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Hello Mann MS 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents!

I hope you had a wonderful 3 day weekend and your child is having a great experience at Mann. This is a very important semester for our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students so I wanted to highlight some important events for you and your child. This semester 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will learn about high school options to create their graduation plans as well as meet requirements for promotion to 9<sup>th</sup> grade.

Saturday, January 25- is Saturday School from 8:30 to 11:45 am for students needing to work on grades for the middle of the 4<sup>th</sup> Six Weeks. Parents, Teachers and Students may request to attend.

Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup> - AHS is hosting ScreenAgers, a movie about raising the digital generation – parents and students invited at 6:30 pm in the AHS Auditorium

Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> - All 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be visiting Holland Medical High School and ATEMS. Please be sure your child is here by 8:15 am and is in standardize dress.

Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup> – Mann Spelling Bee in the auditorium at 9:30 – Spelling Packets are available in the office or in Mr. Vaughn’s classroom.

Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup> the ATEMS principal and staff will be at 8<sup>th</sup> grade lunch to answer any questions and connect with students.

February 6<sup>th</sup> – Parent Track Meeting 5:30 pm in the large gym

February 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> are ATEMS Parent Forums from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. Student applications for ATEMS are available online on February 3<sup>rd</sup> and due by March 14<sup>th</sup>.

Students will be working with counselors and BUSM teachers in class to create their high school graduation plan. The high school Program Guide is available on the AISD webpage for parents. Please plan on having conversations with your child about what they are learning about high school and what they are thinking they would like to try in high school. With only 4 months left in 8<sup>th</sup> grade, we want to stay connected with you for a great finish. Please contact me or the counselors or administration team if we can help in any way.

Thanks for sending your child to Mann MS.

Kathy Walker, Principal