

Middle School Newsletter



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Week of May 21st

Monday, May 21:

Elementary Awards Assembly 1:00-1:45

Middle School Awards Assembly 2:00-2:45

Drama 3:45-4:30

Continuation Set up 3:45

Zee Zee's Berry Apple Bar

(V) Cheese Pizza, Hummus Dippers, Chili Citrus Corn

Tuesday, May 22:

8th Grade Continuation Ceremony 7:00-9:00

Wholegrain Cinnamon Chex

Popcorn Chicken with BBQ Bean Sauce, Sesame Chicken Salad, Sliced Cucumber

Wednesday, May 23:

1st Grade Field Trip to Chatfield Botanic Gardens

Kindergarten Graduation Ceremony 10:00-11:00

French Toast Muffin

Pepper Jack Cheeseburger, Mighty Meaty Deli Combo Sandwich, Chopped Lettuce & Sliced Tomatoes with Ranch

Thursday, May 24:

Last Day for students

6th Grade to Big Time at 10:30, 7th Grade to Big Time at 1:00

5th Grade to Cotton Creek Park 10:30-2:15

4th Grade to Skate City

Apple Cinnamon Muffin

(V) Bean & Cheese Pupusa, Glazed Carrots

Friday, May 25:

Teacher and Assistant Work Day

Science with Mrs. Roe
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All Classes: Daily assignments will be put on the Google Classroom. Grade information is available on Infinite Campus, and grades will be updated by Tuesday mornings.

6th grade: Our final unit of the year will be an introduction to chemistry. This will be the content for the final test of the year. Final test is on May 22.

7th grade: We are beginning our last unit of the year, plate tectonics. This will be the content for the final test of the year. Final Test is on May 22.

8th grade: All science work is complete! Good luck in high school!

Grades for science are weighted:

15% Homework and Practice

35% Unit Tests

25% Semester Projects (Science Fair-Fall, Grade Specific-Spring)

25% Interactive Notebook and Textbook Checks

Lab Mondays: Thank you to Hannah Campbell and Beth Stacy for your help all year.

Student Council Information

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Social Studies with Mrs. Hughes

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We made it to the last week of school! It has been my privilege to teach each of you this year. While there have been some struggles this year that have been greater than other years I am hoping that everyone, including myself, has learned and is growing through these opportunities. We have also had some great opportunities and experiences this year and that is why I love what I do.

6th and 7th grade students, I hope you come back in the fall ready to learn and with the hope of a new year beginning. 8th grade students, as you embark on this next adventure in your life, I hope that you will take every opportunity to learn, make amazing friends, make wise decisions and small mistakes. You have one of the best times of your life ahead of you if you make it that. High school can be awesome in so many ways!

I hope that you enjoy your summer break and get lots of relaxation and sunshine. I will look forward to seeing you all in the fall.

8th Grade Finals	6th and 7th Grade Finals
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing - Essay (May 11) • Social Studies - project (May 14) • Literature - Test (May 15) • Science - Roller Coasters (May 10), Test (May 16) • Math - Project (May 18) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Writing - May 17 • Social Studies - May 18 • Literature - May 21 • Science - May 22 • Math - May 23 <p>Teachers will share details with each class.</p>

All Classes

- Report cards for middle school will be mailed at the end of May. Please make sure all of your fines are paid.
- This week we will be presenting our final projects. Make sure you are prepared when your group is drawn.

Google Classroom

- Please make sure you and your student are checking the Google Classrooms for middle school. This will help students stay caught up on work, keep their notebooks organized, and locate important information for several of their classes.
- All notes are available on Google Classroom the day we do them. Please check your notebooks to make sure you have everything.

Continuation Information: Set up for Continuation will be on May 21st beginning at 3:45 pm. Please plan to bring any food you volunteered for at this time.

Weighted Grades

I do weight my grades for academic classes as follows:

- Major grades = 60%
- Tests, projects, presentations, community service and other major assignments
 - Minor grades = 40%
- Quizzes, homework, classwork, notes, participation, and other daily or minor assignments

Math with Mrs. Avozani and Mr. Armstrong

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All Classes: It's the last week of school! We are finishing our in-class finals this week. We will be working on these Monday through Wednesday. Math finals are structured as group projects that are to be completed during class time.

Cougar Time and Electives with Mrs. Southern and Mrs. Worley

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All Classes: Your final capstone project, Weebly Website, that we have been working on all quarter is now past due. We will wrap up the presentations of the websites. In general, I am very proud of all your hard work in Photography. I have seen many of you grow in your photography talent. I hope you all have a great summer! See you in the fall.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns:

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Cougar Time

Have a great summer! It has been a good year, rest and appreciate every minute of your break!

6th Grade -- Monday and Tuesday will be study hall days. Wednesday we will write our final paragraphs and students will complete an evaluation on Cougar Time.

7th Grade -- Monday and Tuesday will be study hall days. Wednesday we will write our final paragraphs and students will complete an evaluation on Cougar Time.

8th Grade -- 8th grade will continue reading the book *Speak*.

Language Arts with Ms. Durfee & Mrs. Murphy

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From Mrs. Murphy:

6th Grade Literature: With finals over on Monday, our remaining days together will be spent reflecting on the year, previewing ideas for summer reading, and sharing our thoughts about our Book Club books with each other. Have a wonderful summer!

7th Grade Literature: With finals over on Monday, we will spend the last few days of class applying themes from *Cyrano* into real life and possibly a creative writing activity the show what we have learned about the characters. Have a wonderful summer!

8th Grade Writing: You did it! Essays are in, grades are done, and now we get to reflect over what we have learned this year! Our last few days together will include 6 word memoirs - where students think about encompassing their life into 6 words. I wish you all the best of luck next year!

From Ms. Durfee:

For those who don't already know, I will not be returning to Crown Pointe in the fall. I've loved my time here and deeply regret that I won't be continuing to help your 6th and 7th graders see themselves as writers and your 8th graders discover themselves and learn empathy for others through literature. I wish you all the best!

6th: Last week our final was publishing our short stories. I am very excited to read the stories the students have worked so hard on crafting! On Friday 6th grade wrote thank-you notes to adults in the building who have touched their lives this year.

This week we will wrap up writing with activities that look to the future and say goodbye to 6th grade, culminating in our outing to Big Time on Thursday!

7th: Last week the 7th grade writing final was publishing a persuasive letter that we will be sending out on Monday. On Monday the students will also receive peer evaluation sheets as homework that will be due Tuesday. My hope is that being able to take their time and fill these out privately will help students be honest about their team members' participation in the group work. Student scores on the final will be prorated be based on their peers' assessment of whether they participated equally. If you have any questions about this, please feel free to contact me.

This week we will wrap up writing by doing some activities that reflect on the students' 7th grade year and look to the future before our big trip to Big Time on Thursday!

8th: Eighth grade's final assessment was a 1-Pager on a creation or flood myth. In their last 2 days of middle school, we will be making memory books of their middle school years.

I'm looking forward to seeing you all at continuation on Tuesday evening!

Community Service/Mrs. Hughes

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Community Service

3rd quarter hours were due March 9th. Any outstanding hours need to be turned in as soon as possible.

Total Student Hours Complete: 1938

10+ Hours	20+ Hours	30+ Hours
Logan K., Brianna M., Yinlai Y., Reina L., Erin S., Chandler T., Anaiah C., John S., Alex T., Josias M., Owen M., Faustina P., Damien L., Alicia S., Robert M., Jamie M., Camryn Jo R., Tammy L., Angelo B., Valeria C., Dianna G., Yolanda O., Aria H-S., Andrew J., Ian M., Abad V., Benjamin W., Steven B., Michaelangelo D., Faustina P., Erin S., Ricky N., Jesus R., Hector S., Giselle M., Alex P., Melissa Z., Katherine C., Alicia P., Maiya T., Dylan B., Greg M., Naomi V., Aydin M., Conchita C., Matthew Q., Ezequiel V., Lilly H., Allison R., Trinity B., Smriti P., Juan N., Carter S., Ethan C., Giselle M-A., Chance H., Yaira O-P., Janett A., Aly V., Makayla B., Itzel O-P., Dakota W., Anthony V., Christian P., Heather R., Jonathan A., Shyya M., Mario M-M., Jessica R., Serenity V., Carlee K., Kimberly A., Ebony H., Victoria M., Eric S., Manuel B., Savion M., Jaidyn M., Nevaeh Q., Marissa R., Paola C., Justice C., Josh C., Aaron A., Leah L., Natalia M., Jessy M., Aly V., Makayla B., Mason J., Donovan M., Michael B., Jamisyn S., Arthur G-H., Josh J., Melissa B., Nickita A., Sammy J., Paige A., Diego M., Kamron A., Oliver D., Mark M., Noah L., Nicholas L., Gerry J., Georgia A., Owen C., Ava F., Jusinda A., Louis P., Liam S. Juliet B.,	Jeremiah M.- 20 Ezra V.- 26 Giselle M-M- 20 Daniel T.-20 Irwin T.-24.5 Diego S.-21	Cori R.-50 Anjelica G.-38 Anthony M.-30 Lizeth G.-40 Joey R.-50 Mac Z.-55 Lance M.-48 Megan M.-32

Community Service Grading

- 2.5 new hours each quarter in addition to the hours required the quarter before
- To receive a 100%, students should have a total of 2.5 hours at the end of 1st quarter, 5 hours at the end of 2nd quarter, 7.5 hours at the end of 3rd quarter, and 10 hours at the May 11th cutoff date for 4th quarter.
- Until the previous quarter's requirements are met no new credit will be given.
- Students will receive 20 points for each **completed** half hour of service in the quarterly requirement. Additional half hours are credited to the following quarter up to the 10 hour requirement. Once the 10 hour requirement is met the student will receive a 100% for that quarter and all following quarters.
- A log (available in Mrs. Hughes' room) must be completed for each month's service and turned in to Mrs. Hughes' room.
- Partial half hours will receive no credit. Hours turned in after the quarterly deadline will be counted toward the total in the next quarter.