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December 3rd, 2014

Dear Students, Parents, Staff, and Community,

It is hard to believe that we are already at the end of the semester and heading very quickly into the winter holiday season. Our students and staff have been outstanding with their flexibility as we complete our major construction and renovation project. We will complete this yearlong building project this month! Thank you everyone for your flexibility, patience and understanding during this past year. We will host a ribbon cutting ceremony on February 6th at 12:00 p.m. on the east side of the high school campus. Please join us for refreshments, and tours of the new facilities.

I want to welcome aboard our newest addition to our school board. Dee Prock was selected through the school board's interview process to fill the vacancy left by former school board president Jon Kelly. She brings her positive attitude and community involvement to our team as a strong supporter of continued success for our students. Thank you, Dee, for stepping up to this challenging, important, volunteer position.

The Standards and Assessment Task Force is reaching out to everyone to hear your thoughts on this topic. Many of us are concerned with the amount of state level testing required. Instructional time and access to technology for our students are often sacrificed to accommodate and provide time for the new online state assessments. If you would like to voice your concerns, please email this task force at: 1202taskforcefeedback@gmail.com

If you have thoughts, concerns, or suggestions to improve our academic calendar, please email me at: scooper@dolores.k12.co.us Each winter we reassess the academic calendar and make adjustments as needed in preparation for the next school year.

The District Advisory and Accountability Committee (DAAC) invites you to participate in a discussion about school finance. This event will be on January 20th (please read the flyer on the backside of this letter for more information.

Thanks for your continued support of our students!

Respectfully,

Scott Cooper, Ed.D.

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