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# MATTER OF PRINCIPAL:

Dear MLCPA School Community,

Thank you for your understanding, support, and trust as we work through the process of delivering distance learning. This is uncharted territory for all of us, so we must all exercise patience with each other moving forward. We have reformatted the ***Knightly News*** to share weekly updates from our administrative team and teachers. This format will streamline communication to you from us. Should you have questions or concerns regarding instruction you may contact our teachers or administrative team directly via email. Please continue to stay connected to us as we work to provide high quality instruction during this unprecedented time.

Thank you again and stay safe!

**Dr. Dameion Crook**

Proud Principal  
MLCPA

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## Magnet Info:

Transfers & Phase 1 & 2 Timelines have been extended to June 1st

**Mr Prince** | [JPrince@houstonisd.org](mailto:JPrince@houstonisd.org)

# Deans Corner:

## **Graduation:**

EOC testing requirements have been waived.

It is unclear what other requirements will be waived by the state or board.

Commencement will most likely be delayed to at least the end of the summer.

We will send updates once we have them.

## **SAT Testing:**

The SAT School Day administration will be moved from April 28, 2020 to October 14, 2020.

Current juniors will sit for it in October as seniors.

Students should sign up for the June or August SAT if they want to meet early action/decision deadlines for Fall of 2020.

## **AP Testing:**

Traditional face-to-face exam administrations will not take place.

Students will take a 45-minute online free-response exam at home.

For each AP subject, there will be 2 different testing dates.

The full exam schedule, specific free-response question types that will be on each AP Exam, and additional testing details will be available by April 3 on CollegeBoard.

## **Report Cards:**

The 5th cycle still ends on April 3rd, report cards will be sent out the following week.

## **6th & 7th Grade Content:**

6th grade parents, please utilize the following link for important information, updates, and upcoming assignments for your student(s). All core teachers contact information is provided. Please feel free to reach out via remind, text, or phone for questions, concerns, or additional assistance. As a team, we are here to help you in this new adventure of learning.

# Counselor's Corner

Week of 3/30/20

## Theme for the Week: Fostering an Online Learning Environment at Home

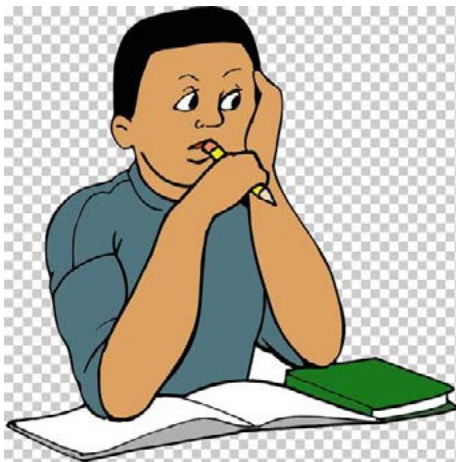
Greetings MLCPA Family!

For most of our students, this week will mark their first introduction into 100% online learning. This sudden shift can seem a bit overwhelming for both students and parents. So, the focus of this week's Counselor's Corner is on helping students adjust to online learning and creating a sense of routine for your student and for yourself in this world without dismissal bells.



### Tips for Students

- **Have a schedule and a plan.** Use a planner or calendar to create a visual reminder of when assignments are due. DO NOT simply rely on your memory. Keeping up with assignments for 8 different classes will become difficult.
- **Have a designated work space, if you can.** Try to find a room or space in your house that has the least amount of distractions.
- **Have designated work time.** You do not have to sit in front of the computer for 8 hours straight. Create time to sit in your space and complete your assignments and take "brain breaks" as needed.
- **Know your distractions!** Some people work best with music or some sort of background noise. Others need silence. Find what works best for you and eliminate what does not. (No Tik Tok dances!)
- **COMMUNICATE!** Your teachers know that this is new to you, so don't be afraid to ask questions. Teacher email information is everywhere (school website, Knightly News, social media, etc.) Everyone is here to help, but you have to tell us what you need.



### Tips for Parents

- **Help them create a plan.** Some students may not know how to use a planner or calendar because they have never had to before. Assist your child by purchasing or making a calendar and showing them how to keep track of assignments they must do and when they must be turned in.
- **Communicate** with your child's teachers if you or they are having trouble understanding an assignment.
- **Set aside time for learning.** Try to give your child a set time for working on assignments each day with minimal distractions if possible. It does not have to be a full 8 hours, but try not to assign chores or other duties during this time to minimize distractions.
- **Monitor their screen time.** If you notice your son is spending hours on his technology with minimal work to show for it, that may be a sign that you

need to monitor how he is using his time on the computer. Remember, distractions are only a click away and we cannot expect students to suddenly develop the discipline needed resist the urge to log onto online gaming and social media overnight.

Regards,

*Jysha Riley*

MLCPA Counselor

### Example of simple calendar style planner

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>
	<b><u>30</u></b>  <b><u>School Holiday</u></b>	<b><u>31</u></b>  Math XLs 3.1- due 4/5  Human Geo: Chapter 8.2 Notes- due 4/4	<b><u>April 1</u></b>  Hamlet Essay 1 <sup>st</sup> draft due – 4/5  Khan Academy Lesson 3.2 and 3.2- due 4/2	<b><u>2</u></b>  Khan Academy Lessons due today	<b><u>3</u></b>	<b><u>4</u></b>
<b><u>5</u></b>  Submit Math XL 3.1 for Mr. GC on HUB by 11:59	<b><u>6</u></b>	<b><u>7</u></b>	<b><u>8</u></b>	<b><u>9</u></b>	<b><u>10</u></b>	<b><u>11</u></b>
<b><u>12</u></b>	<b><u>13</u></b>	<b><u>14</u></b>	<b><u>15</u></b>	<b><u>16</u></b>	<b><u>17</u></b>  Test over Hamlet	<b><u>18</u></b>

### Sample Check List Style Assignment Tracker

<u>Class</u>	<u>Platform</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Weight (major, minor, test, etc.)</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Check when complete</u>
Human Geo	Google Classroom	Chapter 8.3 Notes	Minor/ 25%	4/4	
Algebra 1	Khan Academy	Lesson 3.2 and 3.3	Homework/ 10%	4/2	
English 1	HUB	Hamlet Essay 1 <sup>st</sup> draft	Major/ 50%	4/5	

**Both of these examples were created using Microsoft Word, but could also be easily written out on notebook paper or a planner. The most important thing is to get it all written down and out of your head.**

# COLLEGE CENTER

## ACT

The April 4, 2020 administration has been rescheduled for June 13, 2020.

See website for real-time updates.

**\*\*If you need a fee waiver please email me. (These are only available for current juniors and seniors)**

## SAT

March 28 and May 2 administrations are cancelled.

June 6, 2020 administration not cancelled (yet).

See website for updates. Free resources available at <http://khanacademy.org/sat>

Juniors: SAT School Day will be moved from April 28, 2020 to October 14, 2020. The current juniors will sit for this test in Oct. as seniors.

***\*\*To qualify for a SAT fee waiver, you would have been identified during the PSAT. Students should log into their College Board accounts to check their status under MYSAT page. Paper fee waivers are no longer given out.***

## AP Testing

Traditional face-to-face exam administrations will not take place. Students will take a 45-minute online free-response exam at home. See website for more information.

As with all information, this is continuously changing as we navigate this uncharted territory. I will keep juniors and seniors updated with new information as it is presented. Please lookout for a more detailed college admissions update for juniors and seniors at a later time.

For information regarding College Readiness, please email Ms. L. Walker at [lwalker14@houstonisd.org](mailto:lwalker14@houstonisd.org)

# SOCIAL MEDIA

Don't forget to follow these social media handles:

Twitter: **@MLelandPrep**

Instagram: **mlcpa\_knights**

# High School News:

The assignments schedule has been posted in Google Classroom for each class. I recommend that parents read the PDF with the schedule, as well as the PDF of the 3/24/2020 update. All students should already be on my Remind, and I encourage parents to join, if they are not already. All work will be due on Fridays at 11:59pm, and the assignments will be in Google Classroom on Mondays. I am available for Office Hours 11-1pm Monday through Friday.

## **Chelsea Jordan**

*Mickey Leland College Preparatory Academy for Young Men*

AP US History, AP Government & Politics, AP Macroeconomics,  
AP Psychology, Model UN

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## **Mickey Leland College Prep MS/HS Physical Education**

Mickey Leland Physical Education H.O.M.E. learning will be taking place through two avenues. Facebook is where we will be adding workout videos/health articles/ and other resources. Google Classroom where students will be required to complete a fitness log each week.

First, Mickey Leland PE will provide students with weekly activities. These activities/exercises you can do at home with no equipment! You DO NOT have to create a Facebook account to view the page, make sure you are stopping by the Facebook page once a day!

[www.facebook.com/mickeylelandPE](https://www.facebook.com/mickeylelandPE)

Second, students will then be required to login to their google classroom using the corresponding code for their class and complete a weekly fitness log. This fitness log is due each Friday! The classrooms codes are below. If you are having trouble logging into your classroom please follow the how to on the next page.

### **High Schools Google Classroom Codes**

2nd – DTZMTGK

7th – IGZ5WTX

### **Middle School Google Classroom Codes**

1st – VUPHR63

2nd – U44K7VW

3rd – Q2QEHR

5th – YAKI6NV

6th – T3MY4MD

7th – P3K6HCY

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to email

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# Middle School News:

## Greeting 6th Grade

[www.mlcpaonline.wixsite.com/grade6](http://www.mlcpaonline.wixsite.com/grade6)

## Greeting 7th Grade

[www.mlcpaonline.wixsite.com/grade7](http://www.mlcpaonline.wixsite.com/grade7)

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## Greeting 8th Grade Parents and Guardians,

We hope all is well during this challenging time. The 8 th grade team is working hard to ensure all our students are still able to receive a quality education while at home. As we move forward with online learning, the following websites will be used to provide easy access to the assignment's students will need to complete; HOME, Google Classroom, HUB, Google Meets, YouTube and Remind. Each teacher will contact students with instructions on access to assignments and lessons. We also understand that our 8 th grade activities have been cancelled and dues have been paid. We are developing the best plan of action to distribute refunds. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out.

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Ms. Wilkerson (Reading/ELA) - [Lauren.Wilkerson@houstonisd.org](mailto:Lauren.Wilkerson@houstonisd.org)

Thank you,

**8 th Grade Team**



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Coronado, JoAnn	JCORONAD@houstonisd.org	H.O.M.E. (All core subjects) HUB (Imagine Math and Literacy/Language) EdPuzzle.com (ELA/Math, Science) Commonlit.com (ELA) NoRedInk.com (ELA) Khan Academy (Math/Grammar)
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