Hello from the Mustang team, where "What You Do, Shows Who You Are."

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## **Team News**

First, **please** check your students' agendas for information about homework. Our greatest challenge so far is students not turning in their work. We have too many students who currently have Fs in one or more core classes, which is a direct result of students not turning in work. Please check PowerSchool, and help your student get up to date on any missing assignments. There is no growth without putting in the work.

Team shirts are on sale now. \$10 each. Shirts will be yellow with a Mustang graphic on the front. Last day to order your shirt is **Friday, Sept. 27.** Please see Ms. LaGant with your money and shirt size.

## **Core Class Notes**

**In ELA**, we are working on making inferences and using text evidence to support those inferences. Further, we are analyzing author's word choice as it evokes emotion in the reader and creates a tone which strengthens our understanding of the text. Students should always finish any unfinished classwork from that day and any homework assigned. End of unit assessment on Tuesday, Sept. 24. (Tripp, LaGant) (Talking Points code for Tripp: 3KEST3. TP code for LaGant: YFS3JM)

**In Science**, students continue their study of the Hydrosphere. River basin project due today, Monday, Sept. 23. (Lanner, Rector) (Talking Points code for Lanner: PAMMAD. <a href="www.mrlanner.weebly.com">www.mrlanner.weebly.com</a>) (TP code for Rector: C6QCMK)

**In Social Studies**, students are working to understand geographical regions and how it relates to the development of our 13 colonies. Students continue work on the Colony Project. (LaGant, West) (Talking Points code for West: RSSCYT. TP code for LaGant: YFS3JM)

**In Math I**, students are working on sequences: linear and exponential. Please watch the video Ms. Singleton sent out through Talking Points. (Singleton) (Talking Points code: SSEB86)

**In Math 8**, students are working on transformations and congruents. Expect a video on Talking Points, coming soon! (Singleton, Rector) (Talking Points code for Singleton: ZAYRT8. TP code for Rector: CX60706)

In math, the expectation is that every student will complete every assignment and show all their work every time. No student will ever have less than a 50 average if they complete assignments and show all their work. Students have two extra days to turn in work for credit (past the due date). This Wednesday, Sept. 25, during Guided Study time, students can opt to take a homework test that will either raise low grades or replace up to half of missing grades. It can't hurt; it can only help!

Thanks for your continued support as we work to prepare our students for the rigors of high school. Questions? Ktripp@wcpss.net.