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December 5, 2013

Dear Parent,

Your child has been invited to participate in the *Good to Great* after-school enrichment program to prepare your child to meet or exceed standards on the 2013-2014 CRCT. The goal of the *Good to Great* program is to give our students additional practice in literacy, mathematics, science, and social studies to prepare them to exceed standards on the CRCT. The program will take place weekly on Mondays and Thursdays from 4:30-6:30p.m. from January 27, 2013 to March 31, 2014. Transportation **WILL** be provided. However, in order to participate in the program you **MUST** use school transportation with the exception of students in the Magnet program.

Students will have two core areas per day so they have received remediation in all 4 content areas each week. For example, students who have a rotation of literacy for 1 hour and social studies for 1 hour on Monday will have science for 1 hour and mathematics for 1 hour on Thursday. Our instructional focuses will include test taking skills such as eliminating distracters, reading strategies for informational passages, as well as content-specific domains and elements. The program will be open to all students. The meetings dates for the program are listed below.

January - 27, 30

February - 3, 6, 10, 13, 20, 24, 27

March - 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27, 31

Each teacher will have between 10-15 students in his/her after-school tutorial session for the duration of the program so that they can work to develop students' content knowledge, critical thinking skills, and test-taking preparation. All applications are due by December 17. We expect that all students give their best effort and behave accordingly with the expectations of Columbia Middle School. It is imperative that you ensure that your students attend all of the sessions. Students who miss more than 3 sessions of the enrichment program during its duration are missing vital practice and will be removed subsequently so that another student who can attend the sessions regularly can participate. We look forward to helping your child be successful on the CRCT.

PLEASE PRINT ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION CLEARLY AND SIGN AND DATE WHERE INDICATED. For additional information, please contact Dr. Keith A. Jones, Principal, or Dr. Joel Boyce, Assistant Principal at 678.875-0502.

Student Name:		Gender:	Grade:
Address:	Apt.#	City:	Zip:
*Phone: ()		* Alternate Phone: ()	

Parent Name (Print)

Parent Name (Signature)

Date