



Catherine & Count Basie M.S. 72 Weekly Newsletter



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Principal’s Message

Trimester II is off to a great start. Our teachers and scholars received new schedules, our monthly Town Hall meeting reviewed Basie expectations, we had a visit from **Queens Borough President Donovan Richards** and we were featured on **CBS News**. Finally, we ended our week with a **College Awareness Celebration and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Presentation**.

Thank you to all our scholars, educators and parents for organizing, facilitating and participating in all the events.

As we get closer to the NYS Assessments and stated in my last newsletter, assessments are extremely important. Assessments give us data that informs our instruction. This week, our scholars will take a Math Stimulation assessment on Wednesday and Thursday. Please express the importance of all assessments to our scholars.

ATTENDANCE IS EVERYONE’S BUSINESS! Several clerical errors have been made with attendance that could be a factor why our year to date attendance has dropped. It is extremely imperative that accurate attendance is taken daily in every class, corrections are made and documented. **Further support will be provided.**

We must continue to ensure our voices are heard prior to the PEP vote. Please see the rescheduled date below:

Please save the following dates: The Panel for Public Education vote has been rescheduled and will be held on **Tuesday, January 24, 2023 at 6:00PM, Long Island City High School**. (In-person) Transportation will be provided for staff, scholars and parents. Please share the information, we need the support.

Please pay close attention to ALL the notifications sent about the upcoming PEP vote. Mixed information has been communicated last week, I will ensure you receive updated information that is correct. The PEP vote is still in person and scheduled for January 24th until further notice.

Thank you for all your hard work and dedication to this school community. I’m aware this is additional work and can be overwhelming, but we must remain **FOCUSED** and **UNITED!**

Week at a Glance

**Monday, January 16th –
Dr. Martin Luther King’s
Birthday-No School**

**Tuesday, January 17th
SIT Team Meeting Period 2
WIN Periods**

**Parent Engagement/Other
Professional Work 2:25-3:15
Special Education Meeting @
2:30 in room 306**

**Data Team 3:20-4:30
PTA Meeting@ 6:00PM
Title 1 Meeting @ 7:00PM**

**Wednesday, January 18th
Math Stimulation- Part 1
ELA & Social Studies Team
Meeting
ILT 2:45-3:45
Family Literacy Night 4:00-6:00**

**Thursday, January 19th
Math Stimulation-Part 2
Cabinet Meeting- Period 2
Attendance Meeting @10:00**

**Friday, January 20th
Electives- Period 1
Math Team Meeting**



Enhancing Our Practice

Dialogical Teaching and Classroom Talk

“Dialogical Teaching” means using talk most effectively for carrying out teaching and learning. Dialogic teaching involves ongoing talk between teachers and students, not just teacher-presentation.

Through dialogue, teachers can elicit students’ every day, common sense perspectives, engage with their developing ideas and help them overcome misunderstandings.

When students are given opportunities to contribute to classroom dialogue in extended and varied ways, they can explore the limits of their own understanding. At the same time they practice new ways of using language as a tool for constructing knowledge.

<https://blog.irisconnect.com/uk/blog/developing-effective-dialogic-teaching-and-classroom-talk>

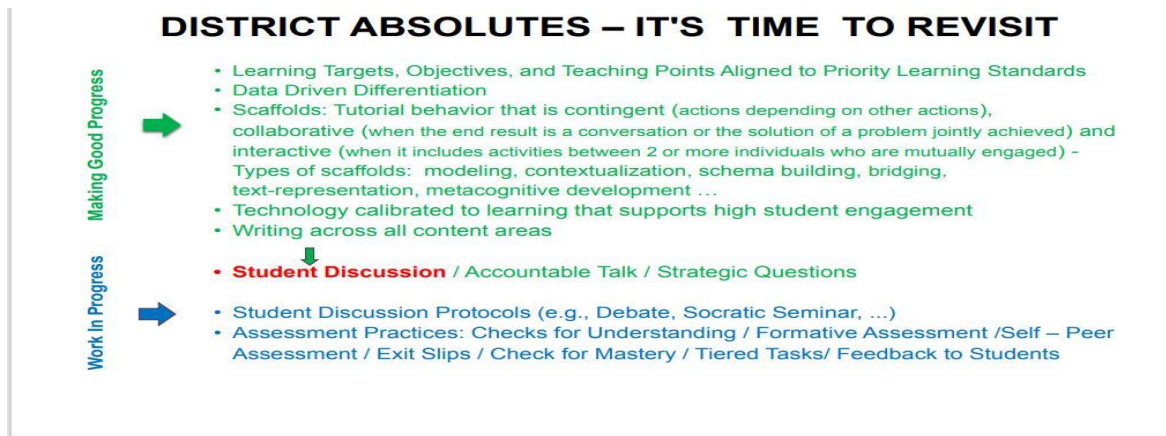
Nearpod, Peardeck & Padlet

During the pandemic, we provided remote learning and became creative with ways to provide instruction, engage and assess our scholars. Several of those practices are no longer being used during instruction. Please revisit Nearpod, Peardeck and Padlet so you can use these resources on a daily basis. A school wide subscription will be available after there is evidence that educators have used the trial period and implemented some of the practices.

<https://nearpod.com/>

<https://www.peardeck.com/>

<https://padlet.com/>



District 28's Absolutes

Please ensure you have familiarized yourself with the District's Absolutes.

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