



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**, by attending Parent Involvement Night on March 17 at 6pm at SCMS. There will be a seven period rotation, allowing parents to see each of their child's teachers. Topics will be grade relevant (8th grade – HS Scheduling, AP Course Requirements, Scholarships, etc.)

Habit 2 – **BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND**, by attending our Book Fair during Parent Involvement Night in the Media Center. The Book Fair will be open during the entire month of April; please stop by and support, as all funds raised go to the purchase of additional books for our library.

Habit 3 – Spencer County Schools has **PUT FIRST THINGS FIRST**, with calendar updates: last day for students is now June 4, 3rd quarter mid-terms is now March 19th and Reports Cards go home March 26th.

Habit 4 – Ms. Stampfer and the Grizzly Band are **THINKING WIN-WIN**, by collaborating with the University of Louisville on March 13th. Our students will get to play with UofL's Senior Music Education Class. All 105 members will also compete in the KMEA Concert Assessment on March 18.

Habit 5 – SCMS will **SEEK FIRST TO UNDERSTAND, THEN TO BE UNDERSTOOD**; the MAP testing window on March 16 – April 17, will show what we know. MAP scores are used in various ways such as course placement & providing interventions to students in need.

Habit 6 – Grizzlies Beyond the Bell is **SYNERGIZING** with various community organizations. Our Health Careers Club targets students interested in the medical field. Clubs such as Cooking and Photography are for everyone. If your son/daughter is an athlete, they will stay for homework help on game days. Please complete the attached form, if you have not done previously.

Habit 7 – We encourage everyone to **SHARPEN THE SAW** and volunteer to be a part of the 2015-2016 Parent Teacher Student Organization. Nominations forms for PTSO are attached to this email. Deadline for nominations is March 13. Voting will take place March 17 at Parent Involvement Night.

Respectfully,

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