From: Superintendent

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Subject: Welcome back!

Dear Colleague,

A hearty "welcome back" and enthusiastic "hello" to 2013! I hope you concluded 2012 on happy note, and rested up for all that greets you in 2013.

I find that there is nothing quite like the time spent with loved ones, friends and neighbors and those special moments of joy and reflection the holiday season brings to energize me for what's ahead in the New Year – and beyond! Yet, after all the turkey, the chocolate, the travel, the "just released" movies, and the parades and games on television, I find it is exciting as well to be back in school!

January brings with it a host of engaging events for us, and several celebrations, including remembering Dr. King's lasting legacy and why his life and sacrifice mean so much to us. Tomorrow I'll send you a few notes on January events so you are in the know about them. On Friday I'll send you a note about a perception survey most of our district staff will receive next week.

In the meantime, I'm delighted you're back and am absolutely certain your students and their families share that sentiment. Thank you for what you'll contribute to making 2013 another great year. Happy New Year to you!

Warm regards, Gary