

Science Fair Kickoff Letter

Dear Parents and Guardians:

I am excited to announce 6th grade begins Science Fair! This is a capstone project that starts August through December 1st. My goal is to complete the majority of assignments with your student at school, however it is important to track your child's progress throughout the entirety of this project. Students will document each part in a composition notebook called a log book, along with online documents created within a school assigned Google Drive. I strongly encourage you to take an active role in your student's project. They'll need your support to be successful. With that said, class time is allotted for instruction and completion of most parts of this project, however this will be a team effort.

Students will receive an assignment schedule, parent-student compact, rubric, and additional procedures as the project progresses. For daily updates, check out the MERIT^{6th} and Nightly Homework Reminder. This will be a busy start to the school year as we participate in the science fair and continue to study the state required science standards. Please review the parent/student contract attached to this booklet and return it signed. I am so excited to see all of the amazing scientists at work this year! Feel free to contact me at any time if you have any questions or concerns.

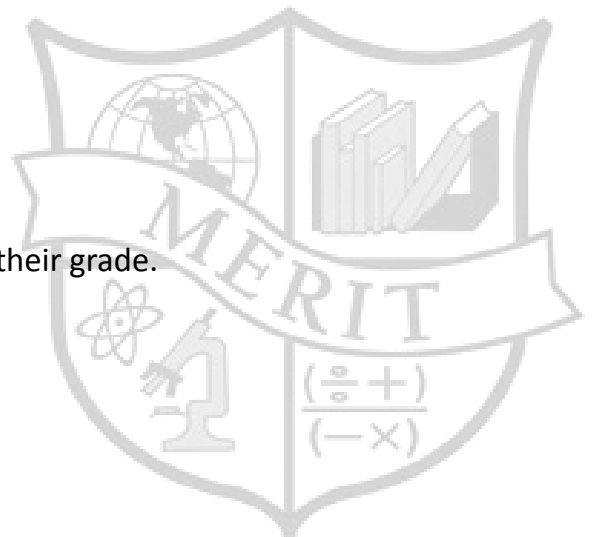
Thanks for the support in advance,

Ms. Sturup

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Important

- Daily, cumulative, and formative grades are collected for most science fair-related assignments.
- Students may not change topics during the middle of a project, doing so may negatively affect their grade.
- Do not get ahead. Mrs. Sturup will guide students through their projects step by step.
- Have fun! Do your best and always remember that Mrs. Sturup is here to help you!



Please remove this page and return to Mrs. Sturup

Student's Name: _____ Class Period: _____

Adults - Please initial all lines -

_____ I understand that this is a cumulative project with multiple assignments turned in and completed during the months of August to December 1; ending with a final digital board.

_____ I understand that this project has several grade level specific deadlines that will count as a classroom grade.

_____ I understand and have reviewed the provided schedule for the science fair with important due dates and grading weights for each assignment.

_____ I understand that some assignments will be completed in class with Mrs. Sturup, while other components of the science fair will be completed at home only.

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I understand that my student must complete work that is academically honest, free of plagiarism, recycling work

previously _____ completed , etc. make sure the work is completed on time and sufficiently.

_____ I understand that those sixth grade students who earn an 80 or higher with all required components will receive a MERIT proficiency credit. Those students with the most successful grades and projects will participate in the TCMS Science Fair Contest.

Adult Signature: _____

Students - Initial All Lines -

_____ I understand that this is a cumulative project with multiple assignments turned in and completed during the months of August through December 1; ending with a final digital board.

_____ I understand that some assignments will be completed in class with Mrs. Sturup, while other components of the science fair will be completed at home only.

_____ I understand that if I earn an 80 or higher with all required components, I will earn a MERIT competency credit.

_____ I understand that I will receive hard copies of the materials for my family to review at home. It is my responsibility to keep them in my binder for use in the classroom and at home. I will keep my blog up to date.

_____ I understand that I must spend time in the classroom with Mrs. Sturup to complete some assignments for my project.

_____ I understand that the weight of the grades will be determined by the length and complexity of each component. I will be informed of the weight of the grade at the time of assignment. (Daily Grade/Quiz/Test)

_____ I understand that I am to complete work that is academically honest, free of plagiarism, recycling of previously completed work, etc.

Student Signature: _____

