MORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

February 10, 2020    Monday A Day

➢ Hey Western! Don’t forget to check out the Pulseras that the Spanish Honor Society is selling! You know, those colorful bracelets made by artists in Nicaragua and Guatemala? They will be sold every morning in the lobby from 7:00am-7:20am through February 14th. Bracelets are $5 and purses are $10. All proceeds go back to the artists who made them.

➢ Bonjour! The National French Honor Society will have a meeting this Wednesday, February 12th from 2:15pm to 3:15pm in room 210. This is an important meeting and we will need all hands on deck. Please plan to attend.

➢ Attention seniors. That’s right class of 2020, listen carefully. SkillsUSA is selling carnations and this is the last week to order them and send them to your friends and all the other seniors before you graduate. We will be in the lobby tomorrow, Tuesday, at 10:30 and you can also buy carnations at lunch. Finish the new year in style send carnations to your friends.

➢ As a school, Western Tech donated 65 pounds of food — equivalent to 54 meals — to our neighbors in need through 23:59’s Generous January food drive with the Maryland Food Bank. Because of your efforts, we were able to make a difference in our community for families across the state. Thank you for participating!!

➢ Attention Western Tech: Send a carnation to your friends for Valentine’s Day. SkillsUSA is selling carnations for two dollars apiece. They will be delivered on Friday, February 14 to A1 classes. Order carnations any day at lunch. For an extra dollar the French honor Society will transcribe your note to French, so you could
be really cool and send a note in English and in French to your friends. Be sure to bring in money in order flowers at lunch.

➢ If you missed the track and field interest meeting, please see Ms. Higgins in mod 304 or Mr. Jet in mod 306 for important documents and dates.

➢ Attention AP Students: If you received a notice last week in reference to money owed for AP tests, please return your payment to Ms. Tavernia or Ms. Monahan in the School Counseling Office as soon as possible. You may pay with cash or a check, payable to Western Tech.

➢ There will be a Junior Dues Drive this week Monday, February 10th through Friday, February 14th in the front lobby before school and during all lunches. Dues must be paid in full to attend junior prom.

➢ Attention all athletes interested in playing a spring sport: Registration must be completed on FormReLeaf by February 27th and physicals are due to Mrs. Rowe by February 21st. Pick up a flyer in the office for more info!

➢ Senior Banners are on sale now. Order online by Valentine’s day to get the early bird price! Grab the flyer from the main office for ordering details or take a picture of the example hanging in the main lobby. Go to http://www.varsitygraphics.net/western-tech to order.

➢ In honor of Black History Month, today we celebrate Maya Angelou. Maya Angelou lived a life just as remarkable as the poetry and prose she crafted in her 86 years on this earth. And it was the documentation of Angelou’s life that resonated with her audience and earned her a myriad of accolades, including three Grammy awards, the Presidential Medal of Freedom, and a host of honorary degrees. Stop by the bulletin board outside of the library to learn more.

➢ In honor of Black History Month, we will start each week with a recommendation to add to your reading list. Stop by the library today to check out this and other featured titles. Today’s featured Black History Month selection is...

   The Hate U Give by Angie Thomas.

   Sixteen-year-old Starr Carter moves between two worlds: the poor neighborhood where she lives and the fancy suburban prep school she attends. The uneasy balance between these worlds is shattered when Starr witnesses the fatal shooting of her childhood best friend Khalil at the hands of a police officer. Khalil was unarmed. Soon afterward, his death is a national headline. Some are calling him a thug, maybe even a drug dealer and a gangbanger. Protesters are taking to the streets in Khalil’s name. Some cops and the local drug
lord try to intimidate Starr and her family. What everyone wants to know is: what really went down that night? And the only person alive who can answer that is Starr. But what Starr does—or does not—say could upend her community. It could also endanger her life. Already read or seen The Hate U Give? Try Thomas’ new novel On the Come Up.

**SAT Word of the Week**

**Foment** (pronounced: foh-ment) — a verb meaning “to stir up, or to rouse dissent”

“There is always some jerk on the internet who does nothing but FOMENT disagreement and strife—when you see that person, just block them.”