7th Grade House Parent Newsletter

Grizzly Parents,

October is here! Starting the year with a positive attitude about school goes a long way toward a student’s success. Inspire your child to develop a winning outlook with these strategies.

**Look for positives**
Your 7th grader can find something interesting about every class. Suggest that they start a list of fun facts, one from each class every week. After a Science lesson on genetics, they may write, “I had a 50 percent chance of having blue eyes since Mom’s are brown and Dad’s are blue.” Encourage them to share his discoveries with you.

**Celebrate achievements**
Tell your teen to congratulate themselves on a job well done. Maybe they earned a higher score on this week’s vocabulary quiz than they did on last week’s or perhaps they picked a topic for their history paper, even though they were tempted to put it off getting started. Saying “I did it!” will make them feel good about themselves and motivated to keep working hard.

**Seek help!**
Successful students know how to get help when they face challenges. For example, your child could post a schedule of teachers’ tutorial sessions in their locker. Then if they are struggling, they can sign up for a session. Having a plan in place will help him stay upbeat.

If you have any concerns regarding your 7th grader, please make sure to schedule a conference with the respective teacher and/or your child’s assigned dean.

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**Important Dates:**

- **October 3rd** — 7th Grade Volleyball  WBMS vs Pershing 5:00 p.m.
- **October 7th** — WBMS Homecoming — Delmar Stadium 7:00 p.m.
- **October 11th** — WBMS Homecoming Dance  5:00 — 8:30 p.m.
- **October 14th** — 7th Grade Football  WBMS vs Meyerland 5:00 p.m.
- **October 18th** — Early Release at 1:10 p.m.

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**House Expectations**

- Make sure that your child attends school every day. **Attendance matters!**
- **Detention has started!** Make sure that your child arrives to school on time and has their ID badges displayed every day! Instruction begins at 8:30 a.m.
- Make sure that your child is reading and writing every evening when they arrive home. Remember, Literacy is across all curriculums.
- Parents monitor your child’s grades and attendance every day! This can be done in Parent Connect - [www.houstonisd.org/ps c](http://www.houstonisd.org/ps c)