



Curriculum Night

"If you're making mistakes, it means you are out there doing something."

- Neil Gaiman

Grading Policies and Information:

NEW GRADING SCALE

A	100 - 90
B	89 - 80
C	78 - 70
D	69 - 60
F	59 - Below

5 day late policy:

Students have 5 days past the original due date to submit assignments. After the 5 day window, assignments will NO longer be accepted and the students will receive a 0/F.

Grading parameters:

Grades are established with the expectation that students must do **ALL** assigned work that reflects their achievement and performance data.

Practice grades account for 25% and **Mastery grades** account for 75% of the student's total grade in all CORE subjects.

Accessing Powerschool

Grades can be accessed using PowerSchool by both students and parents. Grades on Canvas do not necessarily represent the student's actual grade in the class. Please use PowerSchool for accurate grade status.

Student Access to PowerSchool:

Directions are posted on the JNF Student Resources Page. We will be helping students establish their accounts in the coming week.

Parent Access to PowerSchool:

Parents must first create a Parent Portal account. The [link](#) is posted under 'Quick Links' on the JNF website.

Parents will need a unique code when creating an account the first time. Letters were sent home with your student recently containing your access code.

Contact- Jessica.Woolard@cabarrus.k12.nc.us if you need assistance.

Math “Year at a glance”

Unit 1: Area and Surface Area

Unit 2: Factors and Multiples

Unit 3: Ratio Reasoning

Unit 4: Division of Fractions

Unit 5: Decimal Computation

Unit 6: Integer and Rational Numbers

Unit 7: Coordinate Planes

Unit 8: Algebraic Expressions

Unit 9: Algebraic Equations

Unit 10: Volume

Unit 11: Statistics



ALEKS: Students are being challenged to master a set number of topics in ALEKS by the end of the year. Their goal is to master at least 5 topics per week. This may increase throughout the year. [A special presentation on ALEKS](#) is posted on teacher webpages and Canvas



Mastery Connect: Used to both formally and informally assess students understanding of math standards throughout the year.

How can I help my student?

- **Check their math notebook-** Students have a composition notebook that they should have in their backpacks at all times. This is a space for notes and examples, so it should be an easy place to review their learning with them.
- **Ask about ALEKS-** Check with your student throughout the week about their ALEKS progress and take a look at their ALEKS pie. ALEKS assignments run from 12:00am Monday to 11:59pm Sunday night to ensure enough time to complete their topic goal.
- **Ask them about what they are learning-** Most days students can either show you their Canvas assignment or take their paper-based work out of their math folder for you to look at.

ELA/ALPS “Year at a Glance”:

Unit 1 - 40 Book Challenge Introduction/Genres

Unit 2 - Descriptive Writing

Unit 3 - Fiction Notice and Note/Personal Narratives

Unit 4 - Personal Narratives Unit

Unit 5 - Nonfiction Strategies and Text Structures

Unit 6 - Nonfiction Notice and Note

Unit 7 - Informational Writing

Unit 8 - Historical Fiction

Unit 9 - Social Issues Unit (Ongoing throughout year)

Unit 10 - Argumentative Essay Writing

Unit 11- Short Stories and EOG Review

40 Book Challenge:

THE 40 BOOK CHALLENGE IS:

- a personal challenge
- self-selected reading across the genres
- tracking the books you read to determine your reading interests.
- sharing books you like with others

THE 40 BOOK CHALLENGE IS NOT:

- a contest against classrooms or students
- a reading assignment tied to writing a book report, a summary, or any other type of "proof I read the book" assignment.
- a reading for a reward program.
- limiting students choices or access to books (not limiting students reading lives)
- A way to take grades

40 Book Challenge

- 5 Realistic Fiction
- 5 Fantasy
- 5 Informational
- 5 Biography/Autobiography
- 4 Mystery
- 4 Historical Fiction
- 2 Poetry
- 10 YOUR CHOICE!

HERE'S THE IMPACT OF READING 20 MINUTES PER DAY!

A student who reads	A student who reads	A student who reads
20:00	5:00	1:00
minutes per day	minutes per day	minute per day
will be exposed to 1.8 MILLION words per year and scores in 90th PERCENTILE on standardized tests	will be exposed to 282,000 words per year and scores in 50th PERCENTILE on standardized tests	will be exposed to 8,000 words per year and scores in 10th PERCENTILE on standardized tests

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How can I help my student in ELA?

- **Check the Assignment Board-** It will be updated daily and include a week at a glance with assignments and assessment dates.
- **Check Canvas-** All assignments and learning materials will be posted daily on Canvas in the Modules section.
- **Ask them about what they learn each day-** Students can either show you their Canvas assignment or ELA notebook.

Science "Year at a glance"

Unit 1: Chemistry-

Understand the structure, classifications and physical properties of matter.

Unit 2: Physics-

Understand characteristics of energy transfer and interactions of matter and energy.

Unit 3: Astronomy-

Understand the earth/moon/sun system

Unit 4: Geology-

Understand the structure of the earth

Unit 5A: Ecology-

Understand the structures, processes and behaviors of plants

Unit 5B: Ecology-

Understand the flow of energy through ecosystems

We Use Our Engineering Habits Daily

Optimism

- Attack problems with eagerness and openness
- Growth-mindset

Systems-thinking

- Connections across subjects
- Using a variety of technology

Creative

- Does NOT mean artistic or pretty
- Thinking outside the box
- Incorporating talents when possible

Collaboration and Communication

- Teamwork
- Explaining and defending choices in the design process

Ethics

- Evaluating solutions for environmental impact
- Using ideas responsibly

Social Studies “Year at a Glance”: 8000 BCE-1400 CE

Unit 1 - Interaction and Civilization

Unit 2- Expansion and Impact

Unit 3- Systems and Power

Unit 4- Influence and Society

We work to help students develop:

- critical thinking skills (make inferences and observations)
- analytical skills (look for cause and effect, compare and contrast)
- evaluation skills
- communication skills (verbal and written)
- recognition of cause and effect in history

How can I help my student in Social Studies?

- **Check the Assignment Board-** It will be updated daily and include a week at a glance with assignments and assessment dates.
- **Check Canvas-** All assignments and learning materials will be posted daily on Canvas in the Modules section.
- **Ask them about what they learn each day-** Students can either show you their Canvas assignment, SS notebook or take their paper-based work out of their accordion folder.
- **Corrections-** When students make less than 100 on an assessment they are allowed to make corrections and earn points back to improve their grade. Students are expected to show their wrong answer, the new answer and explain how they know their new answer is correct. In other words they should explain their thinking to demonstrate learning of the concept.

School Communication

- Facebook
- Twitter
- Instagram
- Blackboard Connect
- Automated Calls/Emails
- JN Fries Website

Team Communication

- Remind App
- Teacher Websites
- Assignment Board
- Teacher Canvas courses
- Powerschool



Donate
online

PTO members will be collecting cash or checks in the mall Thursday and Friday before homeroom.

Prizes are tiered

- \$3- JNF water bottle
- \$5 - Kona Ice Treat
- \$10 - Raffle Ticket
- \$15 - School wide Dodgeball Tournament



100%
donations go
to the school



Knights Quest Fundraiser

A list of raffle items is available online <https://jn-fries-ptd.square.site/knights-quest>



Have you...



- Completed the parent contact information form?
- Paid the instruction supply fee with cash, check or using the K12 Payment Center
- Completed the free and reduced lunch application?



Thank you for attending

