

November 16, 2023

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students:

As we approach the season of gratitude and prepare to take time off from school on Wednesday, **November 22**, **through Friday**, **November 24**, for Thanksgiving break, I want to express my gratitude for your continued support.

I want to thank:

- Our students who do their best to show up to class every day, even when it can be challenging.
- Our parents who work collaboratively with us to reinforce school expectations while students are at home.
- Our teachers who have gone above and beyond to help make our school a welcoming and engaging learning environment where students can thrive.
- Our administrators who help us work together to ensure we are healthy and safe, feel a sense of community, and experience the excitement of an engaging learning environment.
- And finally, our support staff and community members who provide the extra hands and attention our students need.

Attending school daily helps students engage in routines. It is essential for reducing stress and creating a sense of security for students. We ask that you please take steps to send students to school unless they are genuinely sick. Every day of school is an important opportunity for students to learn and connect with peers and their teachers. Let's reflect and be thankful for the many doors that education opens, the relationships formed, and the experiences that have broadened our perspective. May we continue to cherish the gift of learning and invest in our students' futures.

- If your family or your child needs support, please reach out to Ms. Walker, our 9th and 10th-grade graduation coach, at swalker1@nps.k12.va.us or Dr. Callahan, our 11th and 12th-grade graduation coach at acallahan@nps.k12.va.us.
- We look forward to seeing you again when school resumes on Monday, November 27, 2023.

As always, thank you for your continued support. We are TITAN STRONG!

Sincerely,

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