Summer 2023 Preparation Work

There are three components of summer preparation: **ELA**, **Math**, and **Practical Life**. Review this document and follow the **directions for each component**.

ELA

Directions: This summer, you will read two books and complete accompanying activities (below) for each. All of these books can be found through any bookstore/library, Amazon, Audible, or Sora.

Book 1: Holes by Louis Sachar

- Read the novel, Holes.
 (To access a digital or audiobook copy, <u>click here.</u>)
- **2.** Choose one character from this book.
- 3. Write a 3-paragraph Character Analysis of this character using the directions to the right →

- Three quotes (with page numbers) to support your claims.
- Who is this character?
 - Where are they from? What character traits describe them?
 What are their strengths and weaknesses?
- How is this character involved in the plot of the story?
- What is their role and how did they get involved in it? Why are they important to the story?
- What is their relationship with other characters in the story?
 - How do other characters view them/how do they view others?
 Are there conflicts between your character and others?
- How might readers view this character?
- Does this character have any traits that many people could identify with or might admire? Or would people generally think this character is not admirable?

Book 2: Choice Novel (from the list below)

Choose and read a book from this list:

- **Ghost** by Jayson Reynolds
- The Hobbit by J.R.R Tolkien
- All Thirteen by Christina Soontornvat
- New Kid by Jerry Craft
- Harbor Me by Jacqueline Woodson

Prepare to do the following when you return to school:

- 1. Small group discussions about big ideas
- 2. Quiz about the book you chose
 - (you will not be quizzed on other books)

MATH

Directions: This summer you should be practicing your math skills for at least 60 minutes per week, (more is always ok too). Choose the option that works best for you. There are a few suggestions below, so do what fits you best.

*****FYI**: The Khan Get Ready Series is available for grades 3 through High School level Math. It's a great resource for anyone interested in brushing up on or preparing their math skills for the next school year!

Rising 7th Grade:

Khan Academy Get Ready for 7th Grade **OR** Get Ready for Algebra

- https://www.khanacademy.org/math/get-ready-for-7th-grade
- https://www.khanacademy.org/math/get-ready-for-algebra-i

Rising 8th Grade:

Khan Academy Get Ready for 8th Grade **OR** Get Ready for Algebra

- https://www.khanacademy.org/math/get-ready-for-8th-grade
- https://www.khanacademy.org/math/get-ready-for-algebra-i

Rising Geometry:

Khan Academy Get Ready for Geometry

https://www.khanacademv.org/math/get-ready-for-geometry

PRACTICAL LIFE

Directions: Complete as many of the practical life tasks from the choice board below as you can this summer!

Cook a Meal Start with a budget from your parent/guardian, plan out a meal, shop for the ingredients, and then cook that meal for your family.	Laundry for a Week Take over laundry responsibilities for your family for at least a week. Learn how to care for different types of fabrics, treat stains, and how to properly wash/dry/fold all laundry.	Community Service Find a way to give back to your community. You may choose to volunteer for an organization, or develop your own idea with a parent or guardian.
Learn to Repair Learn to repair something used in your daily life. Ideas might include a leaky	Develop a Hobby Try to discover a new (non-electronic) hobby or activity that brings you	Learn a Skill Identify a skill that you want to develop as you head into adulthood. Parents or
faucet, a missing button on clothing, a flat tire, or something else. Reflection Journal	peace/happiness/fulfillment. Plan a Career	guardians may have ideas for you. Work to learn or develop that skill. Money/Pizza/Chick Fil-A
Keep a daily journal of decisions you make each day and reflect upon how each decision impacted your day.	Think about what type of career you may want to have some day. Research your chosen career, including what you would be doing each day, where you might be living, and what sort of training that career requires.	Almost every math concept can be described or explained using examples of money, pizza, or Chick-Fil-A. Choose to engage in one activity per week involving mental math, use of cash, or any other real-world mathematical application.

Happy Summer! Can't wait to see you all in the fall!

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