



January 15, 2021

Dear John F. Kennedy Families:

Last month, before school dismissed for the winter break, I made multiple appeals, encouraging families to fill out the [District's LCFE survey](#). I shared with you that the survey results would impact Title I funding. Today, I want to thank all who responded to my request. To illustrate the power of your participation, I am pleased to share that we will receive over \$300,000 in Title I monies to be spent on students during the 2021-22 school year.

I realize that sometimes our requests seem rather inconsequential, but as this example illustrates, your support really does make a difference!

### **Monday, January 18**

Monday, January 18 is a school holiday in celebration of the life and work of Martin Luther King, Jr.

### **PSAT**

Earlier this week, the [PSAT, scheduled for January 26, was canceled](#). If new information becomes available, I will be in touch.

### **Finals Schedule**

Finals begin Monday, January 25. The "bell" schedule is unchanged.

Monday, January 25th	Normal Monday Schedule with Collaboration Time
Tuesday, January 26th	Normal Tuesday schedule with periods 1, 3, 5
Wednesday, January 27th	Finals for periods 2, 4, 6
Thursday, January 28th	Finals for periods 1, 3, 5
Friday, January 29th	Normal Friday schedule with periods 2, 4, 6; Finals make up day



## **Google Classroom**

We are proud of our teachers for quickly becoming proficient with Google Classroom. It is a great tool that makes distance learning a little less challenging. As we approach the end of first semester, please note that most teachers will be creating new Google Classrooms for each of their class periods. Please be on the lookout for communication from teachers that include join codes or invites to second semester classrooms. We want to make sure all students are able to access the new classrooms, so they can start the new semester without hiccups.

## **Teachers of the Month**

A hearty congratulations to Sensei Suzuki, Ms. Baniecki, and Mr. Bryant who were named January's teachers of the month. Students praised Sensei for his understanding, perseverance, kindness, and dedication to seeing that all students succeed. Ms. Baniecki was complimented for her organization, creativity, and commitment to the social and emotional well-being of her students. Last but not least, students appreciated Señor Bryant's sense of humor, generosity with his time, careful planning, and attentiveness. Way to go, teachers!

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