survey

As required by state law, the Louisiana Department of Education monitors and evaluates health, recess, physical activity, and employee training in schools to provide an annual report to the Louisiana Legislature.

Your participation is critical to providing accurate, high-quality data to the Senate and House Committees on Health and Welfare.

Although you may collect information from other staff in your school, please have only one person complete this survey by or before January 29, 2021. We need all principals to complete the survey.

Click ***HERE*** to access the link.

Recap

- All Principals need to complete the survey.
- Link is provided for you on the left.
- Complete survey before January 29th.

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LEAP Testing Window Survey

We are providing you with some options for our Computer based On-Line LEAP Assessment testing windows. Maribeth has created a survey for you to complete to express your choice. The choices are ONLY for any testers at you school who will take the Computer Based Assessments. That would be **ALL** fifth graders everywhere, some fourth graders (depending on what decision you made about how to test your fourth graders).

ALL third grade students will take the paper pencil tests and that window has been set by the DOE and we have no choice in that matter.



LEAP
Testing Window

Recap

- Make your vote count
- Let you voice be heard
- Complete the survey by 3:00 Friday, January 22nd.
- Click ***HERE*** for the link to the survey

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February 16 District PD Day

The schedule of events has been sent out for our February 16th District PD day. Several groups of teachers will be involved in activities during some portion of the day.

Some of the sessions will be face to face and some will be held virtually.

Please make sure your teachers know where to access the schedule on-line or make sure you print them a copy of the schedule of events.

Please make sure you send home a reminder to parents that there is **NO School** for students (including VIP students) on Tuesday, February 16th.

Recap

- February 16 NO STUDENTS
- Make sure teachers know if they are expected to attend a PD session.
- Schedule can be accessed ***HERE***

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Once Again, THANK YOU!

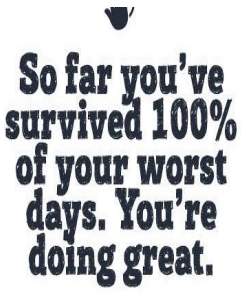
I want to thank you again for ***ALL*** you are continuing to do during this unprecedented school year. This has definitely been one of a kind and hopefully we won't experience another like it.

You have done a great job during the first half of the year as you have continued to meet every challenge.

Challenges that include quarantining teachers, students, being without subs at times, dealing with VIP and brick/mortar enrollments, staffing, safety precautions, etc.

Some of you have even been sick yourself. I again commend you for all you have done and I'm so thankful that all of you are still alive and working through this.

May God continue to bless and protect.



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