

**Welcome to 8th grade
OPEN HOUSE!**

8th Grade Team

Ms. Peters-ELA

Mrs. Woods-Math

Ms. Boulukos-Science

Mr. Mahoney-Social Studies

Mrs. Curtin-Special Education

**Mrs. Buenger-8th Grade
Paraprofessional**

**Katie Theoharopoulos- 8th Grade
Instructional Teacher**

Mr. Maholland-Art

Mr. Breyne-PE

Mrs. Stepaniuk-PE

Ms. Weaver-Music

Mr. Marinello - STEM

Some 8th Grade Information

All students have been given access to a digital Assignment Notebook to keep track of their homework/daily assignments.

All teachers have a teacher website: Weebly, Planbook, Google Classroom. Students have daily access to these pages and are expected to check these regularly.

Students have been informed that they should contact their teachers whenever they have any questions or concerns.

Student Accountability

Items we are prioritizing and have discussed with the students:

- Charge iPads every night.
- Check teacher websites regularly. Homework needs to be turned in on time and be prepared for class.
- Be on time to school and to all classes.
- Dress code
- Behavior (respecting other students and teachers and respecting classroom rules)

SOCIAL STUDIES

-MahoneyIJHS.weebly.com

- Middle East History/Breadwinner
- Civil War-Cold War
- Economics

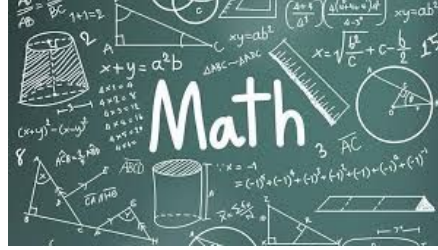
8th grade Final Exam May 24th

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ELA

- All assignments, handouts, homework, and videos are posted on your child's Google Classroom
- All homework assignments and papers may be submitted through Google Classroom or handed-in directly to me.
- If students need help with their homework or study tips, please reach out to before the assignment is due.
- All students are required to train on Membean for a minimum of 40 minutes a week at 70% accuracy for a "3" and 60 minutes at 80% accuracy for a "4."
- Students need to take notes on words they missed on Membean in their Membean Notebook.
- All students are required to independently read: Honors four (5) books = 4
Regular Education students (4)books = 4.



- We use Carnegie as our main resource to teach the math standards.
- All assignments and due dates will be listed on Google Classroom. Make sure to submit all assignments to Google Classroom.
- Work must be shown for problems to get credit for the assignments.
- Most assignments are due the next day.
- Carnegie will be used for the majority of assignments. We will be using the MATHbook for whole group and partner learning. Mathia is the online program through Carnegie that is done independently. Students can always email me with questions!
- Students can always practice skills on IXL if they finish their homework and are looking for extra help or pick new skills to challenge themselves!

COMMUNICATION:

- **EMAIL**
- **WEBSITE:** boulukosijhs.weebly.com Important links
- **Planbook** - daily class activities and homework (in yellow)
- **Google Classroom** for sharing some documents - hard copies given as well

STANDARDS:

Next Generation Science Standards

Science and Engineering Practices and
Disciplinary Core Ideas

MEDITATION
for 4 minutes to
start each class

**ENVIRONMENTAL
AND OUTDOOR
ADVENTURE CLUB**

**TRIP TO STARVED
ROCK
SUNDAY,
SEPTEMBER 18TH
7:30-4:00**

MATERIALS:

- folder/binder for storage
- NOTEBOOK - cannot be lost
- Paper - graph is best, but any kind will do!
- Coloring supplies
- pen/pencil

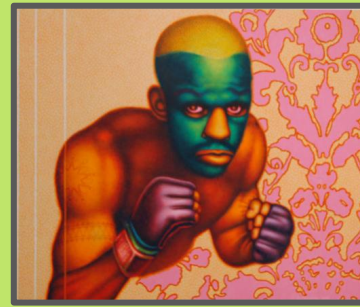
Units of Study (OpenSciEd):

1. Contact Forces
 2. Sound Waves
 3. Forces at a Distance
- More to follow!

8TH GRADE ART

MR. MAHOLLAND

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“IDEAS & TECHNIQUES”

We will be looking at more modern and contemporary art this year, as a basis for our projects.

UNITS

- **Art Critique**--Learn to analyze works of art.
- **Chuck Close**--Use a grid system to reproduce a photorealistic image.
- **Ceramics**--Create an original sculpture out of clay.
- **Street Art**--Design a digital image inspired by the work of contemporary street artists.
- **Painting Techniques**--Choose an artist or art movement as inspiration for an original painting.

STANDARDS

- **Creating (Process)**--Demonstrate willingness to experiment, try new things, and make good use of class time.
- **Creating (Product)**--Reflect on and revise work accordingly.
- **Responding**--Create a convincing argument to evaluate a piece of artwork.

MATERIALS

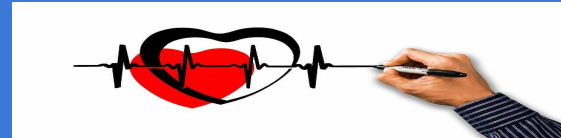
- **Sketchbook, Pencils, Stylus, Headphones, Coloring Supplies**

Physical Education

Corey Breyne **and** Paula Stepaniuk

What to bring

- Appropriate participation clothing and shoes (no boots, dress shoes, or sandals...)
- Water bottle
- Ipad when necessary
- Units and fitness days
 - Heart rate monitors
 - Polar HR monitors
 - Team sports, personal and team fitness,
 - Cardio and Character "Cash" Rewards
 - Class cash reward incentives for positive actions



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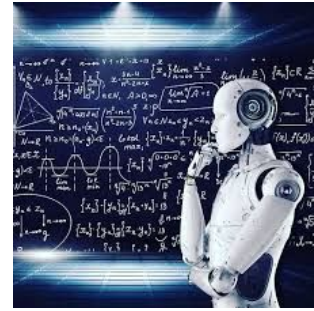
SCIENCE OF TECHNOLOGY

- **INTRO/REVIEW DESIGN PROCESS**
- **APPLIED CHEMISTRY**
- **APPLIED PHYSICS**
- **NANOTECHNOLOGY TESTING**
- **CODING**
- **3D PRINTING /CAD DESIGN**



RESOURCES

- **PLTW WEBSITE**
- **GOOGLE CLASSROOM**
- **SCIENCE NEWS FOR STUDENTS**



MATERIALS

- **GRAPH PAPER NOTEBOOK**
- **PENCILS AND PENS**
- **CHARGED IPAD**





8TH GRADE MUSIC

All 8th grade students take music class for 1 trimester

Topics covered throughout the trimester

- ★ Music theory (rhythm, note names, time signatures, etc.)
- ★ Music technology (with a focus on creating music in GarageBand)
- ★ Western classical music
- ★ Musical ensembles around the world
- ★ Hip Hop music

Materials needed for class

- ★ iPad
- ★ Folder
- ★ Headphones

Standards

- ★ **MU. PF: Music Performance** and **MU.LR: Music Literacy** (broken down into 3 standards each)

*Extracurricular choir will start in 2 weeks and the musical will take place in the spring. More details to come!

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THANK YOU
for attending!
Questions?