

# Board Notes

Monday, January 26, 2026

## Items of Note

- **Quarter 2 (20 Weeks):** ends January 30th
- Mid Terms will be the weeks of January 26 - February 6
  - Peer Coordinators are responsible for coordinating the days of the tests so that students are not overwhelmed with multiple tests on the same day..
  - In class exams will be during the regular class period. Teachers have the flexibility within the grade level to extend to the following week as to not overload.
- **Computer Based Testing -**
  - We will be participating in a Computer Based Testing (CBT) simulation **the week of January 26 for all grades in Math classes.**
  - The purpose of this is to prepare students for the upcoming NYS assessments which is scheduled for the following dates:

### ELA CBT

Session 1: April 21, 2026  
Session 2: April 22, 2026  
Make-Ups: April 23 - May 1

### Math CBT

Session 1: May 5, 2026  
Session 2: May 6, 2026  
Make-Ups: May 7 - May 15

### Grade 8 Science CBT

Session 1: May 12, 2026  
Make-Ups: May 13 - May 15

- Now that we have passed the first 20 weeks are coming to a close, we continue to identify students that **MUST** attend the After School Assistance Program (ASAP), for students failing one or more subjects. The goal is to have students stay after school from 2:45 - 3:40 to make up any missing work or work with a teacher to get the failing grade up to pass before the close of the marking period.
- Don't forget to check out the Middle School website and look for the link to the clubs and activities calendar. Please [Click Here](#) to view our Middle School Calendar. This calendar includes clubs/activities and important dates coming up that are updated daily.
- **AIMSweb+ Winter Benchmark Screening** for Math and ELA was held on **January 6 and 9**. We will use these two data points as a comparison tool for student progress and to identify any gaps and to give intervention as necessary.
  - Data will be available for each student through Portfolio+ in PowerSchool.
- Builders Club is organizing a fundraiser for World Cancer Day during the week of February 2–6. We will be selling ribbons, and for every \$1 ribbon sold, the student or staff member making the donation will be entered into a drawing to win a Razor scooter. In the past, we have donated the money raised to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. However, this year we will be donating the funds to an organization in honor of one of our students that was affected by cancer. Students will be hanging posters and selling ribbons during lunch periods that week in support of this very worthy cause.

## Good To Know

- *January 26 - February 6 - Midterm Exams*
- *January 23 - End of Semester 1/Quarter 2*
- *January 19 - No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day*
- *February 16 - No School - President's Day*
- *February 17 - No School - Lunar New Year*

*"Happiness cannot be traveled to, owned, earned, worn or consumed. Happiness is the spiritual experience of living every minute with love, grace, and gratitude."*

*Denis Waitley*