Hello Hornet Families,

Happy Sunday! I am happy to announce ARMS Met Growth for the 2022-2023 school year! We are especially excited about the performance of our ELA and Math 1 teams! Congratulations to our Hornet family! This year, our goal is to exceed expected growth in ELA, Math, and 8th grade science. This is going to take a laser focus on The UPGRADE and our team is poised to do just that. As a reminder, attendance significantly contributes to performance. Students must be in school every day for every class. To help us attain the goal, please be sure your child is in school daily and avoid early dismissals. Our first incentive will be for attendance. All students who are in attendance from September 11 – September 29 will be rewarded. We can all do it! As a reminder, students are not to be on campus before 8:00am.

On Monday, seventh & eighth grade students will participate in bus evacuation drills during their lunch blocks. This is a district initiative focused on safety for our students.

MAP testing is scheduled for Tuesday in math and Thursday in ELA. The MAP test helps us to gauge student growth throughout the year and helps us with determining how on-track we are with meeting our goals. Please encourage your child to do their personal best on the MAP test. Our goal is to score within the College & Career Ready range for each administration. There is a hiccup with rostering for MAP testing and we may need to delay testing for one or more of the tests. Still, that gives us more time to reinforce excellence in effort. Thank you in advance.

If you plan to exclude your child from the district Title IX lesson, Opt Out letters are due back to homeroom teachers on Tuesday. ARMS will have our annual Title IX lesson on Wednesday, September 13.

Families, we are seeking membership on our PTO and School Improvement Teams. If you, or a Hornet parent you know, would be a great fit for our teams, please call the school or email me at <u>toni.perry@cms.k12.nc.us</u>. Our first SIT meeting will be Tuesday, September 19 @ 5:00. We will meet virtually unless the team makes a decision to meet in person.

Our first Family Night of 2023-2024 will be September 21 beginning at 5:00. Join us for heavy refreshments and our official parent orientation to The Upgrade! Please save the date and, if you have downloaded ParentSquare, check out the calendar of events posted.

Also, save the date for the 2024-2025 Magnet Choice Lottery which will begin November 1.

Remember to follow us on Instagram (@arms.ib.academy), Facebook (Albemarle Road Middle Academy), and download the CMSParentSquare app to your phone for the latest updates!

Have a great Sunday!