



News from the Top Dawg!  
December 15, 2023

**Math:**

After winter break, we will begin Chapter 5, Systems of Linear Equations. We will take what we have learned about the slope-intercept form and learn how to solve for both variables using two equations. Please, please, take good notes and review them daily. Don't forget that I will periodically have pop quizzes to keep you on your toes using all the slope skills.

**ELA:**

We were unable to get to writing the argumentative letters this semester. I will save that unit for the spring.

We will begin our first novel, *Roll of Thunder Hear My Cry*, when we return from break. This is a classic novel that takes place in 1933 in the South. We will follow the Logan family as they try to overcome many obstacles that are presented to freed African Americans during this time period. The family is very fortunate to own land, but they struggle to keep the land and survive at the same time.

**Dawg Schedule:**

- 12-18 History Test
- 12-19 Winter Party 2:30 (gift exchange at 12:30)
- 12-19 States & Capital Test
- 12-19 End of 2nd Quarter, Grade Cards Go Home, Winter Break
- 12-20 thru 01-02 NO SCHOOL
- 01-03 School Resumes
- 01-12 AR Quiz-FIC DUE by 8:25
- 01-12 AR NON-FIC DUE BY 8:25
- 01-15 NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 01-22 Bookmobile
- 01-25 CHS Tour
- 02-05 Bookmobile
- 02-09 AR (2) NON-FIC DUE BY 8:25
- 02-09 Progress Reports Send Home
- 02-14 Valentine's Party 2:30
- 02-19 NO SCHOOL
- 02-29 Snow Creek Ski Field Trip
- 03-01 SHS Tour
- 03-04 Bookmobile
- 03-06 AR (2) NON-FIC DUE BY 8:25
- 03-08 End of 3rd Quarter, Early Out, PD Day
- 03-08 Grade Cards Send Home
- 03-11 LHS Tour
- 03-14 PI DAY!
- 03-18 Bookmobile
- 03-20 Culver's Night 5-8
- 03-25-29 NO SCHOOL-Spring Break
- 04-01 School Resumes
- 04-01 Bookmobile
- 04-11 AR (2) NON-FIC DUE BY 8:25
- 04-12 Progress Reports Send Home
- 04-15 Bookmobile
- 04-19 EO PD day.
- 04-22 - 5-3 MAP TESTING WINDOW

**American History:**

We will begin 2nd semester by sketching examples of Neoclassical architecture found within Washington, D.C. At this moment, I have planned 3 class periods and 1 weekend to work on your sketches. You will need to make time to work on these outside of class time! We will then dive right into Ch. 9 which is about Jefferson's presidency.

**Science:**

Students will continue in our unit on Light Waves. They will study the different effects that light has on matter and the different types of light, they will analyze evidence about melanin and UV light and will follow the path of light.

**EPIC CLASS CODE:  
wia9240**

**\*\*\* I will not be tutoring next week or the first week we come back from winter break. Plan on tutoring to resume on Tuesdays and Wednesdays the week of**

Jan. 8th.



Parents, Please Note:

12-19 Winter Party 2:30 (The gift exchange will take place at 12:30 to leave time for games at 2:30)

\*\*\*Remember that we need party supplies for 16 students!

Take home treats-Ms. Bailey

Party treats-Mrs. Arnold (Do we need cups?)

Cups/plates/napkins-Ms. Hall

Run party- Mrs. Arnold

High School Tours:

CHS-January 25th (10-11)

SHS-March 1st (9-10)

LHS-March 11th (9-10)

Students may bring juice/soda on Fridays if they have not had any lates, IA, or referrals to the office. They may enjoy these in my room after lunch.

Concerning homework:

"If you don't have time to do it right the first time, when do you have time to do it again?"

-John Wooden, Hall of Fame BB player/coach

- 05-06-05-10 EOC TESTING WINDOW
- 04-29 Bookmobile
- 05-03 Reading Circle Due
- 05-05 Possible EO PD day
- 05-06 Bookmobile
- 05-16 Possible Last Day
- 05-16 Grade Cards Send Home