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ELITE EIGHT NEWSLETTER

PURPOSE SHAPING DESTINY....EVERY MINUTE, EVERY SCHOLAR, EVERY DAY...DREAM BIG



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STEM CENTRAL

What's Happening this Week in Your Classroom?

We are working in the Genetics Unit. We have been comparing Extra-Big Muscles & Typical Muscles of various animals. We will be digging deeper into genetics by looking at traits, variations & chromosomes.



HISTORY HUB

What's Happening this Week in Your Classroom?

We will study how South Carolina's geography and natural resources contributed to the development of its economy.



PROBLEM SOLVERS

What's Happening this Week in Your Classroom?

Scholars are working on transformations leading up to proportional relationships. In Geometry, scholars will be finishing transformations leading into symmetry. Scholars need to study their math manual 5 minutes daily for their upcoming quiz. Please be proactive about checking your PowerSchool email. Math will have a test on **Tuesday, September 1st**, and Geometry will have theirs on **Thursday, September 3rd**.



LITERACY LOUNGE

What's Happening this Week in Your Classroom?

In ELA 8, students are reading narratives and informational texts with a focus on the thrill of mysteries, while the English 1 students focus on texts that illustrate individuals who have broken barriers to succeed. All ELA classes are practicing determining an author's point of view or perspective, analyzing an author's purpose, and locating central ideas. Students continue to practice writing that uses textual evidence and explains their insights.



SHAFFER'S CORNER

Shaffer – Progress monitoring began on 8/25/26. Please look out for IEP goals progress reports later this month. Please reach out to me at maridith_shaffer@charleston.k12.sc.us if you have any questions or concerns.



STUDENT SHOUT OUTS!

- ✓ **Christopher Garcia Sanchez** is a hard worker and very involved in his own learning.
- ✓ **Samira Washington** is always very helpful and patient with others.
- ✓ **Terrell Jones** is always willing to help others and is very interested in learning as much as he can.
- ✓ **Carleigh Kelly** is always willing to help anyone without hesitation.
- ✓ Shout out to **Zaid Alejandro Aguilar Henriquez** for always being willing to assist his peers and the school counselor with translation/communication. You are awesome!



IMPORTANT DATES

	Early Release	Sept 4th
	Interim Reports	Week of Sept 21st
	End of the Quarter	Oct 9th
	Half Day	Oct 9th
	Teacher Workday	Oct 12th
	Second Quarter Starts	Oct 13th
	First Quarter Report Card	Week of Oct 19th