



Good evening PSPA Middle Grades Students and Parents,

Here are some updates for the week:

FRIDAY WORKDAY

Remember that this Friday, March 14, is a Teacher Workday. Students should not come to school that day.

ICE CREAM!

I hope that caught your attention. This Saturday, March 15, our school will be competing with other schools as a fundraiser at JT's Creamery in Holly Springs. Please come out to support a local business and our school, and enjoy some incredible ice cream!

END OF YEAR EVENTS

As we are getting closer to the end of the year(!) I wanted to make sure you had some specific dates on your calendar for upcoming evening events.

April 11-PTO Spring Carnival
April 15-PBL Showcase
April 22-Spring Music Concert
April 23-Athletics Recognition Night
April 29-Spring Night of the Arts
May 1-NJHS Induction
May 2-8th Grade Semi-Formal
May 22-8th Grade Promotion Ceremony

Please keep an eye out for information about each of these events, including time and location.

8TH GRADE WASHINGTON DC TRIP

Once again, our 8th graders will be traveling to Washington DC next week, from March 13-15.

We will hold a meeting for interested parents of current 7th graders who would like to hear information about the 2026 Trip. That meeting will take place virtually on Tuesday, March 25, at 6:00. Here is the information if you wish to attend that meeting.

2026 Washington DC Trip Parent Meeting
Tuesday, March 25 · 6:00 – 7:00pm

Time zone: America/New_York

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/una-crqe-rvx>

Or dial: (US) +1 252-656-5514 PIN: 235 958 730#

More phone numbers: <https://tel.meet/una-crqe-rvx?pin=9034624314768>

ATTENTION 8TH GRADERS SLATED TO GO TO FELTON GROVE

The principal of Felton Grove High School, Mr. Morrison, and members of his staff will be here on March 19 at 6:00pm in the PSPA Gymnasium. They will be discussing class registration and answer questions you may have. Please come and bring your rising 9th grader.

iREADY CHALLENGE

Hopefully, your child has informed you about our iReady Challenge that we implemented recently. If not, please be sure to ask them about it. There are some cool rewards for meeting their goals, such as a Dress Down Day ticket, a PJ/Cozy Dress Day, and a Jam Session/Game Time period. Students need to get their logs signed on Tuesday or Thursday morning to get credit for their hard work. The last day to earn rewards is Thursday, March 27.

RAMADAN

As Ramadan is going on, we would like to offer the opportunity for students who are observing to spend lunch time in a place separate from their peers if they so choose. If your child would like to be a part of this, please have them come to the main office at the beginning of lunch, and they will be able to sit in the conference room for the duration of lunch.

ATHLETICS

We have a number of Soccer, Softball, and Baseball games this week. Please come out to cheer on our Pioneers!

<https://www.pspaathletics.org/>

FROM OUR PBL COACH-Updated as of 2/25

Please click on the [linked document](#) to view the current Project-Based Learning units our students are working on.

POSITIVITY PROJECT

This week, our school community will focus on the character strength of **Love of Learning**. Love of learning means enjoying the process of learning new things, whether in school or on your own.

People with a love of learning are motivated because they find joy in learning itself, not just for rewards like grades or prizes. They are driven by the excitement of discovering and mastering new skills.

Developing a love of learning is important for students because it helps them stay motivated and engaged. It can also improve their mental and physical well-being as they take pride in overcoming challenges and growing.

To practice and encourage the character strength of Love of Learning at home, please visit The Positivity Project's mobile-friendly P2 for Families (available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#)), where you will watch a video together and discuss a quote and three questions.

Thank you for your continued support!

Sincerely,

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[**8th Grade Plan Book**](#)

[**7th Grade Plan Book**](#)

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