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Hello AMS Friends and Families,

We hope that this email finds you all well.

This has been a heavy week for everyone, and quite honestly, like you and many of our students, we are still processing, and wondering what will come next. Regardless of one's political leanings, what transpired in our nation's capitol brings forth a mix of emotions. Yet, we were still able to get up the next day, put on our proverbial "boots", and live our lives. Which, for us, is a testament to the resilience and fortitude of all Americans.

As an English teacher, I taught a journalism class for several years. I asked myself, how would I approach this with my students? It seems I have asked myself that question a lot lately. The answer is straightforward - stick to the facts and keep your emotions out of it. That is a bit easier with a group of high school students than with 7th and 8th graders in the process of still learning how government works. Also, when a situation is unfolding in real time, facts are sometimes difficult to discern.

So, for AMS, we made it as simple as we could: provide students with an opportunity to ask questions, explain concepts so they have a vocabulary to use when processing information, and support those who need additional social and emotional support. We will continue to do so as long as needed, just as we have with other events that have transpired.

Below is our new information for the week, it's a light one.

1. Tips and Tricks for Common Student Chromebook Issues
  - a. To avoid common issues with student accounts, please encourage your students to fully shut down their school devices each night. This will allow updates to go through in Google and reduce common glitches and issues. If your students are using personal devices, encourage them to check their Google Chrome settings to make sure their browsers are up to date and that they have their school account fully synced.
2. Principal's Advisory Council

As always, if we can be of any assistance, please reach out at any time.

Stay well,

*Dave & Kristina*  
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**Schedule for the week:**

11- A Day	12- B Day	13- B Day	14 - A Day	15- No School Professional Development
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**New Item:**

**Principal's Advisory Council:** Our next Principal's Advisory Council meeting for students to chat with us is on Tuesday, 1/12, at 4pm. Students can join via the google meet link in the Principal's Advisory Council google classroom.