**1.16.2022**

**Greetings Sherman Families and Community:**

**DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY – no school** **Monday, Jan 17**
Monday, Jan. 17, all schools and district offices will be closed for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Find current calendar information and printable calendars on our [website](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/CkYhJtYkymSdX8-sStF7PA~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRjxeU2P0QsaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cudGFjb21hc2Nob29scy5vcmcvYWJvdXQvY2FsZW5kYXJXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmHftrHkYQcLMxJSGHNwYXNrZXRAdGFjb21hLmsxMi53YS51c1gEAAAAAQ~~).

**In Honor of Dr. King The City of Tacoma presents**["Hope and Healing"](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/zWTFNCQ7B1heqQcFH3FR0g~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRjxeU2P0QyaHR0cHM6Ly9jaXR5b2Z0YWNvbWEub3JnL2Ntcy9vbmUuYXNweD9wYWdlSWQ9NDAwNTdXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmHftrHkYQcLMxJSGHNwYXNrZXRAdGFjb21hLmsxMi53YS51c1gEAAAAAQ~~)  [Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/zWTFNCQ7B1heqQcFH3FR0g~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRjxeU2P0QyaHR0cHM6Ly9jaXR5b2Z0YWNvbWEub3JnL2Ntcy9vbmUuYXNweD9wYWdlSWQ9NDAwNTdXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmHftrHkYQcLMxJSGHNwYXNrZXRAdGFjb21hLmsxMi53YS51c1gEAAAAAQ~~)   January 17, 2022  - 8:00 pm.  The program will highlight the present and the future of Dr. King's impacts on our community and will feature local performers and speakers who work and volunteer to ensure our community represents equity, hope, and healing.

TV Tacoma will premiere the program on Monday, January 17, 2022, at 8:00 pm. The program can be viewed online and streamed live on Facebook.

**KINDER OPEN HOUSE:** Do you have a child or know someone who has a child beginning kindergarten next fall?  Sherman will host a virtual Kindergarten Information Night next Monday, January 24th @ 6:00 PM.  Please see the [attached flyer](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/ePmpo2DbcWmGfRq8zOWcfg~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRjxeU2P0R1aHR0cHM6Ly9tc2cuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNvbS9tLz9zPVpvOHh5WlBRaFowJm1hbD0wZmUxOTU2YTc4MWFhZjQ2OTA0ODljMDc1MWY0MDI2MjgwYjI4M2I4NzI3MDk4M2M4OTExMWY5ZmZhYTJkMmU2VwdzY2hvb2xtQgph37ax5GEHCzMSUhhzcGFza2V0QHRhY29tYS5rMTIud2EudXNYBAAAAAE~)  for full details and links.  You can also use this link to access the meeting:

**MS TEAMS: Join on your computer or mobile app** [Click here to join the meeting](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/rBxNWZJWB651NMl7m9BjEA~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRjxeU2P0TzaHR0cHM6Ly90ZWFtcy5taWNyb3NvZnQuY29tL2wvbWVldHVwLWpvaW4vMTklM2FtZWV0aW5nX01qTTBNRGczTVRJdE5EUmlaaTAwWkRkaExUbGlOamt0WVRNMU4yTm1OVEZqTkRWbCU0MHRocmVhZC52Mi8wP2NvbnRleHQ9JTdiJTIyVGlkJTIyJTNhJTIyNzdhMWIzODgtNWFjZi00OTJiLWJmNDItNjRjYmIwODdkMDRjJTIyJTJjJTIyT2lkJTIyJTNhJTIyOTc1OGE0MTUtNDkxMy00MzA3LTkwYWItZGE4OTJlMTc2YjdkJTIyJTdkVwdzY2hvb2xtQgph37ax5GEHCzMSUhhzcGFza2V0QHRhY29tYS5rMTIud2EudXNYBAAAAAE~)

**Or call in (audio only)** +1 323-457-5029,,308424661#   Phone Conference ID: 308 424 661#

**HELP THE HOMELESS:** Tuesday and Wednesday this week are the final 2 days to bring in your donations for Madison’s 5th grade passion project!

Part of our 5th grade PBL in the fall was to work on a project that each student is passionate about.  For one 5th grader Madison in Mrs. Boyd's classroom her passion project is to help the homeless.  Through January 19th, Madison will be collecting new or very gently used items to donate to the Next Chapter Homeless Shelter.  Items such as hats, gloves, blankets, scarves and clothing make great donations.  Madison and / or a classmate will be collecting these items before school each morning under the covered area on our playground.  She is looking forward to making a donation of these items on behalf of the Sherman Community!

A message from Madison:

Sherman Community

I would like to give you a huge thanks for supporting and helping my clothing drive. The Next Chapter homeless shelter will be thrilled and thankful! And most of all I am beyond happy that we will be helping all the families that could use some help and that you helped my Passion project be a success! Also, if you have clothes that are too small or stuff you don't like there is still till Wednesday the 19th to donate.

Yours Truly,

Madison Fortescue

**VACCINATION OPPORTUNITIES:**
Tacoma Public Schools invites our students (5+), their families, and school staff and their families, to get a free COVID-19 vaccine or booster shot at upcoming clinics at a TPS site.

Boosters are for those 12 and older. No appointment is required.

[Get locations and dates](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/X_qcIIkz93-C_Z4VDIXjyg~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRjxeU2P0RKaHR0cDovL3d3dy50YWNvbWFzY2hvb2xzLm9yZy9kZXBhcnRtZW50cy9oZWFsdGgvY292aWQtMTkvdHBzLXZhY2NpbmUtZXZlbnRXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmHftrHkYQcLMxJSGHNwYXNrZXRAdGFjb21hLmsxMi53YS51c1gEAAAAAQ~~)

**Changes to K-12 isolation and quarantine guidance**
The state Department of Health and the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department recently recommended changes to COVID-19 guidelines, including reducing the number of isolation and quarantine days.

[Get more information](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/36RH6JO7GMrKKoQetRmygg~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRjxeU2P0ShaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cudGFjb21hc2Nob29scy5vcmcvYWJvdXQvbmV3c3Jvb20vc3RvcnktZGV0YWlsL35ib2FyZC8yMDIxLTIwMjItc2Nob29sLXllYXIvcG9zdC9jaGFuZ2VzLXRvLWstMTItaXNvbGF0aW9uLWFuZC1xdWFyYW50aW5lLWd1aWRhbmNlLXJlbGF0ZWQtdG8tY292aWQtMTlXB3NjaG9vbG1CCmHftrHkYQcLMxJSGHNwYXNrZXRAdGFjb21hLmsxMi53YS51c1gEAAAAAQ~~)

**Help TPS support student success**
How can we best support your student's academic success? TPS is working to strengthen partnerships between schools and families in order to help children perform better in school.

Please consider participating in the short survey below. Your interests will help guide the district's family engagement activities.

[Complete the survey](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/TKqNFFcgRnfJ9HE-kMmTng~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRjxeU2P0SEaHR0cHM6Ly9mb3Jtcy5vZmZpY2UuY29tL3BhZ2VzL3Jlc3BvbnNlcGFnZS5hc3B4P2lkPWlMT2hkODlhSzBtX1FtVExzSWZRVEttU2RCZzNsU0ZFdmxnQ1hiSjEyMjlVTkRrMldrTllNak5HV0RORFExZ3pSRk5KVnpWTVNGaENUeTR1VwdzY2hvb2xtQgph37ax5GEHCzMSUhhzcGFza2V0QHRhY29tYS5rMTIud2EudXNYBAAAAAE~)

**Students can create their own Rainiers’ jersey design**
Tacoma Public Schools is teaming up with the Tacoma Rainiers to host a jersey design contest for students in grades 3 to 8. The Rainiers ask students to submit unique jersey designs to show what they love about Tacoma. Designers should use the [Rainiers’ jersey template](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/gMGiV1hDbWN3t8QG-suS5Q~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRjxeU2P0RbaHR0cHM6Ly93d3cudGFjb21hc2Nob29scy5vcmcvZnMvcmVzb3VyY2UtbWFuYWdlci92aWV3L2QzMzAzZmM3LTdlZDMtNGEyZi05OTMyLTQ3ZjUyNDAxNzJlMVcHc2Nob29sbUIKYd-2seRhBwszElIYc3Bhc2tldEB0YWNvbWEuazEyLndhLnVzWAQAAAAB) and submit all contest entries by Feb. 1.  [Use this jersey template](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/m2wFzdWJGRwnZ1wQw5NTug~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRjxeU2P0R_aHR0cHM6Ly9yZXNvdXJjZXMuZmluYWxzaXRlLm5ldC9pbWFnZXMvdjE2NDE4NjA0OTUvdGFjb21hazEyd2F1cy95OHJxNnB3bWtpYmlvaGt1bGFkci8yMDIySmVyc2V5RGVzaWduQ29udGVzdF9CbGFua1RlbXBsYXRlLnBkZlcHc2Nob29sbUIKYd-2seRhBwszElIYc3Bhc2tldEB0YWNvbWEuazEyLndhLnVzWAQAAAAB)

Have a great week!

Sincerely,

Christian Jordan

Principal

Sherman STEAM Elementary