

November 14, 2021

Dear Parents, Teachers, Staff and Community Members of Hollins High School this is Principal Robert Florio with your weekly update:

- As we head into the last week before Thanksgiving break a couple of important reminders:
 - This quarter and final exam will make up nearly two thirds of your student's grades – there is a lot of time to raise grades and finish strong
 - ELP – extended learning after school from 2 to 3 pm in our Media Center from Monday through Thursday will continue this week and through the week up until Holiday break at semester. Teachers in all content areas ready, willing and able to assist students with tutoring, test preparation and homework
 - Check FOCUS regularly to ensure your student is on track – contact your student's teacher's directly with any questions, concerns or for support
 - Encourage your student to show up on time dressed for success and ready to work through the end of the semester – by hard work and effort they will be successful
- We hosted a tremendous Discovery Night last week entertaining and demonstrating what we have to offer at our school to respective 8th grade students and their parents. Nothing is better than a personal endorsement – please encourage your friends and family to apply to one of our programs this January and become part of our Royal family
- Fall/Thanksgiving Challenges will be conducted throughout Thanksgiving break – students in FSA/EOC courses can work through material and content that will help them perform at their highest level for their semester exam and for the end of year exam – check our school's website for details
- Winter sports are in full swing – schedule of all athletic events and information is available on our school's website. Tickets to all events are online only through go fan.co
- **PCS Connects:** All 9th and 10th grade students are eligible for a new touch screen Dell laptop computer/tablet to use for their entire career at Hollins High School. If your student has not received one – please contact their administrator directly for details.
- **Level Up Opportunities: Action Item**
- Please encourage your students and families to participate in these upcoming Level Up opportunities. Be sure to include the information below and the link to our Level Up webpage (www.pcsb.org/levelup) in your schoolwide communications. Please reach out to the appropriate content specialist with questions about Level Up experiences.
- **High School/ All you need to know about concordant scores on the road to graduation**

- This Math and ELA Level Up to Graduation virtual workshop will introduce students and parents to an ELP course in Canvas where students can get support toward earning a concordant score on the ACT or SAT. Students' concordance scores will be reviewed, there will be a tour of the Canvas course and an explanation on how students can engage in the options to improve their chances for earning a concordant score.
- Target Group: Grades 9-12.

Enjoy the rest of your evening surrounded by good friends and family in good health and high spirits! See you at the top!