

January 12, 2018

Greetings WLMS!

This week, administration met with current 6th and 7th graders through their social studies classes to share information about a Middle School Schedule Pilot Program for the 2018-19 school year. We are excited to be a part of this program that will provide students the opportunity to delve more deeply into their interests, to create and perform collaboratively, develop technical skills, and begin to define personal creative direction. In all cases, these experiences will form the foundation for possible advanced placement in high school. Your 6th and 7th graders should have brought home a letter (and course registration form) that gives more information and outlines fine arts and course elective choices. We have attached an electronic copy to this newsletter in case you need it. **The gold course registration form should be fully completed, have a parent signature, and be returned by your child to their homeroom teacher no later than next Thursday, January 19th.** Please reach out to us if you have any questions or need guidance.

This year HCPSS reduced the number of times that we would administer the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) test from three administrations to two. The students took the first test in the fall and will be taking the final administration of the MAP test in February. **They will take the Reading MAP during their English classes the week of February 5th and the Math MAP during their Math classes the week of February 12th. We appreciate your support in not scheduling appointments that take students out of school during this time frame.**

Enjoy your long weekend!

Anne Swartz, Lexi Couch, Denise Young, James McVey

Important Dates:

Jan. 15 – Schools & Offices Closed – MLK Holiday

Jan. 18 – BSAP Celebration of Academic Excellence – Hammond High School 7:00pm

Jan. 19 – Jazz Festival Fieldtrip

Jan. 23 – Incoming 6th grade Parent Orientation 6:30pm

Jan. 26 – End of 2nd Marking Period - 3 Hour Early Dismissal

Bootcamp

See the attached flier for a 1 mile Bootcamp at Columbia Mall on Saturday, January 20th. The event is sponsored by Healthy Little Cooks.

For more information about our event: healthylittlecooks.com/bootcamp