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Dear Trinity North Learning Community,

HAPPY NEW YEAR! We hope that you enjoyed a restful time during your break, and we are gearing up for an exciting second half of the school year.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

Perhaps the most overhyped thing at this time of year is that of new year's resolutions. However, at North, part of our cycle of continuous improvement requires us to set goals to try to reach.

*Here are just a few of our 2020 new year's resolutions...*

- Implement flexible grouping time in Kindergarten, First, and Second Grades. This time will be literacy-focused, and it will allow teachers to work with groups of students specific to their current levels, needs, and abilities. This will happen once per week, but we anticipate that the time will be helpful in creating young readers! (Third-Fifth grade are already using data-driven flexible groups in both reading and math to meet student needs.)
- Expand our offerings for hands-on learning at North. We already have so much to offer, and we are writing grants to immerse our students in more opportunities to apply our curriculum in new and unique ways. Stay tuned for more!
- Continue to focus on kindness. While we aren't perfect, we are focused on ensuring that we are modeling and teaching kindness both during our TEAMology lessons and beyond.
  - KINDNESS CHAIN: Did your child or a family member perform an act of kindness? Let us know about it! Please fill out a slip of paper in the basket on the front table in the main office. No names—simply write down the act of kindness and place it in the bucket. We will add it to our building's chain to see how many acts of kindness we can accumulate this year!
- Look at ways to make this monthly news more interactive. I'm testing some ways (hopefully involving some of our students) to do this! Stay tuned.

## TEAMOLOGY UPDATES



Our new token goal is 50,000 tokens, and we are 6,989 tokens toward our new goal! Your child can keep tracking the progress toward our goal on the kindness wall in the main hallway.

## TRINITY NORTH IN THE NEWS

*CONGRATULATIONS MATH TEACHERS AND MATHEMATICIANS!* Trinity North was NINTH IN THE STATE in growth in math grades 4–8. Please review the entire list [here](#):

*READ WITH FRIENDS:* Our “Read with Friends” program was on the front page of the *Observer-Reporter*: <https://t.co/0efDI06pSi?amp=1>

## IXL (Grades 3-5)



Did you know that students have answered over 314,000 questions this year? IXL is assisting students in making growth and progress while providing our teachers with important information about how to personalize learning for each student. In addition to using this as a tool in our classrooms, it is available for students to use at home. Simply login at <https://www.ixl.com/signin/trinityasd>.

## TWITTER/FACEBOOK

For all the latest updates, please follow us on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/tnetrinitypride](http://www.facebook.com/tnetrinitypride)) and Twitter ([www.twitter.com/tnetrinitypride](http://www.twitter.com/tnetrinitypride)).

## UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST

- January 6 & 10—Dental Screenings
- December 13—PFC Meeting (6 PM @ Cafeteria)
- January 17—2-hour Early Release (Staff Development)
- January 20—NO SCHOOL (MLK Day)
- January 24—End of 2<sup>nd</sup> Nine Weeks/First Semester
- January 29—Report Cards Distributed
- Weekly on Mondays—After School Orchestra
- Weekly on Tuesdays—After School Band
- Weekly on Wednesdays—After School Chorus

As always, should you have any questions, please feel free to reach out. Thank you for your ongoing support of your child’s education at Trinity North!

Sincerely,

Eric J. Lauver  
*Principal*