



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 – SCMS Assistant Principal Erin Demyan and School Family Resource Director Vonda Martin, are **BEING PROACTIVE**, by establishing a “Students for Success” student group that meets weekly to discuss goal-setting, behavior, and academic success. For more information, email erin.demyan@spencer.kyschools.us!

Habit 2 – Please encourage students to **BEGIN WITH THE END IN MIND** in completing and turning in assignments as mid-term reports will be sent home on September 17. The 1st nine weeks ends October 8 and report cards will be sent home October 15.

Habit 3 – Spencer County Middle School Intervention Specialist Elizabeth Hinton is **PUTTING FIRST THINGS FIRST**, in regards to our Gifted and Talented Program and our Response to Intervention Program. Please read more in the attached Fall Newsletter!

Habit 4 –SCMS is **THINKING WIN-WIN** by recognizing this weeks ‘Grizzlies Heroes’: Jaden Butram, Javier Rubio, Erika Montgomery, Hailey Davis, Paul Harden, Shawn Lisby, Jacob Armstrong, Ronnie Bartman, Samantha Riggs, Gideon Steever, Will Moon, Ella Steers. This week’s ‘Paw on the Back’ goes to Mr. Cox, for getting a student the help she needed.

Habit 5 – In SC, we **SEEK FIRST TO UNDERSTAND, THEN TO BE UNDERSTOOD** by administering the MAP Assessment three times per year. This allows us to individualize instruction to teach students exactly where they are. The first Assessment window begins tomorrow, Aug 31.

Habit 6 – The SCMS PTSO and UofL Soccer **SYNERGIZE** each spring to discuss the importance of academics with Grizzly Students. We love to support our sponsors! Coach Lolla & the girls’ opening game is 8/28 @ 7:30. Ten + group tickets are only \$5. Tickets can be purchased, in advance, with Danc@gocards.com (502) 852-0120 or the Papa Johns Cardinal Stadium ticket office.

Habit 7 – Students can **SHARPEN THE SAW** at ‘Grizzlies Beyond the Bell’ beginning Aug 31. BYB offers homework help and dozens of clubs and organizations to every SCMS student daily (Monday – Thursday), from 2:30 to 5:30. Transportation is provided! Email Karen.Leff@spencer.kyschools.us

Respectfully,

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