

Dickinson Digest



What's up at
**Dickinson
High School**
for the week of
January 20, 2009

Special Announcement:

Staff please welcome Mr. Robert Lum to Dickinson. He is serving as our new Student Interventionist. Stop by the ISS room by the Wellness Center and say hello.

The Week Ahead:

- Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday – No School – January 19
- RAP (online discipline referral system) training on January 21 – immediately after school. The training will last only about 15 minutes. Paper referrals will not be accepted beginning January 26.
- Everyone should have received their Component IV form from me – It is due to your evaluating administrator on or before January 31. The form can be amended with additional activities that occur after that date.

Farther Out:

- McPrincipal night at Midway Shopping Center McDonald's is January 26 at 4:30
- RCEA liaison meeting is January 22
- Winter Ball will be February 27 – More details to follow...

News:

- **Closed Personal Days are January 20, 28 and February 13, 14, 25 and April 9.**
- Please take a minute to participate in the online survey being conducted by our school board. The survey will provide them valuable information as they undertake the search for a new Superintendent.
You can access the survey at <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB228NPTFL8WJ>

TYB:

Thanks to Mr. Bingham, Ms. Cicconi, Ms. Mercer Gore, and Ms. Moore for volunteering to be part of the targeted mentoring program. Staff, if you're interested, see one of these teachers or Mr. Kohan or Mr. Murphy for more details.

Thanks to Kathy Sheehy for all of her work on PIP

Bravo to Mr. Cini, Mr. Skrovanek, Mr. Alderman, and Detective Cochran for your consistent presence at lunch and in the halls.

Quotes of the Week: Happy Martin Luther King Jr. holiday to you all. Those of you that have studied history aside... If you've ever searched for a great quote from Martin Luther King you know that profound ideas fell from his lips and pen by the dozens. Here are just a couple...

"In the end, we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends."

"It may be true that the law cannot make a man love me, but it can stop him from lynching me, and I think that's pretty important."

"I submit that an individual who breaks a law that conscience tells him is unjust, and who willingly accepts the penalty of imprisonment in order to arouse the conscience of the community over its injustice, is in reality expressing the highest respect for the law."

And one other that caught my attention this week...

"Great things are not accomplished by those who yield to trends and fads and popular opinion." Jack Kerouac

Check It Out: An introduction to the work of Jonathan Kozol

<http://www.mindfully.org/Reform/2005/American-Apartheid-Education1sep05.htm>

Remember: It's About Choices...