

Good Evening Camp Creek Family,

This week all 8th Grade students will take the IOWA Test of Basic Skills (ITBS). The ITBS measures the skill level of students in the areas of Reading, Language, Mathematics, Social Studies, and Science. Eight graders are evaluated and then each student is ranked in several ways against all students throughout the nation who will take the same test that year. The scores are an important barometer of student progress for parents, teachers, and administrators. The data guides us in providing better ways to measure achievement and impact instruction to help students prepare for the future. Please ensure that your student is ready for testing by attending school each day with a fully charged Chromebook and adequate rest. Red Ribbon Week will also be celebrated this week to raise awareness of the killings and the destruction caused by drugs in America.

Last week progress reports went home with mixed reviews. There were several students on par to making straight As for the semester, while others are maintaining As and Bs, however, there are a few students that are not making the mark in more than one class. Many of the students that are not making the mark share a few common characteristics:

1. missing more than 1 day a school per week (suggested solution: ensure your student attends school every day)
2. failing one or more standards-based assessments (suggested solution: have your student review class notes and assignments, watch tutorial videos of the topic from class i.e. Khan Academy, Youtube, etc., read an online text on the topic i.e. National Geographic, practice online quizzes on the topic i.e. quizlet, usatestprep)
3. lack organization (suggested solution: Reorganize folders and book bag every weekend and Wednesday evening, have students copy all assignments in their agenda book every weekend from the weekly teacher emails.
4. being removed from class because of a lack of self-discipline (suggested solution: communicate with the teacher to find a team approach to correct the behavior)

In the upcoming weeks, the Georgia Department of Education and the Governor's Office of Student Achievement will release the 2018 CCRPI grade. Shortly after the CCRPI grade is released we will host a State of Camp Creek Address to explain the report and our ongoing improvement efforts. We are hopeful that CCRPI grade will give us reason to celebrate growth and shed light on opportunities for improvement.

Parents, please ensure that your student reports to school daily with a fully charged Chromebook. Should you have any questions or concerns at any point this school year, please do not hesitate to call, email or come in to see me.

Kind Regards,

Jarvis Adams, Principal