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Dear Parents, Guardians, Staff, Students, and Community Members,

In honor of Martin Luther King Jr., I thought I would take a few minutes to share my thoughts. As a school district and the community, we have been faced with many challenges. We could have let those challenges derail our progress, but instead we saw them as opportunities. With strength, determination, and perseverance we continue to show up and do the work—showing exactly what it means to do things the ‘WACO way’.

Martin Luther King Jr. once said, “If you can't fly then run, if you can't run then walk, if you can't walk then crawl, but whatever you do you have to keep moving forward”. This is what we have been doing as a school district and community. We push forward to improve and evolve. I am so proud of our students, staff, and the community. We honor Martin Luther King Jr. by living his words each and every day.

Monday is set aside to officially commemorate his accomplishments and his work, but his legacy lives on in the work that we do each and every day. I encourage everyone to take a moment to reflect on the accomplishments that have been achieved throughout the last three years. You have continued to move forward despite the difficulties. This is something to be celebrated!

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. reminds us that we may face disappointments but we must never lose hope. This is an important lesson to remember. There will always be challenges! It is how we approach those challenges that will define us. Remember, we are *Stronger Together!*

Thank you,

  
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