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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** – Students can **BE PROACTIVE** by turning assignments timely as our 2<sup>nd</sup> nine weeks just began. 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter Mid-term reports will be sent home on November 24<sup>th</sup>. A very useful tool for parents is the Infinite Campus App; where you can check grades and receive push notifications daily.

**Habit 2** – Everyone can **BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND**, by ordering SCMS Spirit Gear now, so you'll have it for the future. All proceeds go to the SCMS PTSO; attached is an order form.

**Habit 3** – The following students have **PUT FIRST THINGS FIRST** and were recognized as Grizzly Heroes: Zachary Richnor, Kaylee Waldridge, Maria Hawley, Kylie Barron, Yessenia Verastegui. Last week's Paw on the Back goes to Ms. Phelps for educating others on tech. for the classroom.

**Habit 4** – Friday, the entire school was **THINKING WIN-WIN** for our annual Academic Pep Rally featuring J.D. Shelburne. The Spencer Magnet was here to Students that scored Proficient, Distinguished, & those that showed growth were recognized, w/ ALL Distinguished students meeting JD backstage. Thanks to our sponsors: McDonald's, Shelbyville Family Center, Fernbowl & Kingpin.

**Habit 5** – Grizzly teachers are **SEEKING FIRST TO UNDERSTAND, THEN TO BE UNDERSTOOD** by participating in job-embedded professional development on the Seven Thinking Strategies that help students learn most. This month's strategy is "Schema" and was modeled by Ms. Kennedy. For more information on this initiative, click here: <http://www.spencer.kyschools.us/2/Content2/438>

**Habit 6** – Once again SCMS will be **SYNERGIZING** with local veterans in hosting our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual "Pancakes for Patriots" pancake breakfast on Wednesday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. This community event has grown because of your hard work, donations, and help! As always we depend on donations. If you would be willing to donate items or your time during our breakfast we would greatly appreciate it. You can find our list of needs @ <http://www.perfectpotluck.com/meals.php?t=NDXT0830&v=1ca6f99a5b>.

**Habit 7** – Congrats to the following students who have been **SHARPENING THE SAW** by reading their favorite book, which has them atop the Accelerated Reader leaderboard in the media center: 5<sup>th</sup> place – Abby Watts, 4<sup>th</sup> place – Emily McGill, 3<sup>rd</sup> place – Cameron Emmons, 2<sup>nd</sup> place – Lily Weibel, and in 1<sup>st</sup> place – Erika Montgomery.

Respectfully,

*Matt Mercer*

Principal  
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