

Superintendent's Message January 7th, 2009

On this first week back from the holiday break, I wanted to wish you a Happy New Year! I hope this New Year brings a promise of hope, joy and renewal to you in the pivotal role you play with our children. As I reflect back on all that we have achieved during the 2008 year, I was reminded of the tremendous gains we have made in our quest to help each student become all they are capable of being. I am also reminded of the tremendous dedication all members of our school community give every day to help each of our students achieve at levels they didn't even think possible. A quote from John C. Maxwell comes to mind:

“To achieve the possible we must attempt the impossible. To be all that we can be, we must dream of being more. To reach our dreams, we must reach out to others.”

The winter break was a welcome time to spend with family and friends, and now it is time to focus on the quality learning opportunities we have for the next several months. As we enter into the second trimester's grading period, it is a good time to think about setting goals for the rest of the school year. Now would be a great time to review homework routines, to double check school supplies, and make sure the book bag is prepared for the winter months. Attendance is very important, and so is reviewing your household habits for staying in good health during the cold and flu months. Daily exercise and adequate rest are important elements to keeping healthy, as well as enjoying nutritious meals.

As your superintendent, I want to assure you that I will continue to work hard to fully support each and every staff member as they blaze new academic trails into the future. With warm appreciation, I wish you a joyous Holiday Season and a healthy and Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Glen Ishiwata
Superintendent, Moreland School District