BCMA Instructional Agenda  
November 16, 2015

Important Dates in November
November 13th  Report Cards
November 7th and 14th  Saturday School / Detention
November 4th & 20th  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

Save the Date: Picture Day
Thursday, November 19th & Friday, November 20th
All Students Must be in School Uniform

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.

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\$###### (# 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 16th to 20th (Subject to Change)

Monday, November 16th (Blue) &
Tuesday, November 17th (Burgundy)
- Go Over Snapshot #2
- Mini-Lesson: Transitions
- Slates and Exit Ticket: Transitions
- HW: SNAPSHOT PREP HANDOUT

Wednesday, November 18th (Blue) – Early Release Day
- Chapter 2 Vocabulary
- HW: COMPLETE STORY BRAINSTORM GUIDE

Thursday, November 19th (Burgundy)
- Chapter 2 Vocabulary
- District Snapshot #3
- HW: COMPLETE STORY BRAINSTORM GUIDE

Friday, November 20th (Blue)
- Mini-Lesson: Fiction Expositions
- Dialogue Review and Practice
- District Snapshot #3
- HW: FINISH DRAFTING EXPOSITION

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/Wednesday: Students will conclude lesson on comparing and contrasting potential and kinetic energy and lessons/activities 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 review objectives covered in the previous weeks for this week’s district snapshot exam and teacher’s unit exam.

Thursday/Friday: Students will show mastery of all concepts covered in the past weeks by taking the district’s snapshot exam and teacher’s unit exam. Students will begin 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

- 3-D Layers of the Earth model project that was assigned on November 3rd (A-Day) or 4th (B-Day) are due this week.
- Due this week; Date and Rubric were 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.
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**
Unit Conversion and Understanding Percent
Homework: Practice and Problem Solving 8.4 & 9.1

**Tuesday & Wednesday**
Percent, Fraction, and Decimal
Homework: Practice and Problem Solving 9.2 A/B & D

**Thursday & Friday**
Snapshot #3
Homework: Motivation Math: Percent Handout

This week in World Cultures with Palmitier & Scott

This Week in Latin with Kirk
This Week in World Cultures with Tonry

This Week in Neuroscience with Dr. West-Denning & Dr. Williams

November 16th – 20th
- We will continue to discuss and review muscles.

November 19th & 20th
- Exam #2
- Final Results for Science Fair Project Due