



The
Leader in Me™

To: All SCMS Stakeholders

We are now living The Leader in Me's, *7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens*. To practice what we teach, my weekly correspondence follows the 7 Habits theme:

Habit 1 – Parents can **BE PROACTIVE**, with the free Infinite Campus App, which sends push notifications every time a teacher enters a grade for your son or daughter. Follow the four simple steps seen here: <http://publicschools.spencercounty.ky.gov/parents/icportal/>. For more information email teresa.arnold@spencer.kyschools.us.

Habit 2 – Three Spencer Middle students **BEGAN WITH THE END IN MIND**, prepping for the SCMS school-wide Spelling Bee. Congratulations, to Caden Little for his first place finish. Jack Reynolds, came in second place, and Kris Cole finished third. Great job to everyone that participated!

Habit 3 – The Grizzly Dance Team **PUT FIRST THINGS FIRST**, taking first place in District last weekend and first place in Regionals this weekend. We are honored to have this group represent Spencer County Middle School on Feb. 28 at State! Everyone come out and support SCMS Dance!

Habit 4 – Jack Reynolds was **THINKING WIN-WIN** this week, when he won the SCMS Annual Geography Bee. Jack will next compete in state-qualifiers! Other classroom winners were: Connor Shaefer, Mittie McMichael, Will Donovan, Emily McGill, Nic Gray, and J.D. Brown.

Habit 5 – Spencer County Middle School will **SEEK FIRST TO UNDERSTAND, THEN TO BE UNDERSTOOD**, when 8th grade students participate in the NAEP test on Feb. 13. For more information on what is coined “The Nation’s Report Card”, [click here](#).

Habit 6 – SCMS is **SYNERGIZING** with Anti-Bullying Guru Scott Harvey, to educate all students on “Cyber Safety” & “Anti-Bullying Tactics” during a school-wide assembly on Feb. 19th at 1pm. Mr. Harvey will be speaking to ALL interested parents at 6pm in the Gym. Tell a friend & see you there!

Habit 7 – All students are invited to **SHARPEN THE SAW** Friday, Feb. 13 at our PTSO sponsored Valentine’s Dance. At lunch students will select their own music to be played and a fun photo booth will also be on display. Tickets are \$6 presale during lunch, and \$8 at the door.

Respectfully,

Matt Mercer

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SCMS