

Steger 6th Grade Center - Atlas Address Newsletter March 10, 2020



Important Dates:

Tuesday, March 10 - 7th grade Math Placement Test

Wednesday, March 11- Steger Spring Conferences 3-7pm

Friday, March 13 - Sunday, March 22 - Spring Break



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This week in ELA we are putting final touches on any work not completed in our non-fiction unit. We will be working on some test prep items as we start to approach MAP TESTING time.

Our next unit, *SOCIAL ISSUES BOOK CLUB* will begin after the break.

Please check the portal to be sure your child is all caught up with their work.

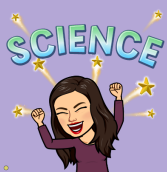
I will not be having an after school help session this week due to conferences.

Last week we worked through understanding the meaning of variables and writing equations and expressions using variables. This week will have a focus on the distributive property using an area model, linear model, and numerical models. The 7th grade EOCE (end of course exam) will be administered on Tuesday in your child's math period. Results will take several weeks as this test (all 300+) is evaluated by the district math coordinator, not the teachers.

Good Afternoon! This week in American History, students will be working in their groups to complete the research for the 1920s Virtual Museum Project. I spend a lot of time talking with kids about how to break the project up into manageable parts. Please check in with your child regarding his or her group's progress. There is work they can be doing at home to help move things along for their group.

The original due date for the project was this Thursday, 3/12. However, I have pushed the due date to Friday, 3/27. After Spring Break, students will have a week to reacclimate to school and the project's completion.

One grade is in the gradebook right now with their Unit 3 test scores to follow. If your child has not completed the flipgrid video assignment for minorities' experiences during World War I, please have them do so at home.



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The prairie burn was a great success! Atlas students were great about following safety rules and watching what was going on. Not only were they able to connect to past learning about increasing biodiversity to make an ecosystem more healthy, they also witnessed what had been the natural process of fire for those organisms that have the adaptations to succeed in a prairie ecosystem.

We started the Evolution By Means of Natural Selection unit that will be completed after spring break. Students are surviving the Human Growth and Development unit! I expect by the end of the week many will say, "That wasn't as bad as I thought", and they will have the knowledge that will keep them safe and healthy.

Mrs. Davis will be returning after spring break! It has been an honor and a privilege to take over while she was gone. Thank you all for your trust and support. Ms. Picker