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EAST MILLBROOK MAGNET MIDDLE

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8th Grade

Date: 4/17/2023

From Assistant Principal: Mrs. McCants

- **Hallway Sweeps:** As we return to our normal procedures, we will continue to conduct random hallway sweeps. We had our first one after break on 4/13. For this sweep, 31 of 249 students were “swept.” We are super proud of the 218 students who continue to meet our expectations, and we ask that you continue to support us as we hold students accountable to ending the school year on a strong and positive note.
- **End of the Year Events:** As we near the end of the year, we are approaching two major 8th grade events - the 8th Grade Formal and the 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony. Please visit our [8th Grade website](#) for more details on both events, and reach out to me directly at bmccants@wcpss.net, or 919-850-8755 (ext. 27350) if you have further questions.

From the ELA Teachers: Ms. Carr, Ms. Franklin, Ms. McKinney, Ms. Needell

- Over the next few weeks students will analyze the impact of the Supreme Court Case “Plessy v. Ferguson” and compare/contrast different viewpoints in relation to the case.
- Students should come to class each day with their workbook and novel. Online copies of these materials can be found on Google Classroom.
- Please be sure to check PowerSchool frequently to see if your student is missing any assignments.
- Starting next week, Lexia progress will be recorded each week in the gradebook. Students are expected to complete at least 17 units a week.

From the Math Teachers: Ms. Gray, Ms. Graham, Ms. Hilliard, Ms. Lamprides, Mr. Lewis

- Math 8: Students will be starting/continuing/wrapping up the Laws of Exponents Unit. And/or wrapping up Scientific Notation in preparation for their Scientific Notations Test. Math 8 Students will also be taking their 2nd NC Check-In Math Test for the School Year Online on Wednesday, 4/19 and Thursday, 4/20. On these days, students need to make sure they come to school with a charged laptop/computer.
- Math I:
 - Students will be introduced/have started/wrapped Pythagorean Theorem and will work with finding the Area and Perimeter of Polygons using the Pythagorean Theorem and the Distance Formulas.
- Reminders for Math 8 and Math 1:
 - Complete any daily assigned Math Practice homework during the week.
 - Complete at least 5 lessons of Dreambox each week as well.
 - Students can retake any test from the current quarter for partial extra credit as well as make up any missing assignments from the quarter.
 - Check Powerschool grades weekly for updates on student progress.

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- Mrs. Lamprides will have after-school tutoring for Math 8 and Math 1 students every Wednesday until 3:30pm. Students will need parent permission to stay after school and a confirmed mode of transportation home.
 - Mrs. Graham has Math tutoring for both Math 8 and Math I students every Tuesday until 3:30pm. Students will need parent permission to stay after school and a confirmed mode of transportation home.

From Social Studies: Mr. Park, Ms. McGee.

- This week we will continue our discussion of the new government of the US to include the Constitution, the three branches of the government, and the Louisiana Purchase. We will review Friday for our test on Monday the 17th.
- Beginning the 18th we will discuss the Lewis and Clark Expedition and other aspects of the Westward Movement including the concept of Manifest Destiny .

Science Teachers: Ms. Deas-Brown, Mr. Ferguson

- We began our **NEW** unit “**Hydrosphere**” last week. This unit will cover how water is distributed throughout Earth, freshwater, monitoring water quality, and the oceans.
- We will have our **Water #1 Vocabulary Test** and our **Freshwater Test** on Wed. 4/19
- **Reminders:**
 - Make up any missing assessments
 - Complete Test Corrections for any test to retake (see [Test Corrections procedure](#))

From the Counselor: Mrs. Spaulding

Magnet application round 2 is April 10-21!!!

The application period will re-open for a select group of magnet schools with available priority seats from Apr. 10-21. Only applicants who meet magnet priority will be considered. To be eligible for a priority magnet seat, both your base school and your home address must be considered medium or high socioeconomic status. This is how we meet the magnet objective of promoting school integration. Review [a list of schools participating in round 2](#) and learn more about [application priorities](#). The application will be available on SchoolMint on Monday, April 10. Contact magnetcenter@wcpss.net or call (919) 533-7289 with any questions.

Apply at wcpss.schoolmint.com

After-school Tutoring is ongoing with EM3 continuing our partnership with Communities In Schools. Monday/Wednesday cohort still has availability. Program runs Mon.-Thurs. 2:20-4:30. Parent pick-up in the bus loop. If you are interested in signing up your scholar, please email me so an application can be sent home!

Other Reminders (Special Events, Report Card Dates, Interim dates etc)

- Monday, April 17th - Quarter 3 Report Cards sent home with students
- Friday, April 21st - Teacher Workday (No School)
- Friday, April 28th - Deadline to Order Yearbooks Online for \$25 (Instructions on how to order Yearbooks Online are [here](#))

For More Information about our School feel free to visit our [EM3 School Website](#)