## Hello Hornet Families,

Thank you for a wonderful first week back! You have been engaged and following through at home and we appreciate you for that. Last week, students brought home an emergency dismissal form, the Chromebook agreement, Power School parent letters and notification about the ParentSquare app. Please be sure to return the dismissal form and the Chromebook agreement. Also, download the ParentSquare app from your Apple or Play Store and setup your Parent Power School account.

Monday is Labor Day and there will be no school. Students will return to school on Tuesday, September 5, which will be a B-day. Remember, attendance is essential. If your child is enrolled at ARMS and has not begun class yet, make Tuesday their first day. If your child is enrolled at a different school but has not withdrawn from ARMS, we need the new school to initiate the withdrawal.

Students who returned their signed Chromebook agreement will receive devices and chargers on Tuesday. Most students will need to charge their device at home Tuesday night. Please be sure your child charges their Chromebook on Tuesday night and is ready for a new device setup on Wednesday. Chromebooks will come home nightly and should be fully charged. Chromebooks are the student's responsibility, and they should be careful to store and use it appropriately.

Title IX Opt Out letters will be sent home with all students on Wednesday. Please read the letter, and if you choose to exclude your child from the Title IX lesson, return the completed Opt Out letter no later than Tuesday, September 12. ARMS will have our annual Title IX lesson on Wednesday, September 13.

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 <a href="mailto:toni.perry@cms.k12.nc.us">toni.perry@cms.k12.nc.us</a>. Our first SIT meeting will be Tuesday, September 19 @ 5:00. More details to come.

Our first Family Night of 2023-2024 will be September 21 beginning at 5:30. 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 this weekend.

Also, save the date for the 2024-2025 Magnet Choice Lottery which will begin November 1. Save this date and start now with making your school selections for next year. This message is especially important for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

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 wonderful long weekend.

See you Tuesday!