Welcome Back to School 2019 - 2020

FOURTH GRADE
Teachers

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Specials

- Library – Please encourage your child to return all books they borrow.
  - Martin on Monday; Wade on Tuesday; Patek on Wednesday; Vitek on Thursday.
- Vocal Music – Winter concert December, Spring concert May
- Phys. Ed. – must wear tennis shoes to participate
- Art – a smock will be needed periodically
- Exploratory Music – exposure to a brass, woodwind and string instrument
English Language Arts

- Reading Standards for Literature
- Reading Standards for Informational Text
- Reading Standards: Foundational Skills
- Writing Standards
- Speaking and Listening Standards
- Language Standards
What About Math?
• Pearson enVision.
• Dreambox – 3 to 4 lessons/week
  – Do not help your children
• Students are expected to know all basic facts
Science

Earth’s Systems:
• Geologic Journeys

Energy:
• Rubbish Rescue
• STEM Fair project

Structure and Function:
• Turtle Trouble
STEM Fair

All students will complete STEM projects within a small group during school in February.
Social Studies

- Earliest Americans (Native Americans)
- The Age of Encounters (Exploration)
- English Colonies
- Geography and Economics of the United States
Health – 3 Modules

- Components of Wellness
  - (meeting basic needs – physical, emotional, mental, and social)

- Safety
  - (personal safety and fire prevention to prevent injury)

- Fitness and Nutrition
  - (physical fitness, balanced diet)
## Our Guiding Practices

1. Grading practices must be supportive of student learning.
2. Marking-period grades will be based solely on achievement of course or grade-level standards.
3. Students will have multiple opportunities to demonstrate proficiency.
4. Grades will be based on a body of evidence aligned to standards.
5. A consistent grading scale will be used to score assignments and assessments.
6. Accommodations and modifications will be provided for exceptional learners.
Questions About Grading and Reporting
To determine achievement grades for students in Grades 3–12, consider overall evidence of student performance using the following guidance:

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Attendance

- Attendance in school is mandatory.
- Each student is expected to have a 94% or better attendance rate.
- Attendance effects daily success and impacts your child’s score on the MAP test.
Formal Testing

- **Measure of Academic Progress (MAPGrowth)**
  - To track academic growth
  - Beginning and middle of the year
  - Reading and math

- **Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program (MCAP)**
  - April and May
  - Reading and Math
¿Hablan Español?

- 30 minutes of Spanish conversation each week with Sr. Gallardo.
- Forty minutes of online modules each week.
Homework/Agenda

- Students record daily assignments.
- Parents review nightly.
- Comment section at bottom is a way to communicate with teacher.
- Read each night for at least 15 minutes.
Field Trips

- Camp Puh’ Tok
  - October 4th Wade and Patek
- October 11th Martin and Vitek
- One Straw Farm for Days of Taste
- Annapolis
  - Friday, May 29, 2019
Volunteers

- Field Trips – Especially Camp Puh Tok
- Room Parents
- Classroom
  - Holiday parties
  - Copying

Please remember all volunteers must complete the online volunteer training which can be accessed at http://hamptones.bcps.org/parents/volunteer_training
Wanted: 4th Grade Field Trip Parent Help

Parents willing to train and lead stations on the Native American culture.

The 4th grade will be visiting Camp Puh’ Tok on

Wednesday, October 17th (Mrs. DiLella and Mrs. Vitek)

and

Thursday, October 18th (Mr. Wade and Ms. Patek)

Each day, ten parents are needed to run the 5 stations:

Face Painting and Cordage, Games, Fire and Legend,

Drumming and Dance, Tools and Dwellings

Interested parents must be available:

Monday, September 24, for a ½ day training session at the camp
(9:00-12:00)

and

either Wednesday October 17th or Thursday, October 18th,

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. to run the stations.

(Camp Puh tok is located off the Hereford exit of Interstate 83.)

Please return this tear-off to your child’s homeroom teacher if interested by 9/17.
Our Website

http://hamptones.bcps.org/
Thank you for coming!

Buenas Noches!