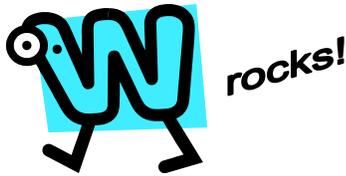


TEAM



SEVENTH GRADE FACTS:

- W Seventh grade is made up of three teams: A, B, and W, and you will be part of Team W this year.
- W Each team has a little over 100 students, which increases the chances that some of your friends will be on the team with us.
- W Ms. Costa is back as your guidance counselor.

LANGUAGE ARTS

Mrs. Formato and Mrs. Malecky teach language arts for Team W. Here is where you will do quite a bit of writing - anything from creative pieces to argumentative essays. You also will examine character growth and change in the novels and short stories you read. Mrs. Formato is the biggest bookworm you will ever meet. She read over one hundred books just this past year! Mrs. Malecky comes to Team W this year after spending a year working in all three grades at Fairfield Woods. You may have even met her last year when you were in sixth grade.

Dear Team W student,

Welcome to seventh grade! I hope this newsletter finds you relaxing on a beach, playing on a ball field, or on a fun-filled family vacation. While we want you to thoroughly enjoy your summer, we also would like to take a moment to introduce ourselves and give you some information about what to expect in seventh grade.

SCIENCE

Mrs. Pida will be your science teacher this year. The focus of your science class is the study of life, from microscopic cells all the way to the human body. Seventh grade science is very much "hands on," so be ready to roll up your sleeves for some exciting labs. One thing you may find interesting about Mrs. Pida is that she went to middle school right here in Fairfield.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Mr. Mangieri (a.k.a. "Mr. Man") teaches social studies for Team W. In social studies, you will keep up on current events and issues that affect our world. You will also study population and various cultures through group activities and technology-based projects. You may recognize Mr. Mangieri from the basketball games here at FWMS (he's the coach). Can you believe he is one of the shorter members of his family? It's true.

MATH

Ms. Collins will be your math teacher this year. Here is where you will fine tune your skills on fractions, decimals, and percents, and then begin to solve more complex word problems. You will also develop your problem solving skills and challenge yourself to think about your thinking. There isn't anyone who loves math as much as Ms. Collins does. And she makes learning it FUN! She even hopes to pass along her love of numbers to her two year old daughter.

TEAM W supply list:

1 ½” separate binder for math*

1” or 1 ½” separate binder for science*

1” or 1 ½” binder for social studies and language arts*

loose leaf paper

independent reading book for language arts

spiral notebook for language arts

spiral notebook for social studies

pencils and pens

scientific calculator

(optional items) homework folder, glue stick, highlighter, red pen, post-its

*** We find that this system works well for students. However, you know your child best. If you feel the large Case-It type binder is a better organizational option, please make sure your child has a separate math binder.**

PARENTS:

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

7th Grade OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, September 28th

We look forward to meeting you!

We know that you are so ready to be a seventh grader and look forward to meeting you on August 31st. Please say a big welcome from us to your parents, because they are part of Team W too!

Sincerely,

Your Team W teachers