

WAVE Team Information

Independent Reading: Read two books per quarter. To receive credit, take an AR test or do a Book Talk. AR tests are computer-based and Book Talks are teacher-student conversations. After an AR test/ Book Talk, students must have their Reading Log signed. (Reward: a free homework pass per quarter & an extra reward for reading more than two). Students should read at least 30 min. a day & need a book with them at all times.

Attendance: If a student is absent, upon returning the student should pick up a pink Admit Slip **before school** & collect assignments. If an absence is known ahead of time, students should collect work during EO. Homework should be made up within 2 days.

Bullying: The WAVE team doesn't tolerate bullying whether verbal, non-verbal or physical. Please contact the team if you are aware of any bullying.

Homework: Your child will have homework EVERY night. 30-60 minutes of time should be set aside nightly.

Parent-Portal: a good way for you to stay informed & helps you to have a dialogue with your child about their progress. The e-mail option alerts you of failing grades. We suggest:

- 1) access parent-portal to see what specific score was earned
- 2) ask your child about the score (checking backpacks & notebooks is helpful), then
- 3) if you still do not have the answers you need, please contact the specific teacher

Planners: Each student is given a planner to help with organization. Teachers post daily assignments in a prominent place in their rooms. Students need to write assignments in their planner. At the end of each day, the student should determine what books & materials to take home. Students should place all assignments in the planner.

Hallway Planner Poster Guide: In the hallway across from room A17 there is a weekly poster which shows the short & long term assignments for the week.

Study Hall: Team SH will meet on Tuesday from 3:00-4:00 P.M. There is an Open Lab in the media center on Tuesdays from 4:00-6:00 PM for students if you can't pick your child up at 4:00. If you use the Open Lab you need to enter the media center to pick up your child. We have a study hall contract to commit to the study hall weekly. We'll help your child before or after school on any day providing you make prior arrangements with a team teacher.

ACT EXPLORE Test: Tuesday, October 18th, 2011 students will take a basic battery of tests in core content areas. (National norm reference comparison of same age peers)

State Assessments: Students are tested in Reading & Math in 8th grade. There will be two Early Warning Assessments. EW Test one for math & reading will be given the first weeks of October. State assessments are scheduled for March & April of 2012.

WAVE WEEKLY WEB UPDATE: Each week we place general information about our classes, assessments, & team news on the WRMS website at <http://teacher.usd437.net/wrms/wave>.
Check it out!