october NEWSLETTER

7th and 8th Grade

OCTOBER CBA INFORMATION

Field Trips (CBA's)

7th Grade: Every 1st Wednesday of the month with Mrs. Osta and Mrs. Barbara. This month we will be going to Explora.

8th Grade: Every 3rd Wednesday of the month with Ms. Cooper and Mrs. Payne. This month we will be going to the Soutside Wastewater Reclamation Plant and Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge.

*Please let us know if you would like to chaperone fieldtrips! **

REMINDERS

Homework

Students will have minimal homework this year. Assignments that are not completed in class will be assigned for homework. Check your child's agenda for nightly homework. Feel free to email at any time if you have questions.

Powerschool – Grades

We will be working diligently to enter grades in a timely manner into powerschool. Please feel free to reach out if you have questions regarding your child's grade.

ELA CLASS INFORMATION

ELA 7 Novel Unit – The Giver: We are reading The Giver as a class and working on skills such as plot analysis, characterization, sequencing, and inferencing. The classes will view the film version after reading and complete a compare/contrast analysis between the text and the film.

ELA 8 Novel Unit – The Outsiders: We are reading The Outsiders as a class and working on skills such as plot analysis, characterization, sequencing, and inferencing. The classes will view the film version after reading and complete a compare/contrast analysis between the text and the film.

**Both grades will move into narrative writing at the conclusion of their novel units.

MATH CLASS INFORMATION

Math 7 Unit 2 Rational Numbers: We will learn how to order and compare rational numbers (positive/negative numbers specifically fractions and decimals) by converting between fractions and decimals in relation to real world problems such as comparing batting averages, gain/oss, and elevation. We will learn how to add, subtract, multiply, and divide rational numbers in relation to real world problems such as balancing a bank account, and determining total profit/loss

Pre-Algebra 7/ Math 8 Unit 2 Transformations: We will learn how to transform polygons on a coordinate plane, verify the properties of these transformations and determine and describe congruency and similarity of figures in relation to real world problems such as area and perimeter and enlarging/reducing object sizes

Algebra 1 Unit 2 Solving Linear Inequalities: We will learn how to write and solve inequalities in order to determine possible solutions for real world situations involving temperature, weights, max profit/loss, and elevation.

GRADING POLICY

Students are allowed to turn in missing/late work up until the day of the unit test without penalty. As well, students are encouraged to resubmit work for improved credit in math and will be accepted up until the day of the unit test.

Important dates: October 6, 7, 10 – No school for Fall Break!