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Always Be Thankful!



Mr. Bobby McGuire, NRMS Hall Monitor, unexpectedly passed away on October 20, 2016. Mr. McGuire was a quiet spoken, funny, gentle giant whose love of our students was felt by all. His presence will be deeply missed by all at NRMS and Danville District #118. Mr. McGuire will forever be in our hearts.

Mr. Weber ~ 7th grade ELA teacher at NRMS

Mr. Weber recently received a large supply of books for his classroom through DonorsChoose!

DonorsChoose is a crowd-funding organization similar to Go Fund Me that is geared toward helping schools and other non-profit organizations get grant money for small projects. Donors world-wide can log into the website to make any size donations.

Mr. Weber launched this project in August and learned that it had been fully funded on October 11. The books started arriving from Amazon.com on October 14. His grant proposal was designed to get copies of high-quality, high-interest books for students. I asked for, and received, copies of *To Kill a Mockingbird*, *Ender's Game*, and *The Lord of the Flies*.

Several individual local donors contributed to this project, but the majority of the money came from Watchfire and Burlington here in Danville.

Great job Mr. Weber!!



Dates to Remember

Nov 1st-4th	8 th Grade Career Days at DACC
Nov 7	Veteran's Choral Concert
Nov 9	Picture Retake Day
Nov 11	NO SCHOOL – Veteran's Day
Nov 23	EARLY DISMISSAL @ 2:45 pm
Nov 24	NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Day
Nov 25	NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break
Nov 29	Volleyball Tryouts



7th Grade SS/Science - Ryan Warren

In recent weeks, the 7th grade social studies department has completed projects including country cubes and power point presentations on countries in Europe and Latin America. Students enjoyed expressing their knowledge about European culture. In future weeks, we will discuss Russian, Asian, African and U.S. cultures in depth.

8th Grade Pre-Algebra

The 8th grade Pre-Algebra classes just finished Unit 1 on Real Numbers. As we move into Unit 2 students will be expected to recall what they learned on solving one-step equations in 7th grade and apply that to begin solving two-step and multi-step equations. As with any math content, this new information is extremely difficult if students do not know the basics. Please encourage your student to come in for extra help if they begin to struggle as soon as possible. Students will receive some class time to complete homework with a teacher's help; however, students will regularly have leftover homework to complete at home.

8th Grade Algebra

The 8th grade Algebra classes have completed Unit 1 on Equations and Relationships and will be moving on to Unit 2 Functions. Students will be expected to evaluate, graph, compare and transform functions in Unit 2. Make sure your student is completing homework and studying for any tests or quizzes at least 24 hours before the assessment so that the material can truly be mastered to earn a 3 or 4. If a student does not achieve a 3 on any objective check, he or she can come in for extra help and have another opportunity to take the assessment and demonstrate mastery.

7th Grade/English Language

Seventh grade students will continue their narrative writing in ELA during second quarter, with eventual progression into poetry. They will also continue to read a variety of novels, short stories, and excerpts, with non-fiction being worked into the mix.

North Ridge Builder's Club

This year the North Ridge Builder's Club will once again be honoring our veterans who are laid to rest at our Danville National Cemetery by participating in Wreaths Across America. Please consider helping the Builders Club by donating \$15.00 for one wreath...\$30 for two and so on. Last year we participated at the last minute and were able to use \$150 of Builders Club funds to sponsor 10 wreaths. We would like our club to sponsor at least 100 wreaths this December. We will need to raise \$1500 to accomplish this! Please contact us at North Ridge if you are interested in sponsoring a wreath or two.....or more. If you have a loved one buried at our National Cemetery, we will personally place the wreath on their grave. We will need their full name. If you do not have a loved one buried there, please still consider a donation. Checks can be made out to North Ridge Builders Club and can be mailed to Kathy Delzell, North Ridge Middle School, 1619 N. Jackson, Danville, IL 61832. You may also send a check to school with your child. Thank you so much for helping us honor our veterans who have sacrificed so much!! We also provide support to our local veterans by making and sending cards on Veteran's Day and Valentine's Day.

Please continue to collect General Mills Box Tops and send them to school in a baggie or envelope with your child's name on it. For every 10 box tops turned in, the Builders Club will place their name in for a drawing that will be held at the end of the school year.