

Middle School ELA & Science

Weekly Parent Newsletter

October 5–9, 2026

Dear Parents and Families,

We are pleased to share a brief update on our students' progress in **ELA, Reading, Grammar, and Science**.

Students continue to make steady progress through their grade-level curriculum. This week, we will complete **Science Chapter 2** and begin **Chapter 3**, while continuing our work in **i-Ready Reading Chapter 3**.

ELA, Reading & Grammar

Students will continue working in **i-Ready Reading Chapter 3**, with an emphasis on reading comprehension, vocabulary, understanding texts, and supporting answers with evidence.

Students received a copy of the vocabulary list.

Grammar Progress

Last week:

- **6th & 7th Grade:** Adjectives and Adverbs
- **8th Grade:** Independent and Dependent Clauses

Students will continue practicing grammar skills and applying them to their reading and writing.

Science — Chapter 2 Completion

On **Monday, October 5**, students will complete Chapter 2 with a hands-on lab and assessment.

6th Grade

Plate Tectonics Lab & Chapter 2 Test

Students will demonstrate their understanding of plate tectonics through a hands-on activity and assessment.

7th Grade

Water Drops on a Penny Lab & Chapter 2 Test

Students will conduct a hands-on investigation using water drops on a penny and complete their Chapter 2 assessment.

8th Grade

Newton's Cradle — Motion & Energy Lab & Chapter 2 Test

Students will create and investigate a Newton's Cradle pendulum to explore **motion and energy** before completing their Chapter 2 assessment.

Beginning Chapter 3

Beginning **Tuesday, October 6**, students in **6th, 7th, and 8th grades** will begin **Science Chapter 3**.

Students will continue learning through teacher instruction, reading, workbook activities, discussions, hands-on activities, and assessments.

Student Progress

Students are continuing to build their academic skills and become more comfortable with classroom expectations and independent learning.

Our focus remains on helping students:

- Understand what they read
- Use evidence to explain their thinking
- Apply grammar skills in writing
- Develop academic vocabulary
- Understand and apply scientific concepts
- Participate responsibly in classroom activities

We are pleased with the progress students are making as we continue through the school year.

Thank You

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement at home. Your partnership is an important part of your child's academic success.

We look forward to another productive week of learning!

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Please note: Curriculum pacing and activities may be adjusted throughout the school year based on student progress, instructional needs, and understanding.