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6TH GRADE

SUBJECT	Updates for May 24-28
English / Language Arts	<p>Next Week: We will wrap up watching the movie-version of our anchor text, Hidden Figures. We will also be providing time in class for students to complete any redos or missing work!</p> <p>Does your student need to make-up or redo any assessments?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> All students were provided with a slip with each standard and learning target with their current scores. Students can redo or make-up these scores through an assignment in teams called "Redo/Make-Up Activities"
Math	<p>Encourage your student to log into Aleks at least 10 min every day to work on their Quick Tables!</p> <p>Week 18: May 31 – June 3 There is no school on Monday, May 31. Students are released at 12:25 on Thursday, June 3 The rest of the time, we will work on finishing Unit 8: Data sets. Students will learn about averages: mean, median, mode, and range.</p> <p>Please encourage your student to stay engaged, ask questions, and keep an open mind.</p> <p>How is my student doing?? We enter two items in the grade book so families can track progress and engagement.</p> <p>The first item will be warm-up completion. Warm-ups are done daily at the beginning of class. They help guide our work together.</p> <p>The second item will be time completion on Aleks.</p> <p>Your students score, or grade, will be based on their quizzes and tests. Students have multiple opportunities to re-quiz and re-test.</p> <p>Do you have questions? Are you stuck? Need help logging in? Message Mr. Bjork, Ms. Steffensen, or Ms. Dauterive on Teams!</p>
Science	<p>This week the students made models by using Punnett squares to show how genetic traits are passed down to offspring through sexually reproduction.</p>
Global Studies	<p>We have been learning about the Ancient Inca, Maya, and Aztec empires. We learned about what they ate, how they dressed, and some interesting innovations they made that are still around today. Talk with your student about what they learned this unit!</p>

	<p>We hope you have a great summer, and we will see our Hoyt Hawks next fall!</p> <p>If you have any questions, feel free to contact your student's teacher via email, or Microsoft Teams.</p> <p>Whitney.Cavanah@dmschools.org (Gold) Patricia.Guevara@dmschools.org (Red).</p>
P.E.	<p>Red Team- Virtual students need to have ALL PE assignments turned in. Be sure to message me when you turn an assignment in so I can check it and update your grade. In person students will be playing some favorite games for a fun finish of the year!</p> <p>Gold Team- Virtual students should have all PE assignments completed and turned in. When turning in any late assignments, please send me a message with an update so that it can be graded and updated in IC. Students in the gym are going to finish strong with fun activities that we have done each semester. We are almost to the end so lets finish strong.</p>
Art (Groups 2-5)	<p>All work should be completed. Grades will be posted during the last three days of school. Have a wonderful summer!</p>
Business Tech (Groups 1 & 6)	<p>This week and next week: We will continue to work in Topic 4: Coding. We finished up some digital projects in Scratch this week and started working on Code.org. Students will continue to learn more about Sequence, Loops, and Conditionals statements.</p> <p>Make sure you have completed work in all 4 Topics in Canvas before the end of the year. Some of you are missing work from Topics 1-3.</p>
Activities	<p>For students entering 7th Grade that and interested in playing sports, please be mindful that the school nurse MUST have a current physical exam on file before they will be allowed to participate. You can register your student for sports during online registration.</p> <p>Fall Sports seasons may begin prior to the first day of school. Fall sports for 7th Grade students include: Cross Country (boys/girls), Cheerleading, and Volleyball (girls only).</p> <p>Please check the school website for updated sports information. https://hoyt.dmschools.org/athletics/</p>
From the Office	<p>We have scheduled time for Hoyt virtual students to return their laptop, hotspots and any other technology signed out to them.</p> <p>When: Wednesday, June 2nd, 1:00pm - 6:00pm Thursday, June 3rd, 9:30am - 3:30pm</p> <p>Where: Hoyt back parking lot on the west side of the building. Pull up, stay in your car and someone will come to you.</p> <p>What: Items that need returned are: Laptop Chargers All hot spots Laptop bag</p> <p>Any items not returned will result in a charge to your student's account.</p>



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7TH GRADE

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English / Language Arts	This week we worked on missing work. All things were to be turned in on May 28 th . Grades will start to be updated with a final grade being posted on June 3 rd . Please reach out to Mrs. Gates, Ms. Sloan, or Ms. Williams if you have any questions.
Math	<p>Reminder, if you need help outside of class time, the best way to contact your teacher is through the Teams chat feature.</p> <p>This Week (May 24 – 28) This week we finished our learning on our last Target of the year, Topic 8 Target C (<i>Target 8C: Draw inferences about a population using data from a random sample</i>, on Friday). The students took their final quiz on Thursday over this target. Missing work is listed on Infinite Campus and is available for completion on Aleks.com. All quizzes and daily work are open for completion or re-do. Ask your teacher for more assistance or clarification, if needed.</p> <p>* THERE WILL NOT BE AN EXTENSION FOR MAKE-UP WORK THIS SEMESTER.</p>
Science	<p><u>ONE MORE WEEK UNTIL THE LAST DAY!!!</u></p> <p>After we end our project this week, teachers will spend time monitoring and helping students complete make-up work. Missing assignments can be found on Infinite Campus. Lists of these assignments have been sent out recently by teachers to homes. THERE WILL NOT BE AN EXTENSION FOR MAKE-UP WORK THIS SEMESTER. There were a couple weeks added onto the end of last semester for late grades, but that will not be the case. Make sure your student is doing their work promptly as we finish up!</p>
Global Studies	This Week: Students learned about their role in protecting the environment, specifically the power they have as consumers, activists, and citizens. We took an assessment on Thursday, May 27 th .
P.E.	<p>Red Team- Virtual students need to have ALL PE assignments turned in. Be sure to message me when you turn an assignment in so I can check it and update your grade. In person students will be playing some favorite games for a fun finish of the year!</p> <p>Gold Team- Virtual students should have all PE assignments completed and turned in. When turning in any late assignments, please send me a message with an update so that it can be graded and updated in IC. Students in the gym are going to finish strong with fun activities that we have done each semester. We are almost to the end so lets finish strong.</p>
Music (Groups 2-5)	In the last week we will be finishing up music class with some fun extra lessons and games and some time to get caught up on missing work before the end of the year!

	<p>All grades are current in Infinite Campus – if your student’s grade looks concerning, it is only because they are missing work. Please encourage students to check what work they haven’t turned in on Teams. As long as effort is put into assignments and students have turned their work in, they will have a good grade in music!</p> <p>Questions of concerns? Contact Ms. Miedema via email at hannah.miedema@dmschools.org</p>
<p>Business Tech (Groups 1 & 6)</p>	<p>This week and next week: We will continue to work in Topic 3: Coding. We started working on Code.org this week and our theme was Minecraft. We worked on Lessons 10, 13 and 16 in the Express Course. We also had a Minecraft: Education Edition Day. Students will continue to learn more about Loops, Functions, and Conditionals statements.</p> <p>Make sure you have completed work in all 3 Topics in Canvas before the end of the year. Some of you are missing work from Topics 1 and 2.</p>
<p>Activities</p>	<p>For students entering 8th Grade that and interested in playing sports, please be mindful that the school nurse MUST have a current physical exam on file before they will be allowed to participate. You can register your student for sports during online registration.</p> <p>Fall Sports seasons may begin prior to the first day of school. Fall sports for 8th Grade students include: Football, Cross Country (boys/girls), Cheerleading, and Volleyball (girls only).</p> <p>Please check the school website for updated sports information. https://hojt.dmschools.org/athletics/</p>
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8TH GRADE

SUBJECT	Updates for the End of the Year
English / Language Arts	<p>Congratulations to our 8th grade students for showing outstanding growth on the spring District Reading Interim Assessment. Well done! We will be finishing up the school year reading some of our favorite short stories filled with suspense and intrigue: The Tell-Tale Heart, The Hitchhiker radio play, Lamb to the Slaughter and The Monkey's Paw. The last day to submit late work is Thursday, May 28th. All assignments can be found in TEAMS.</p>
Math	<p>See you at promotion on Thursday from 9:30 to 11:00 in the back parking lot.</p> <p>HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!</p>
Science	<p>Students will complete the last unit of 8th grade with a final assessment on Friday 5/28. Next week will be reserved for students who need to make up their work as needed.</p> <p>Have a great summer! Many well wishes in your next adventure 😊</p> <div data-bbox="704 1192 1159 1959" data-label="Image"> <p>The graphic features a black background with white and yellow text. At the top, it says 'Think like a' in white, 'Proton' in large yellow letters, and 'and stay' in white. In the center is a stylized atom with a blue nucleus and three red electrons on white orbits. At the bottom, it says 'Positive' in large yellow letters.</p> </div>

<p>Early U.S. History</p>	<p>This week (May 24-28): Students finished up work on the Civil War unit and completed the last assessment, Target 7 Assessment, on Friday. The assessment is to design a memorial dedicated to something or someone involved in the Civil War.</p> <p>Next week (June 1-3): All History late work is due June 1st. After that day, students will not have access to Canvas, and with grades due on June 3rd, teachers need time to get their grades submitted. And, remember that 8th grade Celebration is June 3rd from 9:30-11am! 8th grade students will not report to classes that day.</p> <p>This has been a difficult year, but it's been such a pleasure to teach such resilient, bright, and hilarious students. We're going to miss them, but we know that they are off to bigger, better things. Have an amazing summer and get ready for high school! 😊</p> <p>As always, if you have a question, feel free to email your teacher: Mr. K: sean.kolodziej@dmschools.org Ms. Peetz: caroline.peetz@dmschools.org</p>
<p>P.E.</p>	<p>Red Team- Virtual students need to have ALL PE assignments turned in. Be sure to message me when you turn an assignment in so I can check it and update your grade. In person students will be playing some favorite games for a fun finish of the year!</p> <p>Gold Team- Virtual students should have all PE assignments completed and turned in. When turning in any late assignments, please send me a message with an update so that it can be graded and updated in IC. Students in the gym are going to finish strong with fun activities that we have done each semester. We are almost to the end so lets finish strong.</p>
<p>Health (Groups 2-5)</p>	<p>Content for Health is completed. Any missing work is due on June 2nd! Thanks and have a great summer!</p>
<p>Business Tech (Groups 1 & 6)</p>	<p>This week and next week: We will continue to work in Topic 6: Coding. We started working on Code.org this week and our theme was Minecraft. We worked on Lessons 10, 13 and 16 in the Express Course. We also had a couple of Minecraft: Education Edition Days. Students will continue to learn more about Loops, Functions, and Conditionals statements until the end of the year.</p> <p>Make sure you have completed work in Topics 1,2, 4 and 6 in Canvas before the end of the year. <i>Topic 3 was optional.</i></p> <p>Topic 5: If you were on the list I shared in class, then please make sure to complete the Kuder Navigator surveys (both of them) by the end of the year for the counselors.</p>
<p>Activities</p>	<p>For students entering 9th Grade that and interested in playing sports:</p> <p>The EAST HS ATHLETIC OFFICE will require an ATHLETICS PASSPORT that will include (registration/physical/participation fee) before students will be allowed to participate. You can register your student for sports during online registration. However, your student should be reaching out to coaches to find out about summer workouts/camps.</p> <p>Fall Sports seasons for high school WILL begin prior to the first day of school.</p>

	<p>Please contact the East Athletics office for more detailed information and to have your questions answered.</p>
<p>From the Office</p>	<p>8th Grade Drive-Through Promotion will take place on Thursday, June 3rd from 9:30-11:00. 8th Graders will NOT have classes on this day.</p> <p>We have scheduled time for Hoyt virtual students to return their laptop, hotspots and any other technology signed out to them.</p> <p>When: Wednesday, June 2nd, 1:00pm - 6:00pm Thursday, June 3rd, 9:30am - 3:30pm</p> <p>Where: Hoyt back parking lot on the west side of the building. Pull up, stay in your car and someone will come to you.</p> <p>What: Items that need returned are: Laptop Chargers All hot spots Laptop bag</p> <p>Any items not returned will result in a charge to your student's account.</p>

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SUPPORT CLASSES & INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

SUBJECT	Updates for May 24-28
Reading Plus	Please keep reading!!!! Enjoy your summer and take time to “unplug” with a good book!
Focused Reading	<p>Lichty – Finishing “Swindle”, Lexia for Word Study</p> <p>Kimmel’s Class: The students have worked hard to get through “The City of Ember” so we are watching the movie that goes with this book. The students will look for differences and similarities and have conversations about those observations.</p> <p>This summer: To help your child with their reading skills, they should practice reading for 10 minute each night. This will help to improve your child's fluency and their comprehension skills. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me. I am happy to help with any concerns.</p>
ELL	Students are wrapping up their learning about culture by comparing school lunches and cell phone etiquette in the US and other countries around the world.
Social Skills	<p>Swett- Coping skills/ positive relationships with peers/staff</p> <p>Lichty – Gratitude, Being Strong and Conflict Resolution</p>
Band	<p>Last day of lessons will be Friday May 28. Students are wrapping up their current level on flipgrid with weeks 8 and 9. Students in the building play for me during lessons and do not need to record to flipgrid. Students online can pay for me virtually or record to fligrd. It is their choice. MAKE UP WORK? Any make up work will be accepted until June 3.</p> <p>I have started collecting school owned instruments. I have/will be in touch with virtual students as to what day and time I will be by their home to pick up. Students in the building will turn in their school owned instrument with me this week. Please contact me with any questions: chad.parker@dmschools.org</p>
Orchestra	<p>Last day of lessons will be Friday May 28. Students are wrapping up their current level on flipgrid with weeks 8 and 9. Students in the building play for me during lessons and do not need to record to flipgrid. Students online can pay for me virtually or record to fligrd. It is their choice. MAKE UP WORK? Any make up work will be accepted until June 3.</p>

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