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NEWSLETTER

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BUSINESS TECHNOLOGY NEWS...

Business Technology students are off to a great start. Students received their class syllabus and remind invites in class this past week. Student syllabus and Remind Invites can also be accessed from my teacher webpage. Parents please go to my teacher webpage from the DMS School website to sign-up for Remind.

Additionally students completed their first graded assignment this week entitled "Rule, Procedures, & Consequences. Next week students will explore the concepts of networking

and the LAN environment. Students will learn that their computer classroom is a LAN(Local Area Network) and discuss the characteristics of a LAN. Students will create their class folder and subfolders in their personal directory . Students will create and set-up their Keyboarding accounts as well. This year's keyboarding program will be web-based to allow students additional practice and reinforcement at home. Students will

be provided with a weekly keyboarding progression log and a technique checklist. Both of these items will account for your students weekly keyboarding grade.



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MARKETING NEWS...

All marketing students will evaluate marketing ad campaigns targeting the teen market. They will view domestic and international ads. Students will compare and contrast different

promotional activities.. The students will create signage for the Dutchtown Middle School Fall Carnival.



Special points of interest:

- SLO(Student Learning Objectives): Pre-Test the week August 17th
- Back to School Carnival: Friday, August 28th...
- Curriculum Night, : Thursday, September 3rd (6:00-8:00pm)

ART NEWS...

Visual Art Students will explore the concept of "What is Art" next week and will devote time in class to create their Art Portfolios. At the end of the semester students will bring their Art Portfolios home to parents. Parents are often amazed at the creativity and various Art concepts learned over the course of the semester by their student.



BAND NEWS...

7th and 8th grade students are back in action with playing and progressing to more challenging music and activities. We are learning new scales, notes, rhythms, and having our first playing test next week.

6th grade students are learning how to read and count rhythms in various time signatures. We

are also learning Treble and Bass clef notes. Additionally students are starting to incorporate rhythms and note names to create music. Our first quiz is next week.



ENGINEERING & AUDIO VISUAL PRODUCTION NEWS...

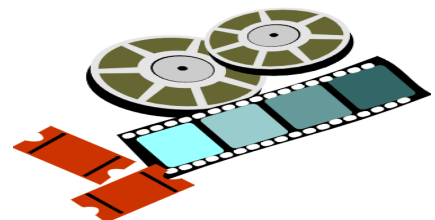
In Technology Education, we are reviewing classroom procedures and expectations. We will begin learning about work ethic next week. Student Learning



Objectives assessment will be given during the week of August 17. We will also incorporate career opportunities into work ethic.

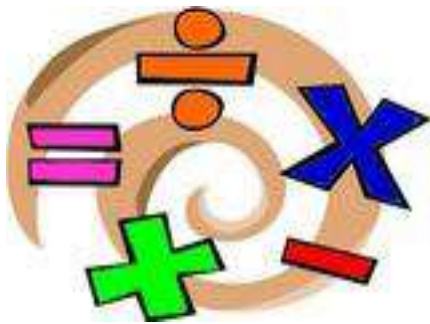
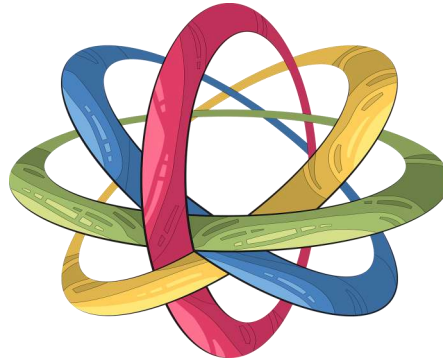
In Audio Visual Production class, we will begin discussing the history of media. Students will continue to be working on their "All About Me" project. Students should be

creative when it comes to the project.



STEM/MATH NEWS...

In the STEM connections course students will be completing minor projects to familiarize themselves with the 4 C's of STEM: collaboration, creativity, communication, and critical thinking.



In the Excel MathConnections course students will be delving deeper into an exciting new program called ST Math. Students are preparing to take a diagnostic assessment which will determine their pathway for the course.

SPANISH & SPANISH-I NEWS...

6th and 7th grade Spanish students be introduced to basic Spanish greetings and expressions of courtesy in both oral and written form. Additionally, students will begin a research project (Remember BYOT Thursday for A and Friday for B) about Spanish Speaking countries, their capitals, flag, location, population, religion, other languages spoken, tourism, politics, famous food, people, and culture. Students will be assigned to a group and the countries will be assigned at random. They will work and prepare their presentations in class. The presentations will start next Monday (August 17th).

In Spanish I (Advanced), 8th grade students will be reviewing greetings, farewells, and expressions of courtesy in both oral and written form. Spanish-I students will also have complete research project presentations (Remember BYOT Thursday for A and Friday for B) about Spanish Speaking countries. Students will be travel agents planning

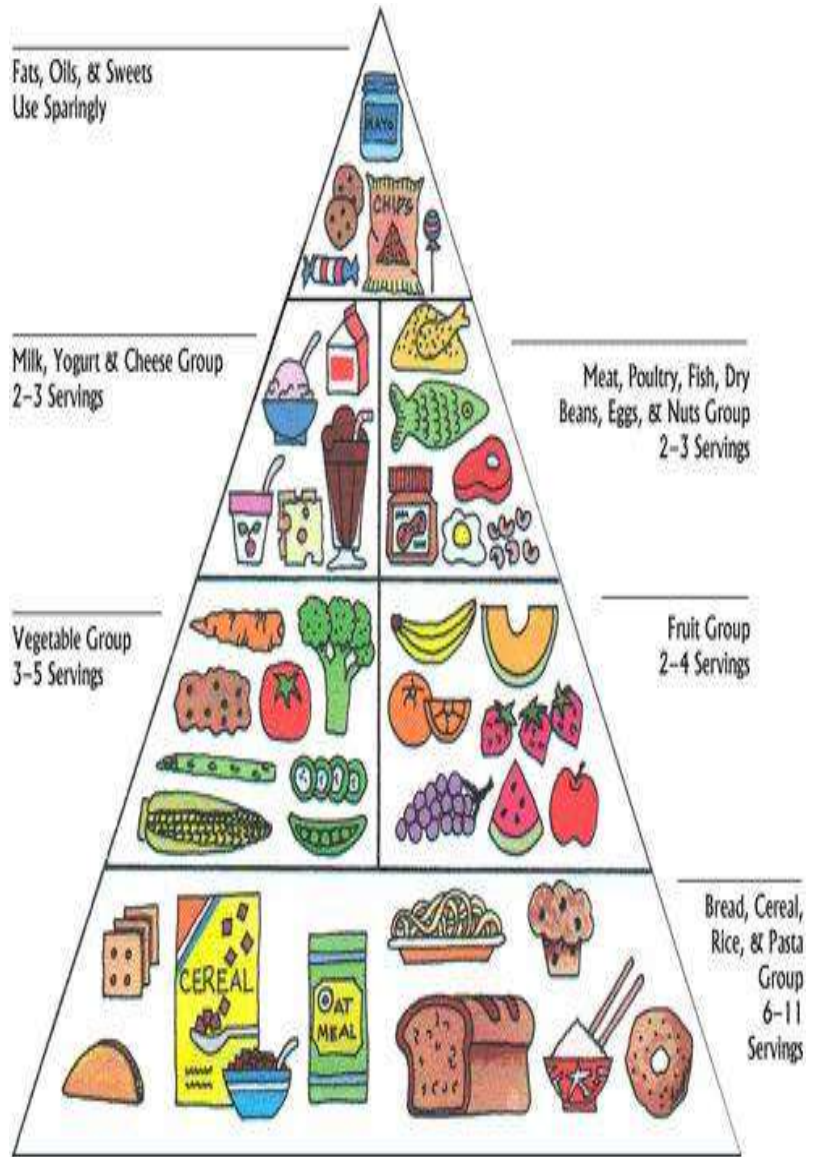
to persuade the rest of the class to choose their country as the best travel destination based on their research. Students will be assigned to a group and the countries will be assigned at random. They will work and prepare their presentations in class. The presentations will start next Monday (August 17th).

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HEALTH NEWS...

7th & 8th grade health students will learn what they can do to protect their own safety, to protect and aid others, and contribute to the safety of the environment.

6th grade health students will also learn about safety as it relates to home and in the community. Students will explore what to do in case of emergency situations. Lastly, students will learn ways to protect their environment and the importance of recycling.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS...

All physical education students will start Fitness Gram testing next week. The fitness gram is comprised of a series of health related fitness test. Students will be assessed in the areas of aerobic capacity, flexibility, muscular strength & endurance and body composition. Parents and students will receive a fitness gram report that will suggest areas for improvement when appropriate.