

7TH GRADE COUGAR UPDATES

November 19th, 2021



With next week cut short due to the Thanksgiving holiday, I hope everyone gets to relax and spend time with family and friends! When our students return on November 29, we will have 3 weeks of instruction before our winter break. Please encourage your child to maintain a solid sleep schedule and stay focused on academics.

The next time you are at Carmel, say hello and introduce yourself to Ms. Velasquez, as she is our new front office secretary. We're thrilled to bring her on board! Ms. Ramirez has transitioned into our Family Advocacy position.

Important Dates

- 11/24-11/26 - Thanksgiving
- 12/16 - Chorus Concert
- 12/20-1/3 - Winter Break
- 12/12- Orchestra & 6th/7th
Grade Band Concert
- 1/17 - Martin Luther King Jr
Day
- 1/18 - Last day to submit Q2 &
Semester 1 assignments
- 1/21 - End of Quarter 2

May 17, 2021

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CURRICULUM UPDATES

Math

7th grade math: Students are finishing up a unit on unit rates and operations with fractions and decimals. After Thanksgiving break, we will begin a unit on real-world percents such as tax, tip, commission, mark-up and discount. Our Unit 4 Assessment over percents will be Friday, December 10th.

7th grade Honors math: Students are finishing up Unit 3: Dilations, Similarity, and Slope. We will begin Unit 4: Linear Relationships after Thanksgiving break where we will focus on slope and y-intercept in context and writing equations of lines in slope-intercept form. Our Unit 4 assessment will be Wednesday, December 15th.

Social Studies

This week our classes have finished up our unit 3 lessons covering, The Age of Enlightenment and Political Revolutions. The students are testing today (Friday) and Monday. After returning from the Thanksgiving Break, we begin exploring the Industrial Revolution. Please continue to monitor you student(s) progress through Canvis and Powerschool. Thank you for your assistance. Have a great holiday break.

Language Arts

We have finished our first unit exploring the creation of epidemiology by investigating the sources of plague, cholera, and typhoid. We're now moving on to exploring social contagions-- understanding how kindness and charity can be "contagious." Throughout December, we will be completing a seminar and an essay based on that topic.

Science

7th grade has just finished up the unit on weather, including a final discussion on air pollution and stewardship. We have just begun our next unit, which is the beginning of our life sciences unit. We are learning about the parts and function of a microscope and the proper way to use one. Students will begin learning about plant and animal cells while looking at examples of each under the microscope, while also learning about the organelles within cells. There will be a cells test before the Christmas break.

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