Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

PROGRESS REPORT CARDS
Progress reports went out last Friday, February 28th. Please contact your counseling team, Mrs. Tena Kordes, Mrs. Sonia Perez, Mrs. Nancy Alves with any questions, concerns or feedback.

STAR SCIENCE TEST –8th / SMARTER BALANCE FIELD TEST –ALL
All 8th grade students will take the state Science test, as usual, in April/May. Our testing window this year runs from April 7 – May 16th. We will place a testing calendar up on School Loop shortly. The Smarter Balance field test, which is replacing the STAR / CST testing, will allow students to take their assessments online for both Math and ELA. Chrome books will be utilized this year, as a roll out period. The Chrome book carts will be mobile so that students can take their exams in the comfort of their regular classroom setting. More information will follow as we near the end of the month.

MARCH MADNESS/ HOOP IT UP
Volleyball and soccer seasons have started. Our athletes are working hard to improve their skills and stamina each day. Track and Field will be starting for boys and girls at the end of March. Check School loop for details. Hoop it up is starting Monday, March 10th. Looking forward to this three week basketball tournament on site.

DETENTION / FRIDAY SCHOOL
Students are expected to report to detention on time. Students that show up later than 2:40 will not be admitted and will be marked a “no show” resulting in a follow up consequence. Detention runs Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday only. Friday school runs from 2:40-4:45, typically every other Friday.

Students are expected to bring Homework and study materials to the detention. This is a great opportunity to catch up or stay on top of deadlines and academics. Detention is a means to correct a behavior or circumstance that was against our school community’s expectations. A detention referral can be from habitual tardies to class, defiant to teacher, foul language, dress code compliance, cell phone concerns, disrespect to peer or staff member. Fighting is not a detention, but rather a suspension from school and school related activities.

José L. Manzo, Superintendent
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STUDENT RECOGNITION
The Bernal Staff is extremely proud of our students who have achieved a 3.0 GPA or higher for the first semester. We honored over 540 students in the field of Honor Roll and Principals Honor Roll. Thank you, Syed Rahim, Bernal Student President for leading the night with words of wisdom.

6th GRADE ORIENTATION NIGHT
There is not a 6th grade Orientation in March this year for Bernal, Davis or Herman/Adventure. All 6th/incoming orientations will take place in August. Additionally, all Administrators will continue to bring a presentation to the feeder schools during the instructional day for 6th grade students.

EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDING STUDENT AWARD
Congratulations to Chazayah De Los Monteros 8th grade Bernal Student for being selected for the Oak Grove Management Association for the award “Every Student Succeeding.” This award is given to a student who has overcome personal challenges yet still excels in school. She was honored in front of the entire district last night at Herman Intermediate School.

UPCOMING EVENTS
March 18 Bernal’s Gym Naming Ceremony 5:00 PM
Bernal: District Superintendent’s State of the Union / Innovative Spirit Awards 6:00 PM
PFC Meeting 7:00 PM School Library
March 19 Mandatory Parent Meeting: Washington DC 6:00 PM
March 21 Picture Day
March 25 African American Koffee Klatch Meeting 7:00 – 8:00 PM Library

Sincerely,

Kristina Clecak
Principal