HAPPY NEW YEAR!!
The faculty and staff at A. Maceo Walker Middle School wishes each of you a safe, prosperous, and successful new year. As students return to school, we want to remind them about the importance of attending school on time each day. Additionally, we want to stress the importance of following school/classroom rules and completing assignments in a timely manner. When necessary, schedule a conference with your child’s teachers. Using your parent PowerSchool code will enable you to view his/her grades throughout the nine week grading period. If you need help with your PowerSchool login, please contact the main office.

POSITIVE PARENTING
Living in today’s fast-paced society often leaves parents wondering how to relate to and support their children. Many find themselves utilizing very few disciplinary techniques before exerting physical consequences.

The national volunteer service organization, offered a list of alternative techniques to use when rearing and disciplining children. They encouraged parents to utilize the following strategies when teaching their children the appropriate ways to behave. Parents can:

- **Model**-exhibit the behavior you want to see and share your own experiences with your children
- **Establish Clear Consequences**-tell your child exactly what will happen if a rule is broken
- **Praise**-acknowledge when your child follows the rules
- **Confrontation**-ignoring the behavior does not fix the problem
- **Lead Family Discussions**-talk about what is going on with your children
- **Establish Logical Consequences**-let the punishment fit the crime
- **Implement the First/Then Rule**-inform your child that he/she must complete the task before moving on to something he/she would like to do.
- **Be Consistent**-stick to the rules you set
“"I have a dream that my four little children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character.”

Quote from the speech "I Have A Dream" held in front of the Lincoln Memorial as part of the "March on Washington" (August 28, 1963)

Academic Help in 2022
We would like to remind you of the tutoring services that are available at A. Maceo Walker. Tutoring is available in all subjects for grades 6 through 8. As you know, we are still in virtual learning and if you are interested in enrolling your child for tutoring, please ask your student’s teacher for the times and availability.