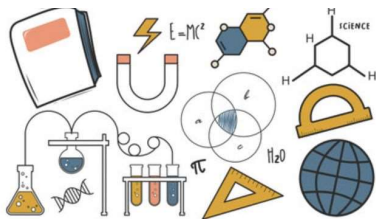


STEAM Spotlight: Science and Art

INTERVIEW of MR. JOHNSON

by Yusuf Mohamed

Mr. Johnson is a 8th Physical science and a Design and Modeling teacher. One thing Mr. Johnson said what he loves about teaching is helping kids know the world work. Mr. Johnson was asked what were you like as a kid and what was your favorite subject and he responded, "I was a goofy kid In high school and was Into social studies" One thing about Mr Johnson that would surprise people is his grandpa is 102 years old! If Mr. Johnson was not science teacher he said he would be a park ranger. And one advice that Mr. Johnson gives to parents is to ask their children "What did they learn today at school?"



INTERVIEW of MS. SMITH

by Abdullahi Sharif and Saif'Allah Salahuddin

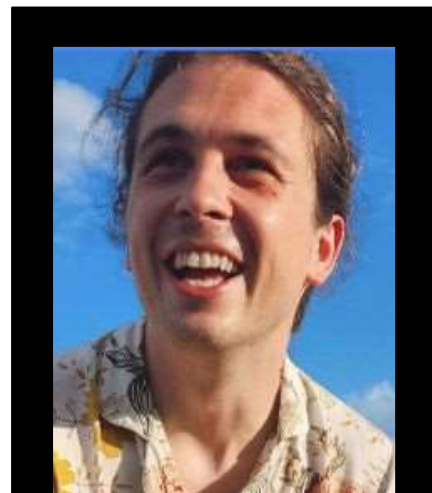
Ms. Smith is a Sullivan teacher who teaches STEAM and Life Science. She loves when kids figure out tricky questions on assignments. She says she was a science nerd when she was a student back in the day. She said if she wasn't a science teacher she would've been a nurse or a doctor. Advice for families: check in periodically with teachers / Google Classroom or Talking Points.






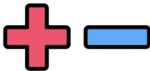
INTERVIEW of MR. JOEY

By Mohamed Mohamed and Zuri Craig


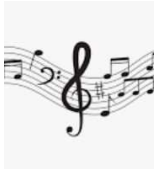



Mr. Joey teaches Art for every grade! He likes that students are creative and can express themselves. He was an normal kid and he was quiet kid and his favorite thing to do was math. He was born less than 2 miles away from Sullivan STEAM School! if he wasn't a teacher, he would try to be an artist. His advice to families for art is, "go to an art event and go to a museum."



Middle School Class Information:

Class	6th Grade	7th Grade	8th Grade
ELA 	<p>Big ideas: Summarizing Fiction Skills: Strategies for Writing Summaries Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know: Ask your child about what they do in class and about how to summarize. Also we use our notebook daily.</p>	<p>Big ideas: Narrative Plot Structure Skills: How to build a story Important Assignments and Deadlines: October 25th, Personal Narrative and Recording Due Other Important things to know: Ask your child what story they will tell.</p>	<p>Big ideas: Identity Skills: Analyzing Dominant Narratives Important Assignments and Deadlines: Dominant Narrative Essay, Due October 25th Other Important things to know: Ask your child which part of their identity they will be writing about. This could be race, gender, religion, etc.</p>
Social Studies 	<p>Big ideas: Storytelling and Oral History Skills: Acknowledging and Understanding different Perspectives Important Assignments and Deadlines: Creating Folktales Other Important things to know: This year's History Day theme is Human Rights.</p>	<p>Big ideas: 3 Branches of US Government Skill(s): Summarizing Important Assignments and Deadlines: How a Bill Becomes a Law project/ presentation Other Important things to know: Stay on top of the assignments your given - if you don't start now it will be harder later.</p>	<p>Big ideas: Conflicts between countries Skills: Critical thinking and analyzing information Important Assignments and Deadlines: Cold War Analysis - Oct. 15 Other Important things to know: We will be starting History Day research projects at the beginning of December.</p>
Science 	<p>Big ideas: Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:</p>	<p>Big ideas: Human body systems and cells Skills: Use argument supported by evidence for how the body is a system of interacting subsystems composed of groups of cells. Other Important things to know: Keep up on work in TWIG Journal. Important information posted in Google Classroom.</p>	<p>Big ideas: Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:</p>
Math 	<p>Big ideas/Skills: Class routines, calculating area and perimeter of shapes so as to determine surface area of 3D shapes Important Assignments</p>	<p>Big ideas: Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:</p>	<p>Big ideas: Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:</p>

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Health 	6th Grade Health Education will be taught 2nd Semester. Health 6 Focus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-Bullying & Mental Health 	Health 7 Focus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs • Nutrition • Communicable and Non-Communicable Diseases 	Health 8 Focus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reproductive Health • Decision-Making • Healthy Relationships • Responsibility
Music 	Big ideas: Band; Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:	Big ideas: Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:	Big ideas: Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:
Art 	Big ideas/Skills: Collagraph stamp making, Linocut carving and printing Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:	Big ideas: Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:	Big ideas/Skills: Collagraph stamp making, Linocut carving and printing Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:
PE 	Big ideas: Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:	Big ideas: Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:	Big ideas: Skills: Important Assignments and Deadlines: Other Important things to know:
STEAM 	Big ideas: How do we use 3D printing technology to design and manufacture products. Skills: We will understand the real world concept to creation design process using Computer Aided design (CAD) software and produce models on our 3D printers.	Big ideas: How do we use 3D printing technology to design and manufacture products. Skills: We will understand the real world concept to creation design process using Computer Aided design (CAD) software and produce models on our 3D printers.	I look forward to working with 8th graders during the Second Semester. “Miss you guys:)”



School Counseling Program:

School Counselors help students with personal and social concerns, career and college planning, and academics.

All 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students completed these things in September!:

- Researched and saved Careers in Xello.
- Explored and saved Interests in Xello.
- Shared their interests and needs with their School Counselor.

Xello will be used by students all throughout middle and high school to assist them in their career and college planning. Families have access too! Please reach out to Ms. Zupan Maiser (Ms. Z) if you want assistance getting set up with a Xello family account.

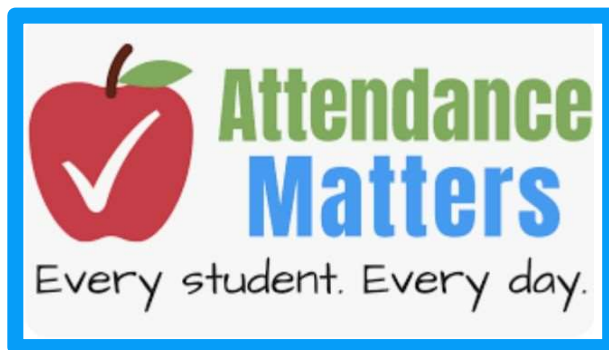


Calendar Events:

Parent-Teacher Conferences:

Tuesday, October 15, 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Wednesday, October 16, 7:00 am - 3:00 pm



Attendance Matters - Absences Matter

- Attendance is a critical factor in determining your child's long-term success. Studies have linked dropout patterns with poor attendance beginning in Kindergarten.
- The data show that youngsters who miss too many days have trouble mastering reading . By sixth grade, chronic absence is a proven warning sign that a student is at risk of dropping out. Chronic absences can prevent a student from receiving a letter grade.
- Parents must ensure their children attend school.
- Remember to communicate with the campus if your child cannot attend school.