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Dear MS 202 Community:

Please join us as we kick off our MS 202 Cultural Celebration Night! Each month, on the first Wednesday, we are asking everyone to take time out of their hectic lives to enjoy each other's company, while celebrating the many cultures represented at MS 202.

Below are suggestions and guidance on how families can be part of our Cultural Celebration Night!

- The first Wednesday (once per month) of each month students **will not have homework** to allow for the time to spend together.
- Share family pictures celebrating your culture, some ideas:
  - Pictures of traditional foods prepared and eaten in your home (i.e. meals, recipes, desserts from your native country or another)
  - Pictures of a family member playing an instrument particular to your country
  - A special dance relative to your region/country you could show in a picture
  - Family members wearing special attire for holidays or occasions
  - Pictures depicting special jewelry, makeup, or body paint.
  - Artwork, artifacts, sculptures found around your house reflecting your culture or religion
  - Pictures related to your religious holidays and celebrations
  - Pictures of special traditions you do for each holiday or family gathering
- All pictures are to be sent to [202family@ms202q.org](mailto:202family@ms202q.org)
- Upload one to three pictures per family
- Pictures will be shared on our website [www.ms202q.org](http://www.ms202q.org) and on the TV in the lobby

***\*\* To begin this new celebration of culture and community that makes up MS 202, we want to take advantage of the upcoming holidays and the time being spent with family and friends. Therefore, our first "Cultural Celebration Night" will actually begin this weekend for Thanksgiving and go through the first Wednesday, December 1st.***

For our first month of picture submissions, we are asking families to upload their pictures no later than Thursday, December 2nd in the morning. Moving forward, we will send out reminders to everyone. We thank you for your continued support for participating in this important school-wide project and coming together as a community to celebrate each other.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

Respectfully,

William M. Fitzgerald  
Principal, MS 202