Northwestern Middle School

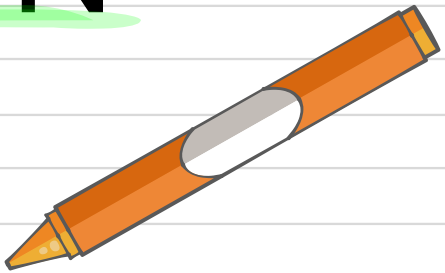
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TOOLS FOR COMMUNICATION



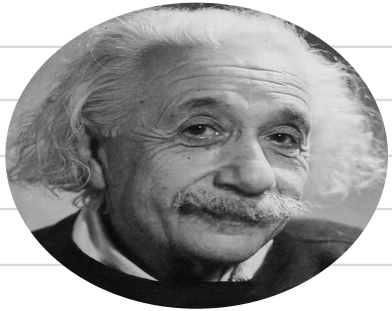


CONTACT THE TEACHER DIRECTLY

Any teacher's email is created by the first letter of their first name followed by their last name followed by @nwr7.org

Example: aeinstein@nwr7.org
Please email teachers directly as PowerSchool email is not reliable.

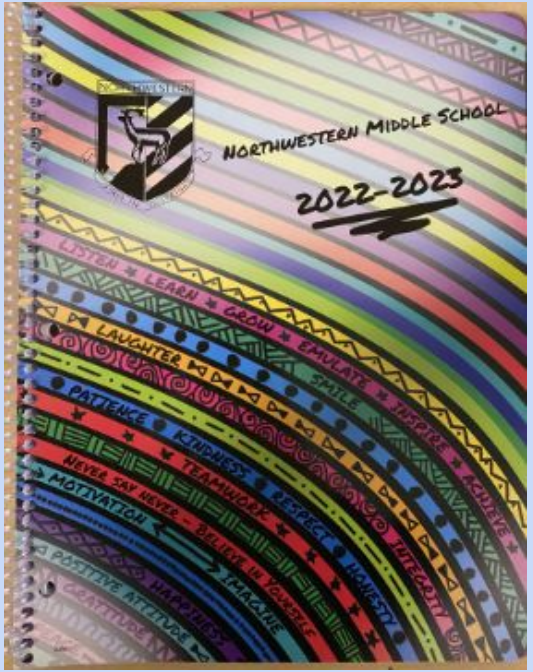
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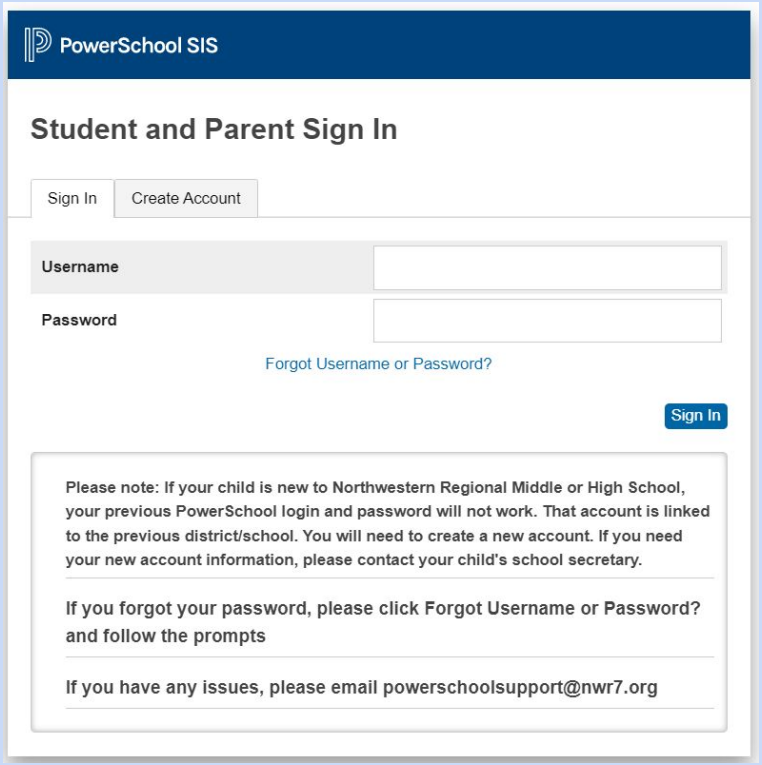
Staff Contact List

Using the Agenda

- Students are required to use their agenda every day
- Time is built into classes every period so students can write their assignments down.
- Check your child's agenda to see what the daily assignments are.

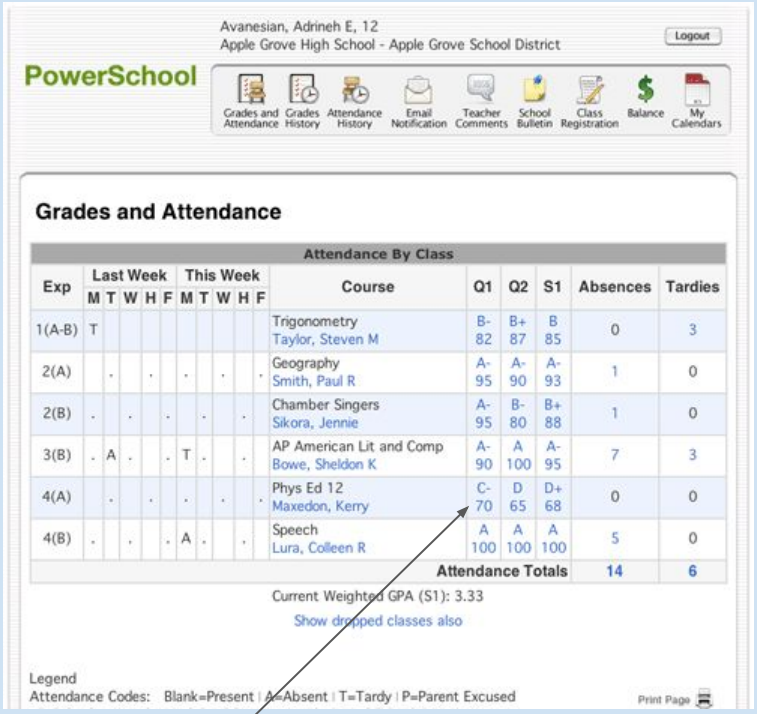


Check Grades on Powerschool®

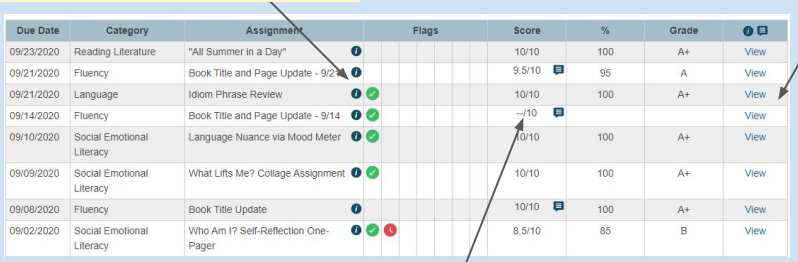


- Avoid checking Powerschool more than once a week
- Remember middle school is low-stakes - this is the perfect time to allow your child to struggle and learn from mistakes
- Encourage your children to advocate for themselves
- Please encourage them to read the comments on individual assignments

Powerschool Communication Tip



Blue assignments indicate that specific instructions are attached; click to see.



Due Date	Category	Assignment	Flags	Score	%	Grade	
09/23/2020	Reading Literature	"All Summer in a Day"		10/10	100	A+	View
09/21/2020	Fluency	Book Title and Page Update - 9/21		9.5/10	95	A	View
09/21/2020	Language	Idiom Phrase Review		10/10	100	A+	View
09/14/2020	Fluency	Book Title and Page Update - 9/14		--/10			View
09/10/2020	Social Emotional Literacy	Language Nuance via Mood Meter		10/10	100	A+	View
09/09/2020	Social Emotional Literacy	What Lifts Me? Collage Assignment		10/10	100	A+	View
09/08/2020	Fluency	Book Title Update		10/10	100	A+	View
09/02/2020	Social Emotional Literacy	Who Am I? Self-Reflection One-Pager		8.5/10	85	B	View

The blue dialogue box indicates there is a comment. Click VIEW to see that comment.

Not yet graded by teacher or an assignment not yet collected

Clicking on the current quarter grade will allow you to view individual scores that contribute to the current average

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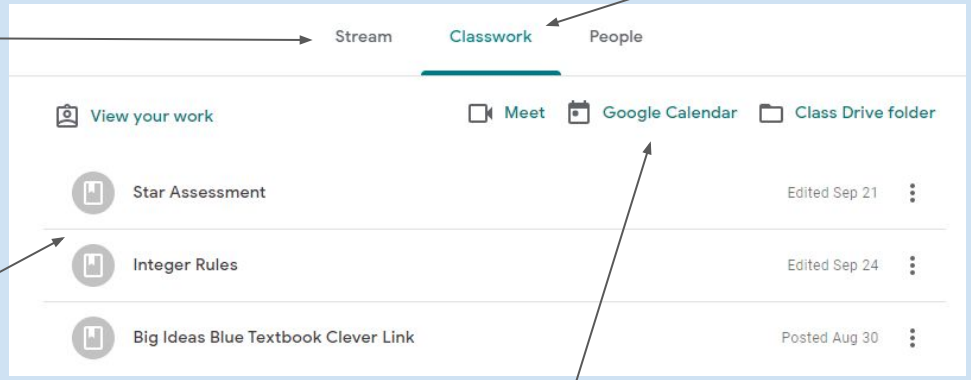
Need Help? Email Laura McBaine

powerschoolsupport@nwr7.org

Using Google Classroom

Classwork: This is where students go to find their **digital assignments**.

Stream: Announcements



List of digital assignments

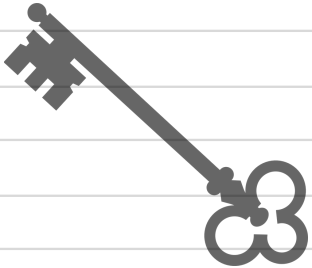
Some teachers organize work in topics by theme or by week

The calendar shows due dates of all digital assignments.

Parent Conferences

- Conferences are available on November 12th and 13th.
- Directions to sign up using our digital platform will be sent in late October.
- Conferences are schedule on a first come first serve basis.

KEYS TO SUCCESS



Important Tips for Student Success

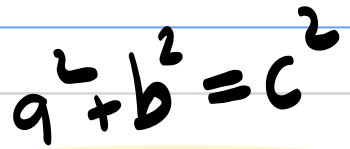
Be Prepared for Class

- Have all materials needed for class including homework.
- Bring and use the agenda to track assignments.

Participate

- Participate in discussions.
- Get involved.
- Answer class problems.
- Ask questions.





Seek Academic Help

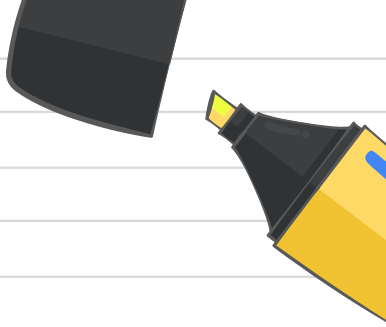
- Make appointments to meet with teachers during study hall.
- We offer 49 Academic Help days after school. These start after dismissal and run until 3:00. Students must arrange for transportation home and are picked up from the Cafeteria.
- Check the academic help calendar for dates

Academic Help Schedule
Click here

HIGH SCHOOL/MIDDLE SCHOOL
ACADEMIC HELP SCHEDULE 2026-2027

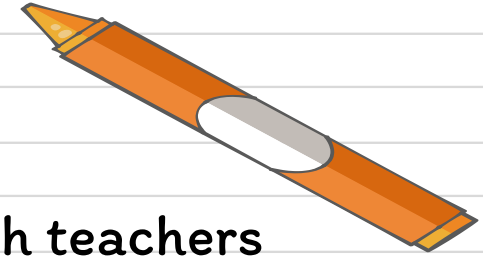
September (3) 14-Monday 21-Monday 28-Monday	**October (3)** 05-Monday 19-Monday 26-Monday	**November (4)** 02-Monday 16-Monday 23-Monday 30-Monday
December (2) 07-Monday 14-Monday	**January (3)** 04-Monday 11-Monday 25-Monday	**February (3)** 01-Monday 08-Monday 22-Monday
March (5) 01-Monday 08-Monday 15-Monday 22-Monday 29-Monday **NOTE: schedule may change**	**April (2)** 05-Monday 26-Monday	**May (4)** 03-Monday 10-Monday 17- Monday 24- Monday **June (0)**

How You Can Help Your Child This Year



- Have your child set their intention for the day
- Encourage your child to limit distractions during homework time including video games and television
- Make sure your child has a quiet area to work that is conducive to learning
- Check in with your child periodically

What to do if Your Child is Absent



- Call the MS office
- Students should rest and get better
- When feeling better, students should check with teachers the day they return to find out what they missed
- Check Google Classroom for any updated notes or assignments
- Check in with your teachers in person or through email
- Students should plan to access each teacher on the next academic help day to make up work, clarify concepts, and to make up tests

Get Involved!

Join a club!

Student Council

Junior FFA

Civil Rights Stories Club

GSA
Gay-Straight
Alliance

CULINARY CLUB

NRG 6762
Gearheads
Robotics Team

MIDDLE SCHOOL
DRAMA CLUB

Chess Club

Author's Cafe

Photojournalism Club

Jazz Band

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS