Good afternoon Hornet Families,

Wes Moore, born on October 15, 1978, is the 63rd governor of Maryland and the first Black governor in the state's 246-year history. He is currently the only Black governor in office and just the third African American elected governor in U.S. history. Before entering politics, Moore had a diverse career as a businessman, author, and veteran. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Johns Hopkins University and became the university's first Black Rhodes Scholar. Moore's accomplishments include serving as an Army captain, leading a nonprofit organization, and authoring books. As governor, he has focused on issues such as public safety, poverty reduction, and increasing the minimum wage. Moore's election and inauguration in 2023 marked a significant milestone in Maryland's and the nation's political landscape.

The Black History Spirit Week will be this week, beginning with 90s Day on Monday! Students are welcomed to dress in 90s gear inspired by Black Culture. Please see ParentSquare for day designations for the remainder of the week.

Spring sports tryouts will continue this week until 5:30 each day. If interested, be sure your child has at least a 2.0 GPA (Cs and better), has a current physical, and has all the info uploaded in Dragonfly.

Today, we celebrate the Euna Perez and Davismar Garcia Pestana for achieving the goals of 2 lessons per week and a minimum of 40 minutes each, in both reading and math iReady! This is great work from these two students, especially with the snow days last week. We also acknowledge Brenda Cruz and Demanii Strong for having the most lessons passed for the week in 6th grade math and ELA, Euna Perez and Davismar Garcia Pestana for having the most lessons passed for the week in 7th grade math and ELA, and Brenda Ruiz-Cifuentes, Tristen Clair-Lewis, Emanual Osorio Palma, Jimena Celis Ponciano, and Lin Maingun Rei for having the most lessons passed for the week in 8th grade math and ELA! Shout outs to these students for keeping their foot on the gas with iReady lessons.

Wednesday is an Early Release Day and our Hornets will dismiss at 12:30 on their regular mode of transportation. This is a great time to get caught up on missing assignments, study, and build up your iReady lessons/minutes for the week. Progress Reports are coming next week!

Our February SIT meeting will be held this Monday, February 24 @ 3:45 in the school media center. All families are invited to attend.

We appreciate your continued support of Albemarle Road Middle School and we look forward to GLOWing UP by growing, leading, optimizing, and winning academically and socially each and every day!

Have a wonderful Sunday!