

BCMA Instructional Agenda

November 9, 2015



Important Dates in November

November 11th

Faculty Staff Meeting (No After-School Activities)

November 13th

Report Cards

November 7th and 14th

Saturday School / Detention

November 4th & 20th

Nov 4th Honor Roll Assembly 6th Grade: Cycle 1
Nov 20th Honor Roll Assembly 6th Grade: Cycle 2

November 19th & 20th

Picture Day: Students Must be in Uniform
Picture Order Forms Located in the Main Office

Dress Code

Monday - Thursday

- Gray Polo Shirt w/BCMA Logo (Tucked Into) Khaki Pants or Knee Length Skirt w/Belt
- Gray BCMA Sweater or Solid Gray Sweater
- BCMA I.D. Badge worn on Neck (All Times)

Friday

- Solid Blue Jeans (No Cuts, Holes or Tears) with BCMA Spirit Shirt or College Shirt

Physical Education Uniform Announcement

Part of the PE uniforms have arrived! If your student purchased a uniform during the summer or the first few weeks of school they will receive their uniform T-Shirts this week.

Please allow the PE Department until Friday Nov. 13 for all t-shirts to be distributed.

Due to a delay the uniform shorts have not arrived, once we receive them they will be distributed to your student. If your student had PE this semester please note that they will be using the same uniform for any active elective or afterschool club (dance, gymnastics, or fitness) or for their 7th grade PE class next year. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me via email kstrong@houstonisd.org.

Save the Date: Picture Day

Thursday, November 19th & Friday, November 20th
All Students Must be in School Uniform

HUB Access / Online Textbook Access

If you are having difficulty accessing the HUB from home, the issue may not begin there. If a student has not accessed the HUB, using the info below at an HISD CPU or Laptop, they will be denied access at home.

Username: Student\S##### (# is Student ID #)
Password: Student's DOB (May 1, 2001 is 05012001)

If this is the case, you will need to contact me, Mr. Turner, to resolve this issue, as I am the FAST PASS contact for BCMA in charge of resetting student passwords.

Textbook Access / Digital Resources Update

ELA / Math

Teachers have been given instructions to distribute student Username and Password. Link is accessible via the HUB, but student must have Username and Password from Teacher.

Social Studies

Active Classroom, a Digital Resources, is available in the HUB and serves as the primary resource.

Science

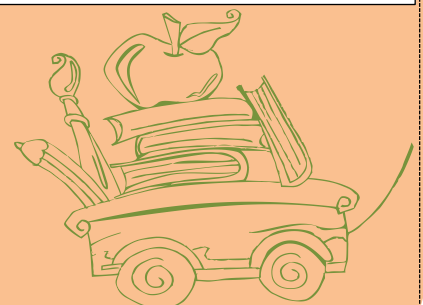
Students in Science have been given a Science Consumable Textbook and have access to the same text via the HUB.

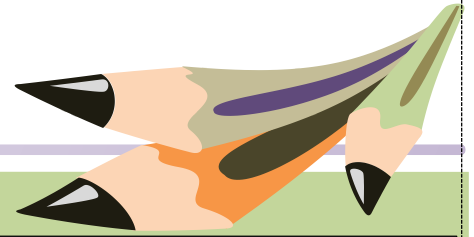
Algebra I / Geometry

Students have a similar situation as with ELA/Math, in which a link is accessible via the HUB, but student must have Username and Password from Teacher.

\$10.00 Oxford Sadlier Vocabulary Book,
from the General School Supply List have arrived

Please bring \$10 to purchase your copy ASAP





Mr. Lee's and Mr. Giasson's Agenda - 6th Grade ELA Week of November 9th to 13th (Subject to Change)

Monday, November 9th (Burgundy)

- "Just Do It" Group Project Presentations
- Go Over Most-Missed Test Questions
- Raffles / Shout-Out's!
- **HW: "JUST DO IT" GROUP PROJECT SELF-REFLECTION**

Tuesday, November 10th (Blue) &

Wednesday, November 11th (Burgundy)

- Unit 3 Overview – Fiction Writing
- Analyze Fiction Stories
- Begin "Show Don't Tell" Display
- **HW: FINISH DRAFTING "SHOW DON'T TELL" DISPLAY ON HANDOUT**

Thursday, November 12th (Blue) &

Friday, November 13th (Burgundy)

- Continue Analyzing Fiction Stories
- Mini-Lesson: Active vs. Passive Voice
- White Board Practice – Active vs. Passive Voice
- **HW: PUBLISH AND COLOR "SHOW DON'T TELL" DISPLAY**

This Week in ELA-Reading with Hayner, Walker & Martinez

This Week in 6th Grade Reading: Test

- *The House on Mango Street* Test from "Chanclas" to "Born Bad."

This Week in 6th Grade Reading: Instructional Focus

- Focus on similarities and differences in the setting, characters and plot of a play and those in a film based upon the same story line, and summarize the elements of plot development, while reading Mark Twain's *The Prince and the Pauper*.

This Week in Phy Ed w/Coach Strong & Johnson

BCMA physical education uniforms will be sold to students during their PE class. If your student does not have Mrs. Strong they may purchase their uniform in the morning before school, located in the gym, with Coach Johnson.

Students are required to wear the BCMA's PE Uniform daily. If your child has he/she uniform from a previous school year they may wear the same one.

Uniform Cost: FULL SET (SM-LRG) \$20 (XL-XXL) \$30 Individual pieces \$10 each

This Week in the World of Science with Mrs. Gary and Ms. Zhang

Monday/Tuesday: Students will review/reinforce comparing and contrasting potential and kinetic energy and explore the concept using everyday life situations. Students will also be introduced to differentiating between different forms of energy transformations.

Wednesday/Thursday/Friday: Students will conclude activities and lessons on demonstrating energy transformations such as the energy in a flashlight battery changes from chemical energy to electrical energy to light energy. The learners will also be introduced to investigating thermal energy movement and methods of thermal energy transfer including conduction, convection and radiation.

*****HOMEWORK TO COME*****

Day given and Due Date Dependent on Material Covered

Mrs. Gary's 6th Grade Class

- **Continue to work on your 3-D Layers of the Earth model project that was assigned on November 3rd (A-Day) or 4th (B-Day).**
- **Due Date and Rubric was included on instruction sheet.**

Parents: Please note that in Science classes, students engage in hands-on, group labs that require attendance in the actual classroom. Homework is based upon the progress of the labs and activities during that time and changes week to week due to our schedule of A and B days. Also, the agenda is just an estimate of things to come based on the schedule and student's academic needs. Please remind student to bring supplies to class daily for maximum success.



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This Week in the Math Labs w/Bonno & Taplett

Math Lab: Students will continue to enrich and strengthen their math skill with Think Through Math.

Please remember that quiz and test grades come from lessons **passed** not completed.

Grading criteria is based on the program TTM. With exception of Journal all grades will be recorded weekly.

Classwork (30%): A minimum of 50 minutes per class is expected.

Homework (10%): 50 minutes a week (Mon-Sun) on “Think Through Math” Lessons separate from school time.

Quizzes (15%): Quiz average for the week (Mon-Sun) will come from the post quiz average at the end of each lesson.

Tests (20%): “On grade level” and “Below grade level” pass rate (2 separate grades) for the week (Mon-Sun).

Project (15%): The journal will be collected the Thursday/Friday of the 5th week and graded on the following criteria:

40 pts: Having a journal

5 pts per entry with a **date**, **title** and **work** shown, **NEATLY** & **ORDERLY** with **CORRECTIONS**.

This Week in Mathematics with Jaggi. Dabas & Elegarle

Monday & Tuesday

8.2 Ratios, Rates, Tables and Graphs

Wednesday & Thursday

8.3 Solving Problems with Proportions

Friday

8.4 Converting Measurements

This week in World Cultures with Palmitier & Scott

Monday – Physical Geography of Sub-Saharan Africa/class research for National History Day topic

Class Focus: Students will begin to Finalize Research Topic

Tuesday/Wednesday – Map skills of Sub-Saharan Africa, students will draw and label of a map of the region/class research for National History Day paper

Thursday/Friday – History of Sub-Saharan Africa/ Class research for National History Day

Homework for the entire week is to continue researching for the National Historic Day research paper at home.

This Week in Latin with Kirk

11/9 and 11/10

Finish CLC Stage 1 Test

Hercules Hero’s Journey Outline (A day only)

Minerva (Athena) and Vulcan (Hephaestus) Worksheet

➤ **Homework: Finish Minerva and Vulcan if necessary**

http://www.ancientgreece.co.uk/gods/explore/exp_set.html

11/11 and 11/12

Begin CLC Stage 2

Diana (Artemis) and Apollo Worksheet

Achilles/Trojan War (A day only)

11/13

CLC Stage2 (Classwork)

Achilles and Trojan War

Hero’s Journey Project

➤ **Homework: CLC Stage 2 Worksheet**



This Week in World Cultures with Tonry

Monday: Formulating a NHD research question

Tuesday/Wednesday: Continue to work on NHD research and complete a research paper outline

Homework: Paper outline

Thursday/Friday: Learn about the Arab Spring and the current wars in the Middle East. We will also map Asia.

Quiz: Asia Map Quiz on Thursday 11/19 or Friday 11/20

Map practice:

http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/Asian_Geography.htm

