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Dear Faculty, Staff, Students, and Community Members,

Today we celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The timing of this day couldn't be more necessary or appropriate. In today's current circumstances, it is important to remember the teachings of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The past year has been a challenging time for many of us. We have all had to deal with everchanging circumstances and navigate uncharted waters. These days I find myself turning to the words of Dr. King. They are as relevant today as they were the first time they were spoken.


As I sit here this morning, I think about this quote: "Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that." During these difficult times let us be each other's light. During these divided times, let us love each other.

January is the time for New Year's Resolutions, and I am making a resolution to be a bringer of light. I am resolving to bring people together. I am so proud of all of us. During these difficult times Washington County continues to be an example to everyone. I am grateful to be part of this special community that is full of love and light!

To view a brief video with a few more quotes from Dr. King click here:

<https://www.washingtoncountyschoolsga.org/martin-luther-king-jr-video>

Thank you,



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