

School-wide announcements:

- **AFMS Variety Show = Thursday, April 4th, in the auditorium. CHECK SCHOOL WEBSITE FOR TIME!**
- **Our 1st Annual BOOK FAIR is also going on this week!! Support our students and our PTSA by purchasing books at the Book Fair (in the Media Center)!**
- **Our PTSA is planning our first Chargers Game Night for May 31st. Duos of teachers have been asked to recruit donations and parent support to collect and put together items in to a themed basket.**

We are reaching out in need of support from one parent for each 6th grade homeroom teacher.

In a nutshell, here is how it will work:

- Gabbard/Rabb are a team--and Hipps/Figueroa are a team. We will each decide on a theme for our team baskets.
- Homeroom students for those teachers will be asked to bring in donations that coincide with the theme. (Ex: Candy Basket homeroom students will be asked to bring in large varieties of candy)
- As donations come in, homeroom teachers will either store them for our parent volunteers or send them home with the students of the parent volunteers (whatever your preference is). If homeroom teachers store them, parent volunteers will be asked to come to AFMS to put together the baskets. (You can be as creative as you like for your basket creation. Pinterest has a ton of ideas.)
- AFMS PTSA representatives will contact you with further information about due dates and logistics.

You will be put in touch with the other parent volunteer for the teacher duo so that you can coordinate with each other!

Ready to sign up to help? Please email Mrs. Rabb directly at erabb@wcpss.net and we will get you signed up! Thank you so much!

EOG Schedule: Please read carefully.

Wednesday, May 29

- * 6,7,8 – EOC Math 1**
- * 8 – EOG Math 8
- * 7 – EOG Math 7
- * 6 – EOG Reading 6*

Thursday, May 30

- * 8 – EOG Reading 8*
- * 7 – EOG Reading 7*
- * 6 – EOG Math 6

Friday, May 31

- * 8 – EOG Science 8
- * 7 – EOG Make Ups
- * 6 – EOG Make Ups

Monday, June 3

- * 8 – NCFE Social Studies 8
- * 7 – NCFE Science 7
- * 6 – EOG Make Ups

Tuesday, June 4

- * 8 – EOG/EOC Make Ups
- * 7 – NCFE Social Studies 7
- * 6 – NCFE Science 6

Wednesday, June 5

- * 8 – EOG/EOC Make Ups
- * 7 – EOG/EOC Make Ups
- * 6 – NCFE Social Studies 6

ELA/Language Arts with Mrs. Gabbard:

Welcome to April and the final quarter of the year! It is hard to believe we are already in Fourth Quarter. For this week, students are finishing and showing the FlipGrid videos they have made for the *Sustaining Our Oceans Project*. By Wednesday, students will be returning to the book *World without Fish* as the main focus and we will be researching heavily to construct a public service announcement/brochure. We are looking forward to the creative part of this venture! Also, students may visit the Book Fair during homeroom time and lunch. An online book fair is available as well. Happy reading! Mrs. Gabbard

Math 6 and Math 6+ with Mrs. Figueroa:

The advance class will be tested on Unit 2 of the 7th grade concepts this Thursday, April 4th. They will begin Unit 4 on Monday which will continue with proportional reasoning and move into percent. My regular math class started Unit 8, Statistics today. EOG 1 is due this Thursday and students will receive EOG 2 on Friday. It will be due the following Friday. The math EOG date is May 30th. All classes will begin EOG review on Monday May 6th. This is a time I will need all students to be 100% focus and complete all the require work. Congratulations to Core 1 and 2. They have kept the title of Big Dawg for another 4-5 weeks. Have a good week.

Science with Mr. Hipps:

The Final Frontier...Finally

We are now in space. We have begun our journey by looking at the myriad of good reasons why we should study space. Tuesday and Wednesday's focus will be upon clearing up misconceptions and reinforcing student understanding of the basic structures (celestial bodies) in our universe like comets, asteroids, meteors, stars, and planets. We will also deepen our understanding of gravity, orbits, and space exploration.

When we are learning about space, we do look at how the solar system and our galaxy were formed. This brings up origins and beginnings which make for great conversation. Although we do not spend much time on it, we do look at the Big Bang up. In my class, all points of view are respected:).

Key Concepts Space

1. The Earth, Moon and Sun interact in observable and predictable ways.
2. The Earth, Moon, and Sun interact to cause tides, seasons, moon phases, eclipses and night/day!
3. Because of water, gravity, atmosphere, minerals and proximity to the sun, the Earth can sustain life.
4. With the use of telescopes, manned spacecraft, and unmanned spacecraft, we can discover much about space.

Key Questions

1. Why are there predictable tides on our oceans?
2. If our earth did not have an axis tilt, what would be different about the Earth's climate?
3. Can you look up at the phase of the moon, and give the location of our sun?
4. What is the best technology to use to make new discoveries about space, telescopes, probes, rovers, and orbiters, or manned spacecraft?

**Science Rocks,
Mark Hipps**

Social Studies with Mrs. Rabb:

We are DEEP into the Middle Ages! Learning about the innovations from this period of time and understanding that these innovations made way for the Renaissance are important pieces of this puzzle. We will learn about feudalism and the Crusades this week before diving into the Magna Carta and its connection to America's Constitution. The plan for now is to spend a day or two investigating the origins of weird nursery rhymes (which comes from a conversation we had in class about the origins of Ring-Around-The-Rosie during the Black Death!

Current Event: April's Current Event will be structured through a form in Google Classroom. The expectations and rubric from previous months will still apply--kids will just type their Current Event into a Google Form instead of a Google Doc. It will be due Tuesday, April 30th

Compacted Math 6+ / 7+ with Mrs. Jones:

Upcoming Topics: This week we will review for our test on angle relationships, parallel lines and triangles. We will start Unit 11 on Probability. This is a short unit and will only have a quiz, no test. We will cover probability basics, sample spaces, experimental vs theoretical, independent and dependent and geometric probability.

Assessments:

Unit 10 Test (4/2)

Unit 11 Quiz (4/9)

Announcements:

Students received a packet of 5 lessons on Thursday 3/28, each having a due date, but can be worked on in any order or time frame as long as they are turned in via Google Classroom by midnight on the due date. Most student were able to get logged into Google Classroom and signed up during class on Thursday. Help and resources may be used to complete these assignments, but there will be no pre-checks available.

Students will be stamped for the following Tuesdays during SMART Block for additional instruction and review, 4/9, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, and 5/14.

SMART Block Schedule

Monday - Open

Tuesday - Open

Wednesday - Open

Thursday - Open

Compacted Math 6+ / 7+ with Hunter/Connell:

- **Upcoming Assessments:**
 - **None at this time. Exit tickets are given weekly to review over newly learned material.**
- **Topics Covered Next Week:**
 - We are beginning Eighth grade Unit 1: Rigid Transformations. This will be the beginning of your students eighth grade math journey. Please have students utilize online resources that go along with their workbooks for additional help.
 - **Students should be reviewing their Lesson Summaries in their Workbooks nightly.**
 - Check our websites below for in-class activities, resources, and updates.
- **FYI:**
 - Spirals are due EVERY other Monday, no spiral this week.

- Remember that students can access Illustrative Mathematics on Khan Academy for support and practice on all units.