

Follow Our Class...

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From Mr. P...

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1. **LIVESCHOOL:** Our total class points (as of Dec. 9) are **48,924!** Awesome!
2. **SPELLING/VOCABULARY:** Unit 15 will be tested on Dec. 16. Any grade below 80% will be expected to be revisited by writing each missed items 10 times each.
3. **GRADES:** Look for grades to be updated as of Dec. 10 at 7PM.
4. **RETAKES:** The next retake date is Friday, Dec. 13. Please make sure you are taking advantage of revisiting opportunities. **This includes spelling/vocabulary corrections!**
REMINDER: No retakes will be given for low grades due to a lack of preparation. Assignments such as Scholastic News comprehension questions do not constitute a lack of understanding. Please use retakes for their intended use: to get another chance to master a skill. Mastery is 80%.

Mr. P's Student of the Week!

December 9-13, 2019: **Kymani League**

Next week: Lincoln Mattingly

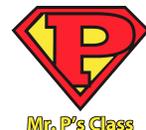
Mr. P's Class Calendar Up Close!

- 12.10.19 **Tuesday Folder...**
- 12.10.19 ANCIENT EGYPT DAY...
- 12.11.19 Wear class shirts (white)...
- 12.13.19 Wear class shirts (black)...
- 12.13.19 **DUE:** TypingWeb...
- 12.13.19 **DUE:** Daily Math & Language...
- 12.16.19 **DUE:** DDD (IXL/MOBY/ALEKS) sheet...
- 12.16.19 **TEST:** Spelling/Vocabulary #14...
- 12.20.19 Winter Break begins...
- 01.07.20 Start Second Semester...
- 01.10.20 4-H Meeting...
- 01.17.20 General Store...

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DUE DATES:

12/13: TypingWeb
 12/13: Daily M/Lang.
 12/16: Spell/Voc Test
 12/16: DDD
 12/10: Ancient Egypt



Mr. P's Class

TUESDAY TRACKER:

Tuesday, December 10		TUESDAY FOLDER:	ITEMS TO BRING:
Note Home: online + paper copy		Tuesday Signature Sheet	>earbuds
FYI:		Note Home	>Tuesday Sheet (return)
Ancient Egypt Day: Dec. 10		Student work	>
		Mr. P's Note Home is Online:	
		http://www.flyparsons.org/notehome.html	

WEBSITE EXTRAS!

This Week's ONLINE SECTION SECRET WORD (December 10):

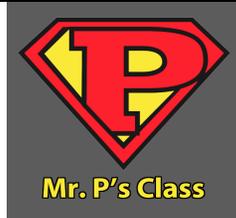
SECRET WORD: Ancient Egypt

Mr. P's Class Motto:

"I CAN AND I WILL."

TEAM SHIRTS...

Our class will wear our super-cool class shirts on Wednesday, Dec. 11 and Friday, Dec. 13. We will wear the white shirt each Wednesday and the black one Friday. Class shirts show just how cool our class really is!



[Infinite Campus]: Reminders...

UPDATE! Infinite Campus grades will update by 7PM, Dec. 10. The updates will reflect the past week. Late work has been recorded as of Dec. 10. Notice any missing assignments? Please submit them each week with the Tuesday Folder Sheet.

LiveSchool Class Points:

[as of Dec. 9]
048,924



A Special Coupon...

Print and clip this coupon below for a special **REWARD**. To get the reward, please obtain a parent's signature that states your parent has checked Infinite Campus.

COUPON



Student's Name _____

Parent's Signature _____

Date: _____ Secret Word: _____

IXL: _____ LiveSchool: _____

DID YOU KNOW?

IXL

THIS YEAR, WE'VE ANSWERED **77,332** QUESTIONS!

Skill progress

886

SKILLS MASTERED

1,813

SKILLS PROFICIENT

Time spent

522 hr

THIS YEAR

● SCHOOL

● HOME

12.02.19

Things That Require Zero Talent...

- Being on Time
- Work Effort
- Effort
- Energy
- Body Language
- Attitude
- Passion
- Being Coachable
- Doing Extra
- Being Prepared

Snack Attack...

Big thanks to those who have sent snacks to refill our "Snack Attack" box. Your donations are appreciated. We are looking for individually wrapped chips, granola bars, popcorn, Goldfish, Cheez-Its, peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, or anything that makes a decent mid-morning snack to replenish the box each week. The "Snack Attack" box is open for students to use LiveSchool points to buy snack after related studies.

Check out the link to sign up.

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E0A4FAEAF29A31-snack2

DDD: What to do Weekly...

IXL

1. Do the language arts and math IXL skills assigned each day of the week.
2. Record the score and time for each on the tan DDD chart.
3. Hit a Smart score of 100% or 10 minutes in the skill, whichever occurs first.

ALEKS

1. Spend a very minimum of 10 minutes working in the prescriptive math program two days per week.
2. Record those topics on the ALEKS chart on the tan DDD sheet.
3. The completed tan DDD sheet is due by no later than 8:00AM on Mondays.

MOBY MAX

1. Complete any assigned lessons during the week.
2. Record the lessons and scores on the tan DDD sheet on the corresponding day.

IXL	ALEKS	MobyMax
 The IXL logo features the letters 'IXL' in a bold, stylized font. The 'I' is blue, and the 'XL' is yellow. The logo is centered between two horizontal green bars.	 The ALEKS logo consists of a blue square containing a circular graphic divided into several colored segments (orange, green, purple, yellow). Below the square, the word 'ALEKS' is written in a bold, blue, sans-serif font with a registered trademark symbol.	 The MobyMax logo features a green whale silhouette with three white gears inside its body. Below the whale, the word 'MobyMax' is written in a bold, black, sans-serif font, with 'Max' in red. Underneath 'MobyMax' is the tagline 'Learn twice as fast™' in a smaller, black font.

Student of the Week in Mr. P's Class...

Each week a different student is spotlighted as Mr. P's Student of the Week. Students may bring photos and mementos of themselves and their family to share on our board. Please notice the schedule for each student so you'll be ready. Students should bring their photos/mementos on the Friday before their week. **[updated: August 19]**

8/5: Mr. P
9/9: Graham B
9/16: Angelo B.
9/23: Natalia C.
9/30: Josiah C.
10/14: Fallon C.
10/21: Liem D.
10/28: Nathaniel H.
11/11: Jayla H.
11/18: Michaela H.
12/2: James H.
12/9: Kymani L.
12/16: Lincoln M.
1/13: Courtney M.
1/20: Frederick M.
1/27: Zomara M.
2/3: Melis P.
2/10: Isaac R.
2/17: Chloe S.
2/24: Josephine S.
3/2: Kylie T.
3/9: Mason T.
3/23: Bethlehem T.
3/30: Ashley T.
4/13: Pramita U
4/20: Madeline W.

Working Towards Mastery...

REDOS: For some assignments, a redo is the best course of action. If so, attach the assignment redo to the original graded paper and turn in to Mr. P.

REVISITS: 1. To revisit a low grade on Scholastic News and TFK, students are to write a paragraph for each missed question stating the correct answer and support it with the text.
2. To get a retake grade on a low spelling test, students are to write each missed word correctly 10-15 times to help reinforce the correct spelling of the word.
3. To get a retake grade on a low vocabulary test, students are to write the full dictionary.com definition to each missed word 5 times each. Hopefully this will motivate students to be diligent in preparation for these weekly tests. Mr. P has Quizlet available for the entire week leading up to these tests. Students who do not procrastinate and utilize the Quizlet resources throughout the week typically score significantly higher compared to waiting until the night before the test.

RETAKES: Mr. P will announce retake opportunities based on summative assessments that have been graded and returned to students. To re-take a test/quiz, students are to attach the original test/quiz to the item analysis form. Attach the intervention activity (if one has been assigned by Mr. P) that's been used to correct the un-mastered assessed skills. A parent's signature is also needed. Mr. P has retake forms for those needing one. Each particular form is color coded. Literacy retake forms are yellow; math retake forms are white; science retake forms are green; and SS retake forms are blue. To see the forms, go to <http://www.flyparsons.org/retakes.html>. **FYI:** quizzes are found at the class assessment website. Go to parsonsassessments.weebly.com.

MAKING CORRECTIONS: Any assessment with a low grade should be corrected. To make corrections, students are to use a separate sheet of paper to record the incorrect answer(s) along with an explanation of how that wrong answer was made. A response on what the correct answer is and the correct understanding to it is necessary. Simply writing the right answer by the incorrect answer will not suffice.

LACK of EFFORT: There are some low grades that do not require the retake form since the purpose of retakes is to master 6th grade skills. Poor habits such as not studying and a lack of perseverance with assignments is not a legitimate reason for a retake.

Twitter Alerts...

Stay up on our class tweets. The agenda is tweeted daily on Twitter @MeigsMagnet. Want the class Twitter alert? Text **on @MeigsMagnet** to 404-04. This will allow all subscribers to follow our class on Twitter without necessarily being a Twitter user.

iPADOS13...

In September, Apple released the latest operating system for the iPad. Check out the link to Apple's webpage spotlighting the new features. There are lots of new improvements.

<https://www.apple.com/ipados/features/> You may check out this site as well.

<https://www.macrumors.com/roundup/ipados/> Mr. P has highlighted a few features applicable to our classroom.

New features available with iPadOS.

- Multitasking- multiple apps in "Slide Over"
- New Home Screen- new layout
- Apple Pencil- lower latency
- Sidecar- extended desktop
- Keyboard- "QuickPath"
- Custom fonts
- Files- column View
- Systemwide "Dark Mode"
- Expanded markup availability
- External drive support
- Safari download manager
- Text editing improvements

Features Still Available for Students- Screen Time:

New tools empower you to understand and make choices about how much time you spend using apps and websites. **Activity reports:** Get reports weekly or check Today View anytime to see app usage, notifications, and device pickups.

Important Features Still Available for Parents:

Use your family's Apple IDs to set up Screen Time for your kids to keep an eye on how much time they spend on apps and websites. They can request more time for you to approve.

App Limits: Set the amount of time you and your kids can spend each day on specific apps and websites.

Downtime: Set a specific time, like bedtime, when apps and notifications are blocked. You can choose which apps are on and off limits.

Always Allowed:

Create exceptions for apps you'd like your kids to have access to even during Downtime, such as Messages or education apps.

Do Not Disturb During Bedtime:

Dim your display and silence overnight notifications until you unlock your iPhone in the morning.

New Do Not Disturb Options:

Set Do Not Disturb to end automatically in an hour or maybe at the end of the day.

Wear Class Shirts!

2019-2020 Class Shirts!



Wednesdays



Fridays

WEAR WHITE on WEDNESDAY + BLACK on FRIDAYS!

Mr. P's General Store

**FRIDAY
@8:55AM**

January 17

SPEND YOUR LIVESCHOOL POINTS!

Meigs' Mission Statement...

We are an academic middle school for 5th to 8th grade students. Our mission is to provide a liberal arts curriculum that will allow our capable learners to perform at high standards of academic and social development.

Bye Bye...