

What's New:

Greetings Northeast Nation! Happy New Year! Welcome to 2023! I hope we all had an enjoyable break! It is wonderful seeing our students' faces back in school!

MLK DAY We are looking forward to Celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on Friday 1/13 and Monday 1/16. More information to come.

Montclair Black Coalition (MBC) launched the 2023 Black History Month Poster Competition last month, and Montclair Public Schools' Central Office has approved this competition for distribution ([see Digital Backpacks](#)). Since the approval we have revised the submission deadline to January 20th. This competition is an opportunity for students to dive deep into Black History and share what they have learned with the community.

Heart for Art: Thank you to everyone who participated in The REFLECTIONS ART CONTEST. More information to follow regarding celebrations!

Nurse's Note:

It is most helpful to do the following when your child will be absent:

- 1 Call the attendance line 973-509-4242 #1 to report your child's absence before 9am.
- 2 Though not mandatory, it is helpful to let the school nurse know if your child has tested positive for RSV, Strep, COVID, Flu, or any other contagious disease.

Nurse Christie,

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General Housekeeping:

- Student Safety: We have been doing better with arrival! Please remember to stay in the car and let our staff support you. Also, remember this is a no passing zone.
- This is a reminder that parents are not to park in the staff parking lot at dismissal or any time of the day. It was brought to my attention that a staff member's car was hit. Please adhere to policy regarding parent pick-up and parking.
- If you are visiting the school during the day, you may use the right hand side only of the semi-circle in front of the school to park during the hours of 8:45 am and 2 pm. The left side of the semi-circle is staff parking only.
- Please be sure to update your contact information in Genesis.

Celebrations:

- Thank You to the MLK Planning Committee!
- Thank you to our maintenance team for getting our building ready for our return.

Upcoming Dates:

1/16/23 District Closed-MLK Jr. Day

1/26/23 Early Dismissal at 1:10 pm

The school district calendar is always posted on the Montclair Public School District website: www.montclair.k12.nj.us. [Here is a copy of the calendar](#), please be sure to refer to it for upcoming district events and closings.