

Getting Ready for April 11-15

<http://meckhart.wixsite.com/classroom>

(links are only clickable in the email attachment of this newsletter)

Confirm SBA testing dates & location in TestingNirvana

SPRING BREAK
april 4-8

WIN (What's Important Now):

Monday, April 11 – Monday Meeting/Hot Chocolate Class: SBA Writing Performance Task

Assigned: SBA Practice Writing PT - prewrite & planning

Tuesday, April 12 – Math Class: Review concepts

Assigned: March 31-April 15 Classkick assignments reviewing all concepts in math

Assigned: SBA Practice Writing PT – three body paragraphs

Wednesday, April 13 – Pax Begins!

Assigned: Pax Chp. 1-3

Assigned: SBA Practice Writing PT – intro and conclusion paragraphs

Thursday, April 14 – small groups & help labs

Friday, April 15 – small groups & help labs

Assigned: Pax Chp. 4-6

Looking Ahead:

SEE ATTACHED DIRECTIONS: Instructions to ensure your Secure Portal has been downloaded onto your personal computer to bring to testing with you. WAVA will be giving the state Smarter Balanced assessment between April 25 to May 13. You will receive your dates, locations, and testing times no later than Monday, March 28. There will be directions in that e-mail on how to confirm your testing location. Please confirm by Friday, April 1st.

4th grade students will take the ELA and math tests so will have 2 days of testing.

We are still awaiting guidance on some health and safety issues, but group sizes will be closer to the regular testing size. Students will be distanced 3 to 6 feet apart with 6 feet being the target distance. All students and proctors will wash their hands or use a hand sanitizer.

Re-registration: (SEE ATTACHED DIRECTIONS)

Registration for next school year is already upon us! Attached, are the directions to help guide you through the process. (Please complete the attached directions ASAP.)

1. If returning, follow the attached directions (district choice transfer form is necessary).
2. If undecided, please consider choosing "registering" from the drop-down menu. You can contact the WAVA office over the summer if you change your mind.

Benefits of choosing "registering" vs. "still thinking about it":

- Teacher positions are based on enrollment.
- Paperwork is minimal in comparison to your first year.
- Holds your place in line for next year instead of potentially waiting through the fall to be placed in a classroom.



To Do Second Semester:

- ❑ Check grades weekly in OLS. Look for M's = Missing (scores as a zero)
- ❑ Check Classkick for work completion by opening assignments to browse through.
- ❑ MAP Accelerator – 10 minutes each day – Weekly completion points will be added to the gradebook
- ❑ Check to make sure you are completing your Daily/Weekly Plan every day.
- ❑ Complete any “overdue” and/or “not mastered” lessons (found on the Weekly Plan) before the following week!
Completing these lessons will need to be tackled after the lessons on your Plan have already been completed daily.
- ❑ Check Classkick Assignments for completion! Learning Coaches please check these each week. Completely opening the assignment to verify that the student has finished all parts is needed to help students be successful. Emailing is needed as well when your student completes a Classkick assignment, so I am notified to score it asap and plug that score into the gradebook. Classkick and the gradebook do not communicate with each other, and I don't receive alerts if a student finishes an assignment. Thank you so much for your help with this!