



# THE EAGLE GAZETTE



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## The Principal's Corner

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Hip, Hip Hooray!! We made it through the semester that never wanted to come to an end.

Hopefully your student(s) met the academic expectations you had in place for them this semester. If not, I would encourage you to partner with our teaching staff to develop a plan to make the appropriate changes for second semester. It is our expectation that students pass a minimum two quarters in each of their core academic classes (English, Math, Science, and Social Studies) in order to move on to the next grade level.

Get ahead in the third quarter by monitoring grades on Parent Portal. If you do not have your password, you can contact Ms. Allen or Ms. Jewell, at the front office for that information.

Wayman Academy celebrated students making tremendous mid year gains in reading and math. 270 out of 280 students showed gains in both subject areas.

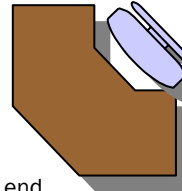
February, like the months before, promises to be a busy month filled with exciting learning opportunities especially for our third through fifth graders. They are getting prepared and are scheduled to take the first FSA Writes Assessments on February 29th. Parents please be mindful of sending your child(ren) to school on time every day. Every minute of instruction counts.

We look forward to the second half of our school year, and we again thank families for your ongoing support as we continue to provide students with the best instruction possible. I look forward to meet everyone on Thursday, February 18th for 'Black History Family Night'. In the meantime, think spring!

Yours Sincerely,

Simaran Bakshi

Principal



- 2/01– Report Cards go home
- 2/10– Early Release (12:45 p.m.)
- 2/14–Valentine's Day
- 2/15–President's Day (No School)
- 2/22–Black History Family Night (5:00-6:00 pm)
- 2/24–Early Release (12:45 p.m.)
- 2/29–Progress Reports (Go Home)



## Assistant Principal's Corner

You've probably heard the old saying, "practice makes perfect." Well, it really is true. That's one of the reasons teachers give homework. Homework provides the extra practice children need to remember what they've learned in school. It is important to make sure your child does his/her homework every day. You can help by encouraging him/her to focus when doing an assignment as well. If your child doesn't concentrate, they are more likely to forget what was learned. Remember, the more practice your child gets, the more confidence he/she will gain.



### Midyear progress report

When you review your child's report card, start by asking her/him how she/he feels about the different subjects. Examples:

"Which subject was your favorite this quarter?" "Which one was hardest?" "What are your i-Ready levels?" Then, talk about the grades she/he received. If one is lower than you expected, talk to her/his teacher — she can suggest ways your youngster could do better next quarter.