Greetings Downtown Families,

I hope that each of you are already relaxing and are about to embark on a wonderful weekend! As we approach another exciting week of teaching and learning at The Downtown Elementary, I wanted to provide you with the latest updates and announcements.

First, I would like to say **THANK YOU** for all your beautiful birthday wishes this past week. I had THE BEST birthday party ever, celebrating with our phenomenal teaching staff, amazing students, and their families! Your kindness is greatly appreciated!

## **Reminders for all in-person learners:**

\* Remain in the car during morning arrival.

- \* All in-person learners must be in uniform.
- \* All in-person learners must be picked up from school no later than 3:30 p.m.
- \* Please bring your SCS issued, charged device and charger to school every day.

## **Our Family Data Night is Quickly Approaching:**

We hope to see you at our **Family Data Night this Thursday, April 21st, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** During this informative session, we will be discussing pertinent details regarding the upcoming TN Ready Assessment. We hope to see you there! **Please see the link below to join our general, school-wide session.** After school-wide announcements, parents and teachers will be break into grade level presentations. We will send grade level links soon. Your child's teacher will also provide the information.

School Wide General Session: Microsoft Teams meeting Join on your computer or mobile app <u>Click here to join the meeting</u> Or call in (audio only) +1 901-602-6178,,606119203# United States, Memphis

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## **TN READY Testing Dates & Information**

The state of Tennessee has made it clear that we will take the TN Ready and End of Course Assessments **IN PERSON** this year. Our governor and state representatives have put a new law

in place that will have consequences for schools and districts that do not meet 80% of students taking the assessments. This year, TN Ready participation matters. Our desire is to stay in good standing with the state and be funded properly. **Our goal is 90% for TN Ready participation. We will take EVERY AND ALL safety measures to ensure your child is safe.** Please see grade level testing dates below. We will provide more information during Thursday's Family Data Night.

## May 3,4,5- 3rd Grade May 6,10,11- 4th Grade May 7,12,13- 5th Grade May 17,18,19- 2nd Grade

Thank you for your time and attention. We hope you have a wonderful weekend!

Principal Williams 💙 💙