**7th grade News:**

STAAR:

Writing April 2-3

Math April 22

Reading April 23

NJHS homework help table is available in the library every Tuesday thru Thursday morning from 8:05-8:45. Please help your child to keep textbooks covered.

Rules for acceptance to NJHS:

From the sponsor.

NJHS link: <http://campuses.fortbendisd.com/campuses/BMS/ActivitiesDocuments.cfm?ActivityIndex=12461>

Word Generation:

Explicit, design, support, capable, eliminate

**Math**

**Basic Math-**

We will begin our unit on Geometry with a review of characteristics of Angles, Triangles and Quadrilaterals.  Then we will review characteristics of Circles by finding the Radius, Diameter and Circumference.

During class time we will be rotating through computers to use Academy of Math program.

**Regular-**

**Pre-AP/GT-**

We have started our 3D Geometry and Measurement unit. Test will be April 8 or 9.

**Mangas-**

(Surface area of cubes and cuboids, Surface Area of combined figures)-due 4/1

(Volume of prism, volume of cylinder, volume of cuboid and Volume and Problem solving)-due 4/9

Ms. Davis will offer tutorial sessions each Thursday morning from 8:00-8:45. Students should be aware that sessions can be cancelled due to meetings and other obligations. Ms. Davis will let them know in advance.

Mr. Ishaq will offer sessions each Friday from 8:15-8:45. He will be available for additional support each morning **except** Tuesday mornings. Mrs. Green and Mrs. Gomez will offer sessions each Wednesday from 8:05-8:45. Mrs. Gomez will also offer tutorials Thursday afternoon. Students should be aware that sessions can be cancelled due to meetings and other obligations. The teachers will let them know in advance if tutorials are cancelled.

Please ask your child about their homework and continue monitoring their student planners and organized notebooks which should contain sections (warm-up, notes, class work, homework/quizzes, test, and graded work).  Please encourage your child to take their time in showing work correctly with strategies provided in class. (No work=No credit.)

Mrs. Meyer and Mrs. Green hold tutorials on Wednesdays at 8:05 in their classrooms. Your child should have a sticker in the front of their agenda to get upstairs. They do need to let them know in advance that they are attending.

Mr. Ishaq-<http://ishaqmath.weebly.com/index.html>

Mrs. Gomez- <http://gomezmath.weebly.com>

Mrs. Meyer’s website, [www.mrsmeyermath.weebly.com](http://www.mrsmeyermath.weebly.com)

Mrs. Green’s website, <http://campuses.fortbendisd.com/campuses/bms/FacultyCourses.cfm?ExchangeIndex=167868>

**Science**

**Regular-**

This week in Science students will conclude learning about the Nervous, Endocrine, Reproductive System. Students will receive a review sheet early next week to help prepare for the unit test which is scheduled for the end of the week.

**Pre-AP/GT-**

This week in Science students will conclude learning about the Nervous, Endocrine, Reproductive System. Students will receive a review sheet early next week to help prepare for the unit test which is scheduled for the end of the week. Also, all Pre-AP student will get an opportunity to dissect a fetal pig in a few weeks! In preparation for dissections and to help things run smooth, we are asking for a few supplies to be donated:

Paper Towels

Gallon sized Ziploc bags

Clorox wipes

Donation of any supplies is not required, but certainly appreciated. Students may start bringing in supplies next week. Thank you in advance!

For more detailed information on the upcoming week, please see your child’s teacher webpage below:

Mrs. Ocanas: <http://campuses.fortbendisd.com/campuses/bms/teacher.cfm?TeacherIndex=38723>

Ms. Adesina: <http://msadesinascience.weebly.com/>

Mrs. Hattic: <http://campuses.fortbendisd.com/campuses/bms/FacultyCourses.cfm?ExchangeIndex=167927>

**Texas History**

**Regular-**

All students will begin our government unit next week.  We will be concentrating on the Seven Principles of the Constitution and beginning the Bill of Rights this week. By Tuesday afternoon, your child should be able to not only name the 7 principles but also give real world examples.  Please ask them in preparation for Wednesday's Quiz.

**Pre-AP/GT-**

Monday, all GT/PreAp classes will be introduced to their research project over Contemporary Texas.  Please look for an email from either Mrs. Flynn or Mrs. Carter Monday or Tuesday.

Please see teachers’ individual websites for more detailed information.

Christine Carter- <http://campuses.fortbendisd.com/campuses/bms/FacultyCourses.cfm?ExchangeIndex=23143>

Kathleen Flynn- [www.kathleenflynn.weebly.com](http://www.kathleenflynn.weebly.com)

Cynthia Humphries- <http://campuses.fortbendisd.com/campuses/bms/FacultyCourses.cfm?ExchangeIndex=175436>

Jeffrey Krus- <http://campuses.fortbendisd.com/campuses/bms/teacher.cfm?TeacherIndex=39840>

**ELA/IDS**

**Basic-**

This is the beginning of our practice for STAAR testing which will occur until testing is complete.

[Literary Genres Workshop](javascript:openResourceFile('../../data/u0_intro_essentials_nt1.pdf',%20true);)

[Reading Strategies Workshop](javascript:openResourceFile('../../data/u0_intro_essentials_nt2.pdf',%20true);)

[Academic Vocabulary Workshop](javascript:openResourceFile('../../data/u0_intro_essentials_nt3.pdf',%20true);)

[Writing Process Workshop](javascript:openResourceFile('../../data/u0_intro_essentials_nt4.pdf',%20true);)

**Regular-**

Mrs. Humphries, Ms. Garza, Ms. Kubeczka, Mrs. Smithson, Mrs. Yoakum, and Mrs. Buchanan’s students will continue working on a novel.

Mrs. Humphries & Mrs. Smithson- *Tangerine.*

Mrs. Kubeczka & Mrs. Buchanan- *Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*

Ms. Garza- *Bud, Not Buddy*

Mrs. Humphries and Mrs. Yoakum*- Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry*

**IDS**-

The students will continue to review and prepare for the STAAR writing test (April 2, 3). Students will review sample expository and narrative essays and score them in groups. They will also be reviewing revising and editing questions and test taking strategies.

Mrs. Buchanan’s class will be working on an expository essay.

**Pre-AP/GT-**

Pre-AP students will be reviewing sentence structure in preparation for the STAAR Writing test.  Students will also analyze examples of last year’s STAAR essays so that they are aware of what the graders are looking for in their essays.

Chapters 7-9 in *The Hobbit* are due Friday, April 5. Students will be given a quiz on those chapters on Friday.

Mrs. Buchanan’s class website is [http://teacherweb.com/TX/bainesmiddleschool/MrsBuchanan](http://teacherweb.com/TX/bainesmiddleschool/MrsBuchanan/update.aspx)

**Health**

**Mrs. Amsler-**

This past week, the students began their unit on Human Growth and Development.  We began to study all parts and functions of the endocrine system and the female and male reproductive systems.  Students are drawing and labeling each structure as well as learning about the different functions of these organs.

We will continue this unit the following week as well.  Also, at the end of next week, students will spend 2 – 3 days on our abstinence unit entitled, “Choosing the Best Path.

**Mr. Yirgu-**

This week in health class the students began to learn about the human body for our unit on abstinence.  A letter was sent home with the students before the break that talks about part of our unit about abstinence and some lessons we will be using from “Choosing the Best Path.”  If you did not receive this letter please email me and I can send you a copy as our 4th unit of the semester on abstinence is what we started on Monday.

We will be continuing this unit next week and if any parents have questions or concerns please email or call me.

[Milkias.Yirgu@Fortbendisd.com](mailto:Milkias.Yirgu@Fortbendisd.com) or (281)634-7877

Have a Great Weekend!!!

**STAAR Math**

We will be working with the students on 2D Geometry. This subject is being taught in their regular math class. We are also working on math facts and preparing for the STAAR test.

**Literacy (Goetzman and Yoakum)**

Goetzman’s website: <https://sites.google.com/site/kerrigoetzman/>

**Human Services**

This week we start our sewing unit.  We will start off with hand sewing.  Students will get a fabric swatch which they will use to practice their hand stitches.  They will learn how to sew a button.  They will also learn the running stitch, backstitch and overcast stitch.  These stitches will enable them to do simple repairs when necessary.  After all stitches are complete, they will hand in this fabric sample for a major grade.

**Production and Information Technology Systems**

Hello Parents! The PITS students just complete cutting their Co2 Cars; these little cars are really fast and furious. After spring break, we will start the design and paint process for the Co2 cars. Hopefully, we will have an opportunity for the entire school to view the race challenge. Fun, Fun, Fun!  Also during this week, we are making special projects for the home.  There’s more; after spring break, we will start making special projects for the Texas Woodworkers Show held at the Pasadena convention Center on April 12, 13, and 14. Our school will have an opportunity to display projects and receive awards for the best in show.  Please encourage your child to participate in the on-site competition; a team of three will be given a problem on site to build. All display projects for the event will be built  at school. At this time, the students are doing a great job in PITS. Thanks

**Spanish**

Please discuss this week’s objectives with your child, write your comments, and sign your child’s Reflections about my Learning (RAL) this week-end.

Tutorials: Tuesdays and Thursdays- 8:00 to 8:45 A.M.

For more information about lessons, homework, and assessments, please check your child’s Edmodo page.

**Broadcast Journalism**

**Creative Performance**

Next week the 7th graders will be learning about the history of masks in theatre.  We will learn about the difference between literal and metaphorical masks and even create our own masks to represent our own characters.  It should be a great unit for all of my students to reflect on their inner feelings and emotions and express them creatively.  If you could please send with your child different types of materials to decorate their masks it would be greatly appreciated.  If they would like they can purchase a white or (neutral) mask at any craft store for less than $2, or they can just use paper masks I will have in class.  Have a great weekend!

**PE**

**FBISD PARENT PORTAL (Skyward)-Please sign up.**  
The new FBISD parent portal is up and running.  To obtain access, parents must complete a form and submit to the school counselor.  The login page and link to the form can be found at <http://www.fortbendisd.com/departments/technology/family-access>  
   
Family Access will provide you timely information to actively participate in your child's educational experience in Fort Bend ISD.  Family Access is a collaborative tool between educators and parents used to support and enhance each student's educational experience.  Family Access provides much more functionality than the previous Parent Portal and Fort Bend ISD is committed to collaboratively working with parents and students alike to ensure that Family Access meets the needs of everyone.