



**Weekly Parent Update for 6th Grade**

**Week of: April 15-19, 2024**

Greetings Families: Below you will find topics and assessments/projects in each content area from the week, as well as some important dates that you should be aware of. Smaller daily assignments may be assigned and communicated to students, during class or on myMCPS classroom.

**This is a reminder that Outdoor Education permission slip packets went home last week. They are due May 1st. If you cannot locate your child's copy, it is all posted on the NBMS website. Please email Jennifer Byrd at [jennifer\\_a\\_byrd@mcpsmd.org](mailto:jennifer_a_byrd@mcpsmd.org) with any questions. Thank you.**

**Dates:**

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	English							
Course Name	<b>Advanced English 6</b> <a href="#">Academic Vocabulary Q1-4 Linked</a>				<b>Read 180</b> <a href="#">Academic Vocabulary Q1-4</a>	<a href="#">Dig. Lit. ~ Creative Writing</a>	<b>Academic Literacy</b>	<b>Greek Mythology</b>
Teacher Name	<b>Ghaman</b>	<b>Morrison</b>	<b>Daley</b>	<b>Byrd</b>	<b>Smith</b>	<b>Smith/Byrd</b>	<b>Hill</b>	<b>Hill</b>



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Topic	Students are reading the in-class novel, The Best At It, as they gather textual evidence to prove the book has educational value. This is in preparation for their out-of-class work as they do the same for their Independent Reading Novel.	Organizing a draft for an informative essay.	Final draft for historical essay.		
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	<b>English Language Development</b>		
Course Name	<b>English 6 for ELs 1</b>	<b>English 6 for ELs 2</b>	<b>English 6 for ELs 3</b>
Teacher Name	<b>Francis</b>		
Topics Covered	Using Grammar In Context Simple Past Affirmative and Negative Irregular Verbs	Using Grammar In Context Simple Past Affirmative and Negative Irregular Verbs	Introduce Malala Text Excerpt Build Background and Vocabulary Text Questions - Inference and Textual Evidence

	<b>Math</b>			
Course Name	<a href="#"><u>Math 180</u></a>	<b>Math 6</b>	<a href="#"><u>AMP6+</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>AIM6/AMP7+</u></a>



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Teacher Name	<b>Cacho</b>	<b>Reina</b>	<b>Watkins</b>	<b>Simoncic</b>	<b>Simoncic</b>	<b>Leffler</b>	<b>Reina</b>	<b>Perlson</b>
Topic		This week we working on the distributive property. We have our Unit 6 Test on Friday.		This week, students continued adding and subtracting integers.	This week, students calculated the volume of cylinders, cones, and spheres.			

Course Name	<b>Science</b>							
Teacher Name	<b>Lutchenkov</b>			<b>Sadeghi</b>			<b>Sandford</b>	
Topic	Students are studying minerals, rock types & the rock cycle.							

	<b>Social Studies <a href="#">Academic Vocabulary</a></b>							
Course Name	<b>World Studies</b>				<b>Global Humanities</b>			
Teacher Name	<b>Haag</b>	<b>Jasti Currie</b>	<b>Steimer</b>	<b>Steimer</b>				
Topic	Students examined the ways Rome's Republic evolved through the Conflict of Orders.				Students are working in groups to write evidence-based essays using secondary and primary sources to support a Yelp Rating of the Roman Republic and whether it met the common good.			



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	<b>World Languages</b>			
Course Name	<b>Spanish FY 1A</b>			<b>French FY 1A</b>
Teacher Name	<b>Bonatesta</b>	<b>Ranaweera</b>	<b>Puleo</b>	<b>Bonatesta</b>
Topic	Students are using possessive adjectives to discuss family relationships			Adjective agreement

	<b>Health and Physical Education</b>	
Course Name	<b>Health</b>	<b><u>PE</u></b>
Topic		Box Soccer, Handball, Soccer, FourSquare

	<b>Electives</b>		
Course Name	<b>Art <u>Vocabulary</u></b>	<b><u>Engineering Design &amp; Modeling</u></b>	<b><u>Coding 6</u></b>
Teacher Name	<b>Stentz</b>	<b>Paul-Philips</b>	<b>Tin</b>
Topic		Engineering Design- Design and create swings made out of straws	



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	<b>Music Electives</b>		
Course Name	<b>Chorus</b>	<b>Orchestra</b>	<b>Band</b>
Teacher Name	<b>McFeaters</b>	<b>Hepburn</b>	<b>Hepburn</b>
Topic		Playing Assessment 4/19 Peace Like A River	Playing Assessment 4/19 Standard of Excellence Pages 18 - 19

**SSL (Student Service Learning) Opportunities**

[Nonprofit-Hosted SSL Opportunities](#)

(bit.ly/SSLOpportunities) - Find approved SSL opportunities

[Nonprofit-Hosted Virtual/Remote SSL Opportunities](#)

(bit.ly/VirtualSSL2020) - Find approved virtual/remote SSL opportunities

[Monthly SSL Opportunities](#)

(bit.ly/SSLOpps23-24)

See highlighted SSL opportunities for each month



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### [SSL Program Overview Slideshow](#)

(bit.ly/SSLOverview2020) - Learn key information about the SSL program

### [SSL Interactive/Live Flowchart](#)

(bit.ly/SSLLiveFlowchart) - Walk through the steps of the SSL process (interactive!)

### [SSL Flowchart](#)

(bit.ly/SSLFlowchart) - One-page flowchart of each step of the SSL process

### [Introduction to SSL Handout with Flowchart](#)

One-sheet introduction to SSL program

## SSL (Student Service Learning)

Please use [Carla.A.Jurewicz@mcpsmd.net](mailto:Carla.A.Jurewicz@mcpsmd.net) for emails concerning SSL. Ms. Jurewicz likes to keep her [@mcpsmd.org](https://www.mcpsmd.org) dedicated to her duty day responsibilities which include special education case management, teaching Resource classes, and co-teaching English 6 and Science 6.

[SSL Information and FAQ flyer](#); hard copies are available in the Counseling Office, and your student should have received one in homeroom during the first week of school.

For SSL forms, guidelines, resources, and much more click on the MCPS SSL Hub => <https://bit.ly/SSLHubMCPS>



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Step-by-step directions for checking SSL hours => <https://bit.ly/SSLonVUE>

### SYSTEMWIDE STUDENT DOCUMENTATION TIMELINE

Time Frame of Service	Documentation Due Date
Service completed during the summer	September 29, 2023
Service completed during the summer and 1st semester	January 5, 2024
Documentation that qualifies middle school students for the Superintendent's SSL Award. This award is given to middle school students who meet the 75-hour high school graduation requirement during middle school and is only awarded once.	<b>April 5, 2024*</b>
Service completed during the summer, 1st semester, and 2nd semester	<b>May 31, 2024*</b>



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\*\*All SSL Forms for service completed after June 1, 2023, through the end of the 2023-2024 school year, are REQUIRED to be submitted to the school SSL Coordinator no later than May 31, 2024



\*\*\*Students and adults please join the NBMS SSL MyMCPS Classroom to receive SSL information specific to NBMS. **Link => <https://mcpsmd.instructure.com/enroll/FC6DG7>** \*\*\*  
Please share this link with students, family, and friends.

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