



PARTNERING FOR SUCCESS

M.E.T.S Charter School Home of the Mustangs

November 13, 2015

Principal's Message:

"The winds will blow their own freshness into you and the storms their energy, while cares will drop away from you like the leaves of Autumn." Fall poem by John Muir

Dear M.E.T.S. Students, Staff, and Families:

Happy Friday, Mustangs! I trust you're well. We also appreciate everyone who likes us on Facebook and is following us on Twitter. We have had another excellent week of student learning at M.E.T.S. Please see attached photos.

I am happy to report that the students are getting used to the routine of school, the academic demands of a new grade level and the expectations of a new school year. To help students reach and exceed expectations in literacy, the following are a few key points to consider:

1. Moving up one grade in reading level, say from 9th grade to 10th grade reading level, requires an hour of reading a day. For students who are below grade in reading level, they actually need to read more than this to catch up and be college ready by the time they graduate.

2. Reading long, complex texts is more important now than ever. The new Common Core Standards in both English and Math require students to read longer texts with more challenging vocabulary. Just as important: The new SAT, which is being unveiled for the first time this year, will require much

more reading of college textbook type of material. Colleges want to know that students can read on a college level when they accept students.



sure to view the school calendar in this newsletter or our school website so you don't miss anything! Please help your child in their daily preparations for school by encouraging them to do their best, making sure they arrive to school on time with a good attitude, they are well rested and eat a good breakfast. We appreciate your help at home.

Parent Teacher Conferences are planned for November. It is vitally important for you to attend at conference time in order for you to discuss your child's progress with his/her teacher. All faculty and staff members are in the building during conferences for your convenience so that you can feel free to communicate with all of the teachers that instruct your child.

Lastly, November is a time intended for giving thanks. I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for taking the time to read with your children, check homework, communicating with your child's teacher and countless other things you do as a parent to encourage and support the education of

your son or daughter. SAFETY: Your child's safety is our top priority. Please drive safely around the school. Remember to please check in at the front desk ANYTIME you come on campus during school hours. Thank you in advance for adhering to this safety policy.

Have a GREAT weekend!

Sincerely,
Principal Dennis

wdennis@metsschool.org

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Mentoring Program Coming Soon!

Students of the Month:

- 6th grade: Camilla Ramos
- 7th grade: Damani Mitchell
- 8th grade: Samantha Guzman
- 9th grade: Lizzie Reyes
- 10th grade: Kerensa Cadet
- 11th grade: Jamie Sumilang
- 12th grade: Ezekiel Del Rosario

Staff of the Month:

Claude Davila

Don't forget to follow us on facebook & twitter:



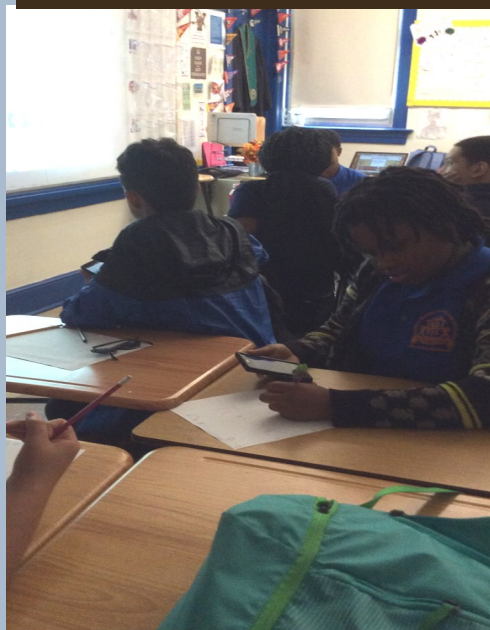
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Math: Pre-Algebra

We played a game called Kahoot to review skills on rational numbers. The game is competitive and the students get to see their progress per question and on a leader board which displays the class's top 5 scorers. The more questions they get right, the higher their score goes. The students who are on the leader board get a prize at the end, which is usually extra credit. We played this game to review for their benchmark exam.



Ms. Rickley's Pre-Algebra Class



Club Corner

Monday:

Chess & Board Game Club

Open: All students

Room: 209

Staff: Dr. Pustilnik –

mpustilnik@metscharterschool.org

Mr. Castanheira –

pcastanheira@metscharterschool.org

Student Council

Open: All students by election

Room: 203

Staff: Ms. Aronds –

caronds@metscharterschool.org

Mr. Urbankowski –

durbankowski@metscharterschool.org

Ms. Zamora –

szamora@metscharterschool.org

Mr. Flannery –

jflannery@metscharterschool.org

Tuesday:

Maker Lab

Open: All Students

Room: 309

Staff: Mr. Shallcross –

cshallcross@metscharterschool.org

Ms. Aronds –

caronds@metscharterschool.org

Anime Club

Open: All students

Room: 203

Staff: Ms. Aronds –

caronds@metscharterschool.org

HS Poetry/Creative Writing

Open: All high school students

Room: 202

Staff: Multiple English staff

Multicultural Club

Open: All students

Room: 200

Staff: Ms. Muhammad-Jones –

nmuhammadjones@metscharterschool.org

Ms. Brooks –

wbrooks@metscharterschool.org

Wednesday:

No Club Meetings

Thursday:

MS Poetry/Creative Writing

Open: All middle school students

Room: 202

Staff: Multiple English staff

Maker Lab

Open: All students

Room 309

Staff: Mr. Shallcross –

cshallcross@metscharterschool.org

Ms. Aronds –

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National Honors Society

Open: All high school students per nomination/election

Room: 210

Every other Thursday beginning 10/1

Ms. Lopez –

mlopez@metscharterschool.org

Jr. National Honors Society

Open: All middle school students per nomination/election

Room: 210

Every other Thursday

Ms. Sinisi –

tsinisi@metscharterschool.org

Friday:

No Club Meetings

Report Card Distribution, Progress Report, Exam & Grade Dates

MP 1	MP2	MP3	MP4
Progress report- Oct. 9 Exams- Nov.16-20 (Make ups Nov. 23-24) Grades due- Nov. 6 Report card night- Nov. 12	Progress report- Dec. 18 Exams- Jan. 21-27 (Make ups Jan. 28-29) Grades due- Jan. 29 Report card night- Feb. 3	Progress report March 11 Exams- Apr. 7-13 (Make ups Apr. 14-15) Grades due- Apr. 15 Report card night- Apr. 20	Progress report- May 27 Exams- June 15-21 (Make ups June 22-23) Grades due- June 23 Report cards distributed- June 28

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