CMAS Preparation

As our building prepares for CMAS assessments, here are some tips that you can discuss with your student at home. Learning now how your student handles a stressful situation will help in other areas of life. Encourage your student to prepare himself/herself in advance to alleviate some of the anxiety.

**How students can prepare for testing:**

1. Get a good night’s sleep prior to each day of testing.
2. Eat a healthy breakfast in the morning.
3. Do your best; a positive attitude can relax you.

**How parents can assist in testing preparation:**

1. Try to not schedule any appointments during school that week.
2. Encourage your student to go to bed at an appropriate time.
3. Ask your student about the assessments; talking about these exams will make them seem more familiar.

**Congratulations**

We are excited that two of our teachers, **Amy Pasch and Justin Muir**, are recipients of the 2018-2019 Thompson Education Foundation (TEF) grants. Both teachers will receive a **Windows on the World** grant to implement innovative ideas to drive the curriculum in their classrooms. We look forward to seeing this work in both of their classrooms next year!

**Brandy Grieves**
**Principal**
Congratulations to the March Students of the Month

The following students have been chosen by staff members as individuals who consistently demonstrate the characteristics of being a TMS PRO – Prepared, Respectful, and Ownership. Their hard work and dedication to their education is to be commended.

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Tune in next month for the April TMS Students of the Month!

Healthy Kids Club
2018 Healthy Kids Run Series & Fit.Teen Run Series

Registration is now open for the upcoming run series! We would love to see many Thompson School District families participate. The full list of runs and additional details can be found on the Healthy Kids Club Run Series website.

This year, we’re trying a stream-lined online registration process and encourage families to register by April 15th (the earlier, the better!).

Please use the following links to register:
Healthy Kids Run Series (ages 5–12)
Fit.Teen Run Series (ages 13–18)

New this year - adults can join in on the fun! You can register up to 2 adults for the Healthy Kids Run Series and each adult will receive a punch card and can earn a Run Series t-shirt for completing three or more runs with your kids.

Once registered, participants will receive a confirmation e-mail (please check your Junk or Spam folder) that you should keep for your records. We will communicate throughout the spring and summer via e-mail and Healthy Kids Club’s Facebook page (@healthykidsclub) with details about each race in our series.

If you have any questions, contact Kris Ayers at kris.ayers@uchealth.org.

Every story needs a bad guy. In this one, he happens to be a vampire. But this play is not about witchcraft, dark arts, voodoo or black magic. In fact, quite the opposite. It’s about belonging and being true to who you are.

Come and see the TMS Drama production of “Thirst for Life”, on Friday, April 27th at 7:00 pm and Saturday, April 28th at 1:00 pm. Admission is $3.

Larimer County Sheriff’s Office and Berthoud School Resource Officers will be presenting “Drugs in Our Schools, a SRO’s View” on Monday April 23 from 6-8:30 at Berthoud High School.

They will be addressing vape/juul, marijuana/wax, alcohol and prescription abuse and what we are seeing in middle and high schools. Drug paraphernalia items will be on-hand to make parents aware of what to look for.

Everyone is encouraged and welcome to come.
GT News....... 

Gifted and Talented 7th graders used the Design Process to make homemade soap that will be available for sale the TMS Showcase evening. Pick up a bar or two to support the GT program. 

6th Grade GT students created crafts and taught community children to make them during the Christmas in Berthoud. Over the past three years, Turner GT has raised over $600 for Christmas in Berthoud. 

Seven of our students participated in the Photography Workshop. Their work will be on exhibit starting April 2 at ArtWorks in Loveland. Flyer is attached to newsletter. 

Thompson Education Foundation Awards Two Windows on the World (WOW) Travel Grants 

Thompson Education Foundation (TEF) is celebrating the second year of awarding Windows on the World (WOW) Travel Grants to Thompson School District teachers. The WOW Travel Grant provides a teacher with $3,500 to complete an educational travel experience to a domestic or international destination. The grant is intended to allow the teacher to experience a learning opportunity in another country or culture and to bring their new knowledge back to students and other educators in the district. Travel must be completed over the summer break. 

Justin Muir, 7th Grade Social Studies 

Muir will travel to Italy to walk in the footsteps of ancient history by visiting Venice, Pisa, Florence, Assisi, Rome and Pompeii. He says: “While the ability to read and watch documentaries about a culture can give me an idea of how it functions, the ability to immerse myself in that culture and touch history would allow me to better convey those ideas to students.” 

Amy Pasch, 6th Grade Math/Social Studies 

Pasch will spend time studying the culture, climate and history of the Canadian Atlantic Provinces of Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Quebec, and Ontario. In addition, she will tour several Canadian national parks to better inform the curriculum for her Core Extension Project Based Learning class that is focused on national parks in the United Sates. Pasch says: “I believe that teachers and students who can experience things first-hand and share with others is much more powerful than reading something out of a textbook or watching a video produced by someone you don’t know.”
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