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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 studying for their Semester Exams this week. Their will also be a school-wide On Demand Writing done on Friday Morning. 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter report cards will be sent home on January 11. A very useful tool for parents is the Infinite Campus App; where you can check grades and receive push notifications daily.

**Habit 2** – Please **BEGAN WITH THE END IN MIND** and drop students off in the car rider line each morning. We have some parents parking & allowing students to walk over, which can be dangerous!

**Habit 3** – Ms. Gabbard and the media center are **PUTTING FIRST THINGS FIRST** by teaming up with both the art and drama departments for a fun night of shopping, dinner, and a show; more information about discounts & incentives to come! The Bookfair will be open to students Dec. 14-18.

**Habit 4** – SCMS is **THINKING WIN-WIN** in recognizing this week's "Grizzly Heroes": Micah McCarthy, Cienna Paquette, Zachariah Dana, Trenton Estridge, Dylan Wiehebrink, & Hayden Detrich. Faculty "Paw on the Back" goes to Mike Phillips & Amanda Butler.

**Habit 5** – Huge thanks to Vonda Martin and Family Youth Service for **SEEKING FIRST TO UNDERSTAND, THEN TO BE UNDERSTOOD** by providing backpack buddies to students in need. If you are interested in getting food and supplies for your family, please email [Vonda.martin@spencer.kyschools.us](mailto:Vonda.martin@spencer.kyschools.us).

**Habit 6** – The library media center would like to **SYNERGIZE** with the Spencer County community by sponsoring The Great Bedtime Story Pajama Drive. We will be collecting new pajama sets (top and bottom) in all sizes (newborn to adult) along with new or gently used books to give to children in need. Donations can be made through December 18th in the library!

**Habit 7** – Thanks to everyone that came out to **SHARPEN THE SAW** by attending our Christmas Band Concert, Drama Dept.'s "Best Christmas Pageant" production, the Art Dept.'s Spaghetti Dinner, and Monday night's Chorus Concert. We are blessed to have Ms. Shipley, Ms. Stampfer, Ms. Steege & Ms. Larue.

Respectfully,

*Matt Mercer*

Principal  
SCMS