

December 16 – December 20, 2024

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Marlin Strong: Every student, every day, whatever it takes!

As 2024 draws to a close, many of us will reflect on the year that was. As an educator, I am reminded that we are all complete and incomplete at the same time, finding ourselves in the right place. “You are in the right place” encourage us to continue to learn, stay curious, show up, love the process and finish strong.

What does it mean to be complete and incomplete at the same time? It means you are enough as you are. It is no mistake that you are this person, in this place, at this time.

You are enough when you are dressed up and beautiful, when you are smart and funny, and when you are helping others with big and small things. You are enough even when you are broken, anxious, overwhelmed, and messy. Being you is all you need to be. “You are enough” is not a title or something earned through judgement; you do not need to achieve it.

“You are enough” means you are complete and incomplete. You can grow and change, continuing to become, because you aren’t trying to prove yourself; you’re just trying to be yourself. “You are enough” means that you don’t have to strive to become more worthy, more valid, more acceptable, or more loved; you already are all of those things.

There may be things you want to be more of: more open, more honest, more true, more authentic, more free, more connected, more intentional, more purposeful. These qualities are already inside you; they are not about changing yourself but about being yourself - your best self.

You were enough yesterday, you are complete today, and you will continue to be complete as you become more of who you were made to be in the future. Believing this requires courage.

At McNair, we “Champion students and their learning.”

Marlin Year-End Extravaganza hosted by Student Council

Student Council will provide a pancake breakfast on Friday, December 20, 2024 @8:30am in the Large Gym. All Students are welcome and there is no charge for the pancakes and treats prepared by students and staff. Please join the fun! There will be games, cookie decorating, and prizes. Happy Holidays!

Spirit Week – December 16th to 20th

There is an exciting week ahead at McNair Secondary School, will be Spirit Week organized by Student Council. We encourage everyone to dig through their closets and come up with something to wear for spirit week. Demonstrate your school spirit and help build the positive atmosphere that will lead to, not only a happier school, but also a more productive learning environment.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Dec 23 Winter Break
- Jan 6 First Day of Classes after Break
- Jan 6 Staff Meeting (after school)
- Jan 8 Collaboration Day (Classes begin at 9:55am)
- Jan 9 SBT Meeting (at lunch)
- Jan 15 Ed Fac Meeting (at lunch)
- Jan 16 Grad Assessment – Literacy 10
- Jan 19 Grad Photos by Appointment (January 19 to 24)
- Jan 20 SCC Meeting (at Lunch)
- Jan 22 Mini School Meeting (at Lunch)
- Jan 23 Last Day of Semester 1 Classes
- Jan 23 Suggested Marks Cut-off Semester 1 Classes
- Jan 24 Pro-D Day (School closed to students)
- Jan 27 Learning Completion Day (No Classes)
- Jan 28 First Day of Semester 2 Classes
- Jan 31 Semester 1 Final Summary of Learning Due

Students with Emerging or Insufficient Evidence

Final evaluations of student learning for Semester 1 will occur in late January 2025. On December 18, 2024, a small number of our students will receive an “**Learning Completion Plan**” because they are not yet meeting expectation in their courses and are at risk of not completing the Learning Standards by the end of the semester. These plans will detail the learning that must be demonstrated to successfully meet the Learning Standards for the course and thus successfully complete it. These reports will be emailed home on December 18th with the expectation that students will engage in the necessary steps to improve their standing.

Staff: Helping a Student Who Is Struggling Academically:

1. Get the student’s parents involved early. Call home if a student is not succeeding and make another call home when the student shows improvement. *Challenge: send a personal email home for each struggling student.*
 2. Try to meet “one on one” with each student who is struggling in your class to develop a learning plan.
 3. Provide opportunities for students to self-reflect on their experiences in class. Ask them, “What can they do to improve?”
 4. Ask both students and parents how you can help.
 5. Look for underlying problems (such as learning gaps or misunderstandings) in the student’s learning.
- Follow up with other teachers, counsellors, and administrators to gain a better understanding of each struggling student.

Candy Cane Cuties

Stuco is selling candy canes for \$1 to celebrate the holidays. Students may purchase a candy cane and include a personalized message for their friends and / or teachers. The last day to purchase is December 17th. The Candy Canes will be distributed on December 19th.