5th/6th Grade Classes:

Yearbook Announcement:

Calling for photos

The theme of this year's yearbook is Overcoming Challenges and one of the biggest challenges was starting the year with Distance Learning.

If you have photos of students learning anything - school or not - at home during August, September, and October please send them in with a blurb or caption about what was being learned or what challenge to learning was being overcome.

If you took a picture of your son or daughter's first day of school (way back in August), we would love to include those in the yearbook also.

Please send photos to dcsyearbook@tracylc.net

More information to come about 8th grade dedications, cap and gown photos, ordering a yearbook and all to come.

Attention all 6th Grade Parents

Please remember it is now time to schedule your 6th grader's TDAP Vaccine. This is the required booster for Pertussis (Whooping Cough) and is a government mandated vaccine to enter 7th Grade. Without a record of this vaccine, your student may not enter 7th grade. Thank you.

Social Studies with Mr. Bird:

Students in social studies are working on a snapshot autobiography project. This project highlights four events that are important to the student (e.g., a memorable family vacation, meeting a new friend, an injury, a special celebration, or their first day of

school). They are to write a brief description about the event and include an illustration. Online students have the option to complete this using Google Slides or on paper like we are doing in the classroom. The next part of this project is to interview a person about one of the events and note the similarities and differences between the two descriptions of the same event.

Science with Ms. Diaz

Greetings Scientists!

This week: Our ecosystems projects continue and are halfway through. This Friday is our third week of data collection.

Next week: We learn about Natural Selection.

Math with Mrs.Zuniga

friday's attendance question does go in the gradebook
Recording of my lessons are posted in google classroom.

<u>Varsity</u>: We will be focusing on dividing fractions for the next week. Online students will be continuing to master skills that they have learned previously.

Scholastic: We will be reviewing multiplying and dividing fractions for this week before taking a unit test on Thursday.

<u>Honors</u>: We will be continuing our last 2 lessons on geometry for the week and then have our unit 4 test the following week after review and practice.

Math with Mrs. Nijjar

Varsity, Scholastic, and Honors: All my classes completed the state testing. In the coming weeks, we will be moving on with unit-6. Varsity and scholastic students will be learning about multiplying and dividing fractions. My Honors

students completed the unit-6 test and are looking forward to starting with the new unit.

Language Arts with Mr. Harding

With testing over, we are in the home stretch to summer. We will finish our Fantasy novel, *The Girl Who Drank the Moon*, finish one last creative project, and close the book on the 2020 -2021 school year.

June will be a month to adjust and prepare for the 2021 - 2022 School year. Teachers and students alike need an adjustment period to "regular" classrooms. I look forward to making learning hands-on and fun again as we give the computers a respite.

Language Arts with Ms. Rodieck

Only 4 weeks of school left!! And I am so excited to be all in-person. Scholastic and Honors will be finishing The Girl Who Drank the Moon and creating their own film production company for some final projects related to the book - like 'script a scene.' Varsity students will continue to read a variety of fables, fairy tales, and tall tales as they get ready to write their own and perform it for the class. We might even make puppets. All in-person students will be doing other activities in the classroom WITHOUT a computer - it is going to be so GREAT to be interactive.



Asynchronous students will complete similar assignments on-line and submit them. I will be available on Fridays to answer questions on Zoom. They can send questions via email during the week and I will try to answer them in a timely manner (but understand, even I am not tied to my computer for the next 4 weeks and may not see the emails until my preps).

Technology with Ms. Ferguson

All of the Technology classes just finished and turned in their e-portfolio Google Websites that they have developed and published themselves! Over the next week the students both online and in person will be presenting their websites to their

classmates. Next week is week 11 of 14 for their trimester in Technology, the students will be moving on to their next electives soon!





Physical Education:

DCS PE will be back on campus, next week & we can't wait!!!:) We will be continuing our New Units: Coach P. "Spikeball, Coach Levand "Frisbee Golf" & Coach Williams "Ramp Shop," when we get back on January 25th, as well as incorporating "PT Tuesday's!"

Parents/Guardians, please continue to make sure students are checking their "Google PE Classroom" daily for assignments, as well as reading & following the directions thoroughly, for assignments being posted by each individual Coach!

Enjoy your weekend...Wash your hands & Continue to stay safe!!!:)

Music with Mr. Dougherty:

DCS 7/8 Music students are continuing to use Soundtrap, a cloud based music composing program that integrates with Google Classroom. We have learned how to compose various drum grooves. Students are now focusing briefly on music theory fundamentals. Since we will not be having our typical end of trimester concert, students will be working a culminating end of semester project that represents what they have learned this trimester.