

HUMANITIES AND COMMUNICATION UPCOUNTY CENTER PROGRAM

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Dear Students and Parents:

We hope that you have a wonderful summer and come back to us in the fall with stories of great adventure and relaxation. In looking forward to our upcoming school year, we would like to explain your summer assignments and introduce you to the Humanities Team 7 teachers.

Sincerely yours,

The Upcounty Humanities Team 7

World Studies

Heather Sneddon [Heather M Sneddon@mcpsmd.org](mailto:Heather_M_Sneddon@mcpsmd.org)

Mrs. Sneddon received a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Maryland. She has been teaching in Montgomery County Public Schools since 2002 and has been teaching at Clemente in the Humanities Program since 2006. Mrs. Sneddon is married to a history teacher who also works in Montgomery County Public Schools. They have one son named Thomas.

There is not a summer assignment for World Studies.

English

Vicki Seed Vicki-E-Seed@mcpsmd.org

Mrs. Seed received a bachelor's degree from Boston University and a master's degree in Gifted Curriculum from National Louis University in Chicago. After teaching in a Magnet program in suburban Chicago, she taught at the Humanities and Communications Magnet at Eastern Middle School for 6 years. She took a two year sabbatical in Hiroshima, Japan before joining our program as the 7th grade Center English teacher.

Read a biography of an American author from the 19th century. A partial list is provided. Feel free to find a different author from this century if you choose. Biographies are available at all Montgomery County Public Libraries. List the historical events which occurred during his/her lifetime. Choose one historical event from your list, research it online and type a one page double-spaced summary of this event. Please turn this in the first week of school.

Emily Dickinson
Kate Chopin
Stephen Crane
Frederick Douglass
W.E.B. DuBois
Paul Laurence Dunbar
Ralph Waldo Emerson
Brett Harte

Nathaniel Hawthorne
Oliver Wendell Holmes
Herman Melville
Edgar Allan Poe
Harriet Beecher Stowe
Henry David Thoreau
Mark Twain
Walt Whitman

Media Production

Mrs. Lisa Wroblewski Lisa.Wroblewski@mcpsmd.org

Lisa Wroblewski earned her master's degree in Education from the University of Arizona. Although she began her career in New York, Mrs. 'Ski' has been teaching media literacy and television production in Maryland since 1989. She piloted the 6th grade Media Production curriculum at the Eastern Humanities and Communication Magnet Program in 1995. She is also a 2001 Fellow of the Maryland Technology Academy.

Mrs. 'Ski' has provided educational opportunities for her students outside of the classroom. From Toshiba's *ExploraVision* event to Zoog Disney's *Z-Games*, Mrs. 'Ski' has used her experience as an associate producer to bring innovative and exciting curriculum ideas to our program. A candidate for the Agnes Meyer's Teaching Award and a three time nominee for the Disney American Teacher of the Year Award, Mrs. 'Ski' is an advocate of hands-on, process oriented, product based education.

There is not a summer assignment for Media Production.

Your math teachers have also asked you to keep your math skills fresh over the summer. Please download the summer packet from the Clemente web site at www.robertoclementems.org based on your math class placement for next year.

Two marble composition or spiral books would be helpful for the upcoming year.

