Welcome to the Adams Specialist Teacher’s Newsletter

Hello Adams Families!

Welcome to a whole new approach to teaching and learning. This year we wanted to have clear and consistent communication with you in a more streamlined manner.

Our plan is to have this publication sent to you twice a month. Here, you will find information from our Adams Teaching Specialists:

- Librarian - Mr. Oswald
- Art Teacher - Mr. Allard
- Music Teacher - Mr. Harter
- Physical Education Teacher - Mr. Faucette

Learning Expectations

Each of us will supportively hold our students to the same learning expectations as our classroom teacher colleagues.

When joining a meeting on our Microsoft Teams platform:
* Enter with your mic off and video on
* Find a quiet place to work with good lighting and needed materials at the ready
* Have all other devices (phones, televisions, video games, etc.) off and put away from the learning area
* Food should be consumed either before or after class.
* Be ready to participate with a good attitude and a kind heart.

If there are further individual expectations, the specialist teacher will communicate those with you. If you have any questions or concerns regarding our programs, please reach out to us through our email addresses found in our sections of this newsletter.

We will see your children every other week in a Teams Meeting. This is called a Synchronous learning opportunity. Between these times your child will have independent activities to complete. This is called an Asynchronous learning opportunity. These lessons can be found on either the See Saw or Schoology platforms. We will communicate the location with your child.
Library News from Mr. Oswald
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Curbside checkout begins on Tuesday 9/29. Students can check out books and pick up holds every Tuesday and Thursday from 12:00 - 3:00. Students can browse the library catalog and place holds by clicking on the library catalog app on Clever. Please wear a mask and maintain social distancing expectations.

Art Room Creations with Mr. Allard
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It has been great to meet and greet students again. We will be working on the Elements of Art and the Principles of Design this year. This is happening through children's literature, warm-up and practice activities, as well as projects. We have begun the year learning about the Element of Line.

Music Musings with Mr. Harter
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In music class I am still meeting with classes for the first time; doing introductions, problem solving tech issues, going over class expectations, doing some muted singing, and introducing/reviewing rhythms.

P.E. Ponderings with Mr. Faucette
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So far in gym we have gone over rules and expectations as well as where students can find assignments for asynchronous work on Seesaw and Schoology. Our goal and plan of online physical education is to get students moving during the days that I see them through exercise, games and activities they can do from the comfort of their home. The goal and plan of asynchronous work is to educate on the different components of fitness as well as get them moving through exercise/games/activities that can be accomplished either alone or with family. I am compiling a list of “equipment” that will help enrich our time together on the days we meet, simple things such as paper plates, plastic cups, cottonballs and other items that may be used creatively to keep things interesting! Looking forward to having fun in this new season of online PE!
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