

6th grade

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

August 17, 2022

Agenda

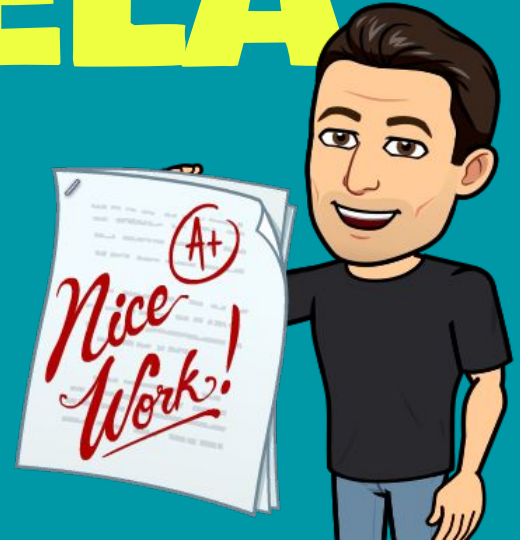
- ELA - Mr. Hammond
- Math - Mrs. Demonteverde
- History, Art, Spanish - Ms. Ramirez
- Elective (Music) - Mrs. Uys
- Questions



Welcome to

6th Grade ELA

with Mr. Hammond



Meet Mr. Hammond



ELA 6

"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember.
Involve me and I learn." -Benjamin Franklin

Contact Info

Reading

- **Independent choice reading:** setting reading goals, reflecting on reading
- **Teacher selected texts:** reading strategies, annotations
- **Whole class novels**
- **Literary elements:** focus on character, conflict, theme, point of view
- **Genres**
- **Figurative Language:** focus on imagery
- **Poetry**

Writing

- **Narrative:** focus on characterization, conflict, theme (character growth), point of view, dialogue, imagery
- **Informative:** focus on research techniques, paraphrasing, summarizing, citing sources
- **Argument:** focus on thesis statement/claim, providing supportive evidence, organization
- **Creative Writing**
- **E-mails**
- **Revising and editing techniques**



Teacher: Mr. Hammond



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Additional Areas of Study

- **Speaking:** oral presentations, readers theater, poetry reading, improv games
- **Listening Skills**
- **IB:** Some assignments will be scored for an IB "grade" only. Assignment will be scored with an IB rubric.

ELA Essentials

ELA Essentials are those topics that are essential to good reading and writing.

- **Vocabulary:** multisyllabic words, Greek & Latin roots/affixes, spelling using roots/affixes
- **Grammar:** review parts of speech, sentence structure, standards focus on pronouns

Materials



Bring to class daily:



5-subject ELA notebook



iPad (charged)



Pencils!!!



Independent reading book



Planner



Earbuds/headphones

ELA 6






"In three words I can sum up everything I've learned about life: it goes on." -Robert Frost

Grading Scale

100% - 90%	A
89% - 80%	B
79% - 70%	C
69% - 60%	D
59% & below	F

Grade Weighting ELA

Each assignment is assigned to a category. Assignments in each category are averaged together. These averages are worth a percentage of the overall grade.

-  Reading - 30%
-  Writing - 30%
-  Assessments - 20%
-  Listening/Speaking - 10%
-  IB - 10%

IB Language & Literature

IB Language & Literature Year 1 is 6th grade ELA. An emphasis is placed on story analysis, higher-level thinking, and the reading and writing connection.

Objectives are divided up by:

- Content (receptive & productive)
- Organization
- Style & Language Mechanics

Class Procedures

- Most assignments will be managed through Google Classroom. Due dates, links, materials, etc. will be posted and explained on the assignment. All assignments will also be listed on the board in the classroom. Students are responsible for writing assignments in the planner, managing work time in class, and asking questions when necessary.
- Late assignments will be accepted up to 2 weeks past the due date with a max credit of 70%. Check Power School on a consistent basis for the most updated information on grades. However, please understand that longer assignments, typically writing, take longer to grade.
- Academic honesty requires that students produce work that is their own. Students should not use another person's assistance, notes, etc. to complete assignments unless permitted by the teacher. Please refer to the Beechwood Handbook for more information.
- Extra credit is not generally offered. Students are encouraged to work hard on all assignments the first time.

Homework

Daily reading 30 minutes

Reading Logs

- Students will need to read 30 minutes a day and log how many pages were read on our class reading log (Students will be given new log each week).
- Please sign and check students reading log to ensure they are reading daily.

Book Reports

- Students will complete 1 book report per trimester (3 total in a year)
- Books reports will need to be completed on the Book Report form provided in class and turn it in before the end of the trimester.
- Students may choose what book they want to do the book report on.

Classroom Assignments

- Most assignment will be done in class and students will have ample time to complete them (Including some time for daily reading).
- If assignments are completed in class it will be the students responsibility to complete them as homework.

IB - International Baccalaureate

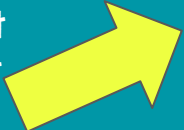
Community Service =
9 hours

6th graders will submit a community service form along with a reflection form describing their experience in giving back to their community. All hours must be completed by FRIDAY, MAY 5TH, 2023

(Both community service forms and reflection form can be found on the 6th grade Blackboard site.)



Power School Parent Account Request Form



PowerSchool SIS

Student and Parent Sign In

Select Language: English

Username:

Password:

[Forgot Username or Password?](#)

[Sign In](#)

Parents - Do you need assistance in setting up your PowerSchool account? Contact the school office or email ps_portalsupport@myfsd.org with your student's name, grade level and school. Please do not submit a support ticket. You can access your student's State Testing scores for ELPAC, CAASPP, and CAST, attendance, junior high Progress Reports, and Report Cards. If you click on "Forgot Username or Password", please make sure you use the same email address that is tied to your account. Check your SPAM folder if you don't see the email response from our PowerSchool server.

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And now...

Mrs. Demonteverde

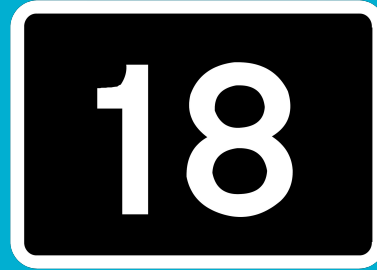
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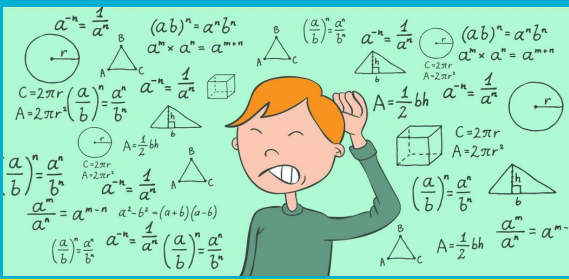
6th grade Math, Science, and Design



Meet Mrs. Demonteverde



Math



- Math 5—subject Notebooks
- Go Math Book & E—book (Math on the Spot Videos, Personal Trainer) *Log into Clever using Google Account
- iReady Resources + IXL + Reflex
- 2 District Diagnostic Benchmarks

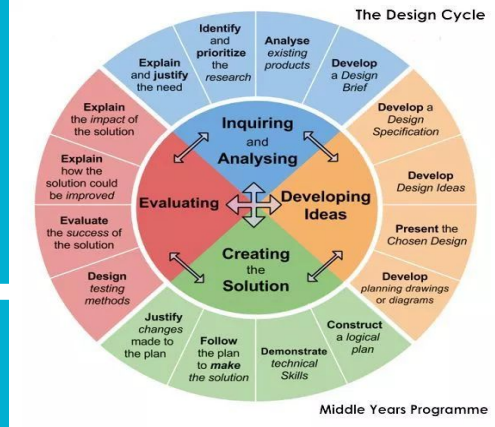
Science



- Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)
- Discovery Education Curriculum (online textbook via Clever)
- Physical Science— Energy
- Life Science – Cells, Human Body
- Earth Science— Earth Systems, Weather & Climate

DESIGN CYCLE - IB

- Based on IB Design Cycle (process over product)
- Incorporated into Science Grade as part of the Engineering Standards in NGSS
- Challenge Students to:
 - apply practical and creative thinking skills to solve design problems
 - explore the role of design in both historical and contemporary contexts
 - consider their responsibilities when making design decisions



Homework

- Monday - Thursday
- Recorded in planners
- Grading - only some questions will be recorded for a grade. Student must show work to receive full credit on selected questions (applies to MATH).
- IXL - up to 65
- Study for quizzes/tests
- Unfinished work



Tests

- Upcoming Quizzes/Tests will be indicated in Sunday emails.
- Math quizzes weekly
- Math Tests - as we complete a Unit
- Study materials:
 - *Math notebook
 - *Textbook
- Science quizzes & tests as we finish concepts

Grading

- LETTER Grades this year!

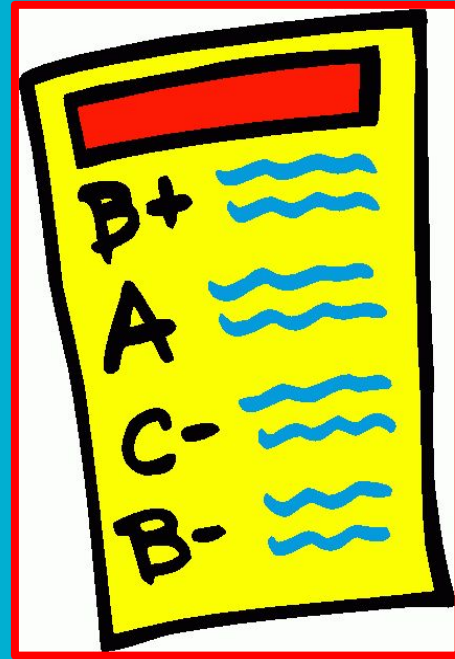
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69% - 60% = D (previously a 2+)

Below 60% = F (previously a 2, 1+ or 1)



Grading

Category Weights

MATH:

Homework	5%
IXL	15%
Quizzes	20%
Unit Tests	25%
Notebook & Classwork	20%
Performance Tasks	15%

SCIENCE:

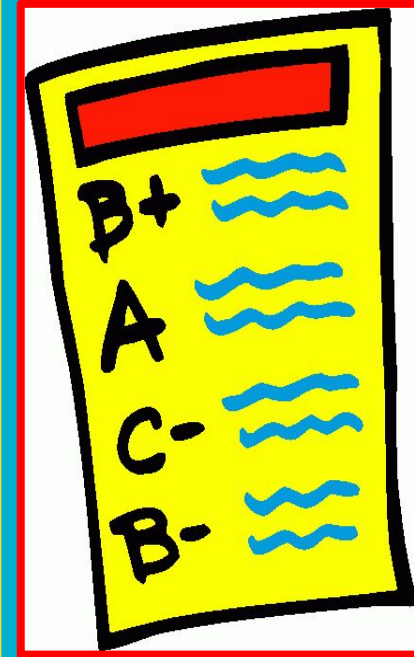
Quizzes	20%
Unit Tests	35%
Investigations/Projects	30%
IB Projects:	15%

Absences & Late Work

*Every day a student is absent = 1 day to make up the work

*Late work will be accepted up to 2 weeks late.

*Students will receive a penalty for late work



iPad Expectations

→ Use iPad in appropriate manner

iPads are to be used as an **instructional tool**. Students who violate classroom/instructor rules may receive a strike. Appropriate and kind digital citizenship is expected at all times. Ex: off task, not on correct app/page, inappropriate content, etc. At teacher's discretion.

→ Store your iPad properly.

iPad should not be left in unauthorized area. Ex: Lunch tables, black top, outside in weather, etc

→ Bring iPad to School EVERY DAY!

→ iPad Battery Should be FULLY charged EVERY DAY!

→ Be SAFE with your iPad

Ex: Running, no case, throwing iPad, etc.

→ Do NOT Modify iPad

Ex: Applying passcodes, downloading apps without permission, modifying operating system, etc.





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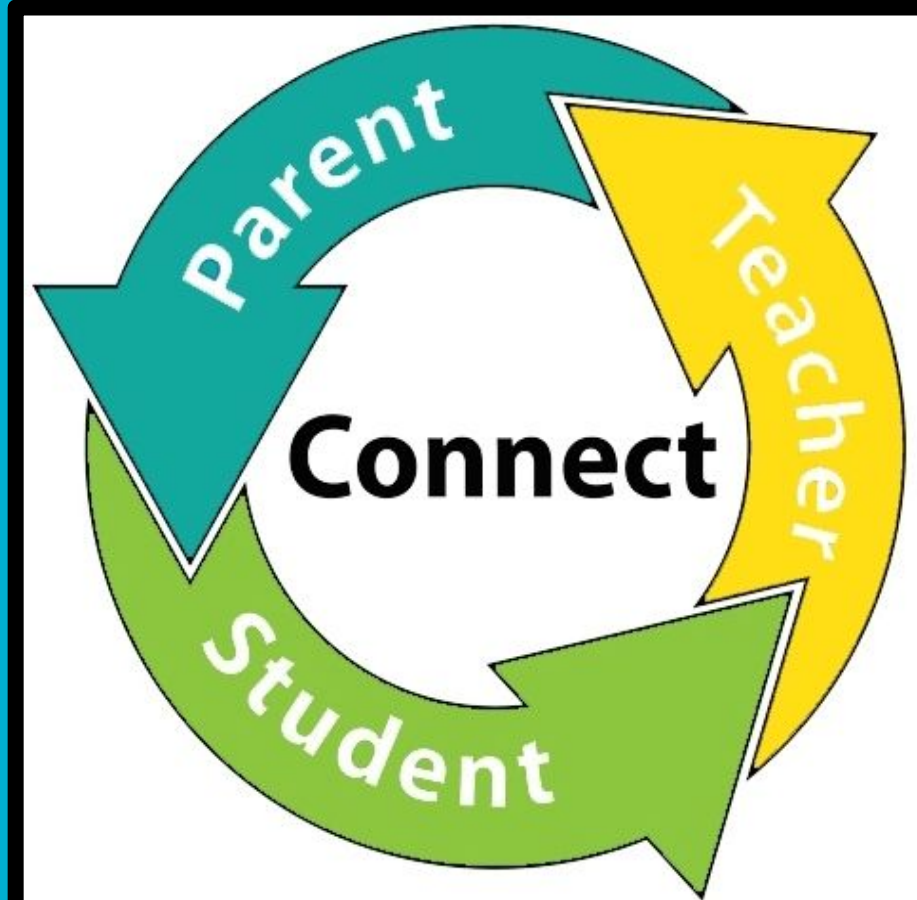
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FIND IT FAST



Communication

- ★ **Students Advocate FIRST!** - encourage your child to ask questions regarding assignments/tests before you email!
- ★ **Email** - best form of communication
- ★ **Blackboard** - class info for ALL teachers
- ★ **Power School** - current grades/missing assignments
- ★ **Progress Reports** - throughout the year you will receive a progress report
- ★ **Google Classroom** - students will receive feedback on various assignments in GC. Parents can sign up for summary reports!



Outdoor Science School

Dates: May 8th - 12th, 2023

- Emerald Cove Outdoor Science
 - Cost: APPROX: \$450
 - Option for Parent-Led Fundraising (ice cream sales not permitted)



And now...

Ms. Ramirez

Welcome to 6th Grade

SPANISH

ART

HISTORY

Ms. Ramirez

Meet Ms. Ramirez



History

Units of Study

Unit 1 Introduction to World History

Ch. 1 - Tools of History

Ch. 2 - The Earliest Human Societies

Unit 2 Southwest Asia

Ch. 3 - Ancient Mesopotamia

Ch. 4 - Early Empires

Unit 3 Ancient Africa

Ch. 5 - Ancient Egypt

Ch. 6 - Kush & Other African Kingdoms

Unit 4 Ancient Asian & American

Ch. 7 - Ancient India

Ch. 8 - Ancient China

Ch. 9 - Ancient America

Unit 5 The Roots of Western Ideas

Ch.10 - The Hebrew Kingdoms

Ch.11 - Ancient Greece

Ch. 12 - Classical Greece

Unit 6 The World of Ancient Rome

Ch. 13 - The Rise of Rome

Ch. 14 - The Birth of Christianity

Ch. 15 - Rome's Decline & Legacy

Textbook:
McDougal Littell World History

"Those that fail to learn from history, are doomed to repeat it." -Winston Churchill



Supplies

Bring to class daily:



iPad (charged)



3 Subject Notebook



Pens & Pencils



Ruler



History Textbook



A Positive Attitude

Grading Breakdown

Graded assignments can be broken down into the following categories:

✓ Unit Tests/quizzes - 40%



Notebook - 10%



Classwork - 25%



IB- 10%



Projects- 15%

Cultural Connections

"You can't use up creativity, the more you use, the more you have. - Maya Angelou"

Art

7 Elements of Art & Famous Artist Studies

- Line
- Color
- Value
- Shape
- Texture
- Space



Spanish

Spanish will consist of vocabulary building games, activities, songs and weekly quizzes. In addition, students will practice reading, writing and speaking in Spanish using a variety of modalities such as sock puppet recordings, skits, and readings.







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Graded assignments can be broken down into the following categories:

- ✓ Quizzes- 40%
- ✓ Classwork- 25%
- ✓ Notebook- 10%
- ✓ IB- 10%
- ✓ Projects- 15%

Supplies

Bring to class daily:

-  iPad (charged)
-  3 Subject Notebook
-  Pens & Pencils
-  Ruler
-  Art Journal
(provided by All the Arts)
-  A Positive Attitude

Contact Info



Teacher: Ms. Ramirez



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Citizenship Point System

Students will receive 60 points for each day of the trimester. Each teacher will track points in their own class. Points are deducted for not following class rules.

Point Value for Citizenship Grade

(60 days)

'O' Outstanding = 60-54 points (100-90%)

'S' Satisfactory = 53-30 points (89-50%)

'N' Needs to Improve = 29-15 points (49-30%)

'U' Unsatisfactory = 15-0 points (29-0%)

- ★ Students receiving an 'N' or a 'U' will not be eligible to participate in Honor Roll.
- ★ Students receiving 'N' or 'U' will not be eligible to receive National Honor Society status.



Points are deducted for the following reasons:

-1 point

tardy
not prepared
talking out of turn
missing planner
Out of seat w/o permission

-3 points

cell phone used during class
chewing gum
disrupting instruction
iPad misuse (3 strikes = lunch detention)

-5 points

off-task
unsafe behavior
disrespectful

-10 points

bullying/cyberbullying
academic dishonesty
fighting

Cell Phones

- ★ Students can place their phone in our collection bin voluntarily and can collect them at the end of each class period.
- ★ We want students to be able to focus and we understand that phones can be a distraction.
- ★ Students can lose Citizenship points if it is out during class.



IB + Pathfinder



Thrively

6th Grade Instrumental Music - Mrs. Uys

Students may choose between band and string orchestra in 6th grade and no experience is necessary to join any music classes.

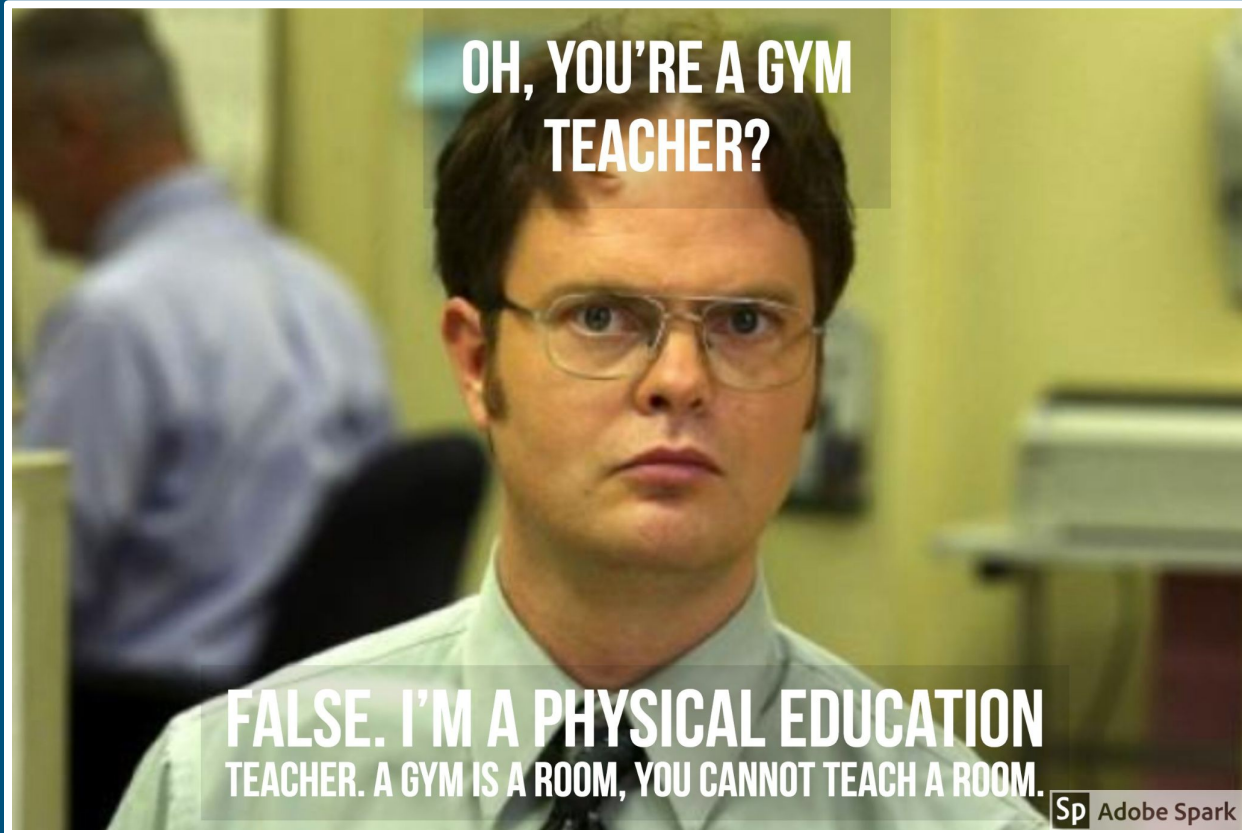
*String orchestra consists of violin, viola, cello and bass and classes will meet 1st period Tuesdays and Fridays.

*Band consists of all of the blowing instruments and percussion (flute, oboe, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, french horn, trombone, baritone) and will meet 1st period Mondays and Thursdays..

*Beginners with no musical experience through advanced musicians are welcome to join these electives.

*Beechwood Advanced Orchestra will meet after school on Wednesdays beginning August 31 and is designed for students who have played their instruments for 2 or more years

Middle School PE Program





BURNING QUESTIONS