



A BI-WEEKLY NEWSLETTER TO KEEP ALL PARENTS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN THE KNOW  
LATE FEBRUARY 2019

**SOCIAL STUDIES - MS. WEST**

Hello Scholars,  
We had another amazing week! We had several great lessons this week celebrating Black History Month! We studied Muhammad Ali and how he paid the price for taking a stand. Upon your return from Winter break, we will continue to celebrate Black History Month through the Childrens March. The Children’s March tells the story of how the young people of Birmingham, Alabama, braved fire hoses and police dogs in 1963 and brought segregation to its knees. Their heroism displayed the ability that young people can be a catalysts for positive social change.

Ms. McCoy and I will be having three celebrations for our students in the upcoming weeks. We will be celebrating the “Most Improved Students”. Along with a “Do the Right Thing” celebration. Lastly, our Homework Party. All students who qualify will be notified in advance.

I hope everyone has a wonderful winter break. Each student will receive an assignment on Muhmmad Ali which should be completed and returned on February 25, 2019.



  
**DON'T FORGET**

- March - Launch of 7th Grade Math PIE parties, see pg 2
- 3/08 - Parent/Teacher conference day, no school for students
- 3/26 - ELA Cornerstone due

## ELA - MS. DeNEAL

For the next two weeks, students will continue to read their primary text, *The Call of the Wild*, while engaging in full extended constructed response essays. Students do receive homework quite often, and it is expected that they turn it in on time. This quarter I am working to provide quick and constructive feedback to help students further improve their writing skills and resiliency in writing. However, many students need to turn in their work on a consistent basis to receive this feedback! Please encourage your student to stay after school with me if they are struggling with any of the content, homework, or just need an extra push in the right direction. I will not be hosting office hours on Wednesday, February 27th. But, every Wednesday until April will be open. Remember, I stay from 3:30 - 4:30. However, I do reserve the last fifteen minutes to speak with parents. Please feel free to come up and chat!

## LIFE SCIENCE - MS. McCoy

Scholars continue to focus on the skeletal system and how it is organized. They will use Explore Learning Labs to determine how our bodies maintain a stable internal temperature despite variations in outside temperature. In addition, they will be able to explain why food and water are necessary for the body to function.

## MATH - MS. FLEMINGS

Students are solving and graphing inequalities. Students will learn how to apply the concepts of inequalities using real-world examples. Starting in March, I will be having a monthly PIE Party for all students who have completed one slice of their ALEKS pie chart. The goal is to encourage students to complete their ALEKS topic goal each week to review previous and current math skills.

### Math Reminders

1. Students must bring a pencil to math class.
2. Progress reports will go out bi-weekly to all 7th graders.
3. Math Office Hours will be held on Tuesday from 3:30-4:15pm.
4. Students must learn at least 10 topics on ALEKS each week.



On February 13th, the entire 7th grade went on a field trip to the Natural History Museum where students explored the impact of certain chemicals on organisms within the ocean and what it means for our oceans in the future. Color photos on page 1 are also from this trip.

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