

Good evening Jamestown Middle School Families. This is Dr. Vernon with a few important reminders.

As many of you know, this coming week is Teacher Appreciation Week and we are celebrating by inviting each of our students to participate in a "Gratitude Challenge". We have some of the most dedicated, phenomenal teachers out there and we want to let them know! The challenge is simple, all they need to do is post a comment, video or picture with their gratitude for each of their teachers to our Padlet. The link can be found on our Facebook page, website and on our Team Tiger Canvas Page. All participating students will be entered to win one of five gift cards. Let's shower our awesome teachers with gratitude!

I also want to remind you about the 2020 Census. Your responses could lead to more funding for our district and school. Go to [2020census.gov](https://2020census.gov) and complete the form online. Your census responses help determine our community's federal funding for school lunches, special education, PreK services, and teacher training, as well as support for children's healthcare, hospitals, housing, firefighters and unemployment assistance. The 2020 Census also determines how many seats our state and region have in Congress.

Each month we highlight a different character trait here at JMS. During May and June, we will be talking about Perseverance with students. Our current situation certainly gives us a great opportunity to develop and practice perseverance. Please join us in talking with our kids about perseverance.

We still miss you and can't wait to have you all back in the building!

Go Tigers!