



**GRADE REPORTING:** Second Quarter ends on Friday, January 7, 2022. Report Cards for Second Quarter will be sent out on Friday, January 14, 2022.

**MAP TESTING:** MAP Testing for all grades will take place between January 10-21. MAP Testing is an academic achievement and growth tool that will be completed three times a year in each year the student is enrolled at CBA. We will be able to track academic growth as well as compare our student's progress to those across the nation. Students completed their first round of MAP Tests in September.

**MARTIN LUTHER KING JR DAY:** There will be NO SCHOOL on Monday, January 18, 2022 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

**INTERNATIONAL WEEK:** Something new this year we are starting is called International Week. This will take place February 7-11. Each grade level will pick a country to research and learn about and will create displays about what they have learned, dress in the native dress, even cook some of the culture's favorite dishes. We encourage parents to get involved and help. More information will come out later.

**ENROLLMENT ORIENTATION:** We will be switching to a new software for next school year that will condense everything into one app. Instead of using 3-4 media, Blackbaud will allow us to do everything from one platform. Grades that will be always visible to parents, communication, and newsletters (CLASSDOJO), attendance, and more. This software also allows you to make online payments from your phone for tuition, lunch charges, after school, and more. Since this is a big change from what we have been doing, we will be hosting an Enrollment Orientation on Thursday, February 17 from 5:30-7:30pm in the school cafeteria. We will have multiple computers set up and people will be there to help you with the transition. It may take some time to adjust but I believe everyone will enjoy the new software because it includes everything (and more) in one place.

**TEACHER IN-SERVICE DAY:** There will be NO SCHOOL on Friday, February 18 because teachers will have in-service.

**PRESIDENT'S DAY:** There will NO SCHOOL on Monday, February 21 because of President's Day.

**CLASSDOJO:** Parents should be frequently checking ClassDojo for information concerning school closings, important announcements, communication with teachers, and other updates. If you still are not connected to ClassDojo, get with your classroom teacher or the office for help.

**ONECALLNOW:** The school uses an automated phone messaging system called OneCall Now to reach all parents when there will be weather delays/closings, important announcements, reminders, or emergencies. If you are not on our current phone list, please call the office to update your contact information so that we may add you.

**VOLUNTEERS:** We are interested in having parents volunteer to help us. Volunteering is a great way for us to keep costs down plus it allows you to get to know us a little better. Please look on Class Dojo for the volunteer form or contact the office for more information.

**TEAM KID:** It meets every Sunday night from 5-6 p.m. at the top entrance of the Academy Gym. Each night kids will experience games, crafts, snacks, a Bible lesson, and Bible memorization. TEAM KID is for children in Kindergarten through 6th Grade. This program is sponsored by Central Baptist Church.

**FRIDAY JEANS DAYS:** Every Friday, staff and students can donate \$1 and wear blue jean pants to school. The money donated will go to school activities, such as field trips, Fall Festival, and more. Students are also encouraged to wear CBA spirit wear for their top, but if they don't have any, they must wear a uniform top with the jeans. The \$1 will be collected by their homeroom teacher. Students who don't donate \$1 will have to remain in uniform.

**EDCHOICE CHECKS:** EdChoice checks come out every month now. Mrs. Loftis is sending messages through ClassDojo anytime the checks are in and need to be signed. Please check Dojo regularly so you know when to come in and sign your checks. Thank you.

**FROM THE NURSE:** Make sure that your student is up to date on all the vaccinations for the 2021-2022 school year. Please visit [centralbaptistacademy.org](http://centralbaptistacademy.org) for a complete list of those that are required.

**WATER BOTTLES:** The water fountains are again turned OFF at school this year. We ask that all students bring a water bottle to school to have water at any time they wish.

**LUNCH CHARGES:** This is a reminder that students are only able to charge up to three meals. Outstanding fees must be paid before they may charge again. Students who have outstanding lunch charges will be given Lunchables, or cheese crackers, if they did not bring their own lunch. Reminder, we can accept payments over the phone.

**ABSENCES:** If your child is absent from school, please remember to send a written note when he/she returns to school. Also, if you wish to pick up work for your child(ren) when they are absent, please call the office or message the teacher on Dojo.

**AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM:** Winter, and possible bad weather, are quickly approaching. This is a reminder that the After-School Program closes at 5:30pm. There is a \$15 late fee if children are picked up between 5:30 and 6:00pm, and it is \$45 if they are picked up after 6:00pm. When you pick up your child, he/she needs to be signed out with the time of pickup recorded. If your child is not signed out, you will be charged the maximum for the day.

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**January 4-7** – Dibels Screening

**January 10-21** – MAP Testing Window

**January 17** - Martin Luther King, Jr Day (NO SCHOOL)

**February 7-11** - International Week

**February 17** – Progress Reports for 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter go home

**February 17** – Enrollment Orientation

**February 18** – Teacher In-Service (NO SCHOOL)

**February 21**- President's Day (NO SCHOOL)