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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:



Hello families,

We are quickly approaching the last few months of the school year. This is important because, we have students who need to work a bit harder to get their grades up to academic expectations.

We have far too many students who could be looking at repeating their current grade because they have not met expectations for their grade level.

While this news isn't great news, it can be used to help our students change their current behaviors and practices to better align with what they need to do to get class work completed, handed in, and start preparing to work towards improving their overall academic performance.

A+ Arts Academy Napoleon Campus is aware that our students need additional time to get caught up on missed work, and they need additional support with reading and math.

But we cannot get students to focus on their work alone, we need your support. So, please encourage your child(ren) to come to school regularly, actively engage in their classroom lessons, and make a commitment to finish their work.

The majority of our students who are failing are not failing because they are not capable, many are choosing to not actively engage in their work or prepare for test and quizzes.

Please help us by setting expectations for what you expect your child to do when they are in school with us.

Unfortunately, the only reason some of our students are failing is because of the choices they make. We need your help to end this habit.

Until next time,
Principal Rosser

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SATURDAY SCHOOL



At A+ Arts Academy Napoleon Campus, we are excited to announce that we will start Saturday School for our campus. The first Saturday School will be this Saturday, February 17th. School will be in session from 9:00 am.-12:00 pm.

As I have shared, we have far too many students failing their current grades level subjects. And for some they have been failing for more than one semester.

We also have students whose reading and math scores are still below expectation. We also have students who continue to engage in disruptive behaviors and all of these things need to be addressed.

To help support students in **these three key areas:** academic needs, intervention with reading and math, as well as addressing behavioral needs.

please encourage your child to take advantage of this opportunity to receive the help that they need, and to make positive impacts on their academic progress.

I am depending on you (parents) to help your child to take advantage of this opportunity to receive the help, by making a commitment to getting them to school on the days they have been assigned Saturday School.

Please respond to any teacher or administrator who contacts you regarding Saturday School for your child.

When Saturday school is assigned as a consequence for students' behaviors, you will receive notification from the Administration team.

Additionally, teachers will reach out with their recommendations for those students who are in jeopardy of failing their current grade to give them a chance to get missing work finished, reteaching lessons for those who still have not grasped the concepts, and offering Reading and Math Interventions.

Please support us and your child by bringing them to Saturday School.

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LITERACY NIGHT



We are excited to have parents, students, and extended families come out to our Literacy Night. This night will be filled with great information on Literacy, how parents can help support your teenagers to read more and embrace the importance of being literate.

We are working to bring film *The Right to Read* to our Literacy Night to help you as parents know the research behind the trend in reading for many students of color.

This will be an impactful film that I believe you will be glad you had the chance to preview.

Literacy Night will also focus on the celebration of the relationship between our parents, students, and community. Our Community Liaison spent countless hours putting together free items that will benefit our families. These are brand new freely offered items such as: clothing, house ware, toiletries, kitchen items, etc.

All families who attend our Literacy Night will have a chance to choose the items of their choice. Please make every effort to attend our Literacy Night to screen the movie, get some free give away items, and have the chance to do some fun literacy games with your child and their teachers.

Teachers are also preparing some fun competitive activities for students and parents to engage in that focus on literacy.

I'm excited to see all of you here on February 21, 2024 for our Literacy Night.

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HIGH SCHOOL VISITATIONS:

Attention 8th grade parents: We have started our high school visitations. As the principal, I arrange these visits to help your child to gain information about potential high schools they could attend in the fall.

Right now we have had Cristo Rey and Franklinton High School to come and share information about their schools with our 8th

graders. We have two more schools preparing to come to A+ Arts Academy to share information with our 8th graders. Those schools are The Charles School and Ohio Construction Academy (OCA). Of the schools we partner with, just two offer a 1/2 visit to their campuses for our students. Those school are Franklinton and OC.

SPRING SPORTS:

There are continued efforts to bring sports back to A+ Arts Academy Napoleon Campus.

Our hope is to be able to offer Track & Field for this up coming Spring sports season.



Career Interest Coursework:

We are so excited about our student engagement with Learning Blade. **Learning Blade** is a digital platform that helps our 7th and 8th grade students explore exciting careers and technologies.

Our goal is to start the conversation with students about career options they have. Some of those options don't require a 4 year degree but still offer successful career choices.

Black History Month Celebration:

In honor of Black History Month, our students are working in collaboration with their core content teachers to create a variety of presentations that is reflective of the Arts, Literacy, Math, and Science all to honor the lives and legacies of our ancestors.

Please Mark your calendars for **February 28th, 2024. The event will start at 5:30 pm and end at 7:00 pm.**

This event will include several student presentation, and a sit-down dinner.

The flyer will be coming out soon.

We will have a special guest speaker for the nights event.

If you are interested in seeing the results of what your child has been learning, please make every effort to come and support them, their teacher, and our school for this wonderful event.

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Parent Engagement

Parents are you interested in partnering with your child's school to learn more about what resources we can offer you, and have the chance to participate in free workshops designed to meet your needs?

Then please click on the QR code to access our survey.

