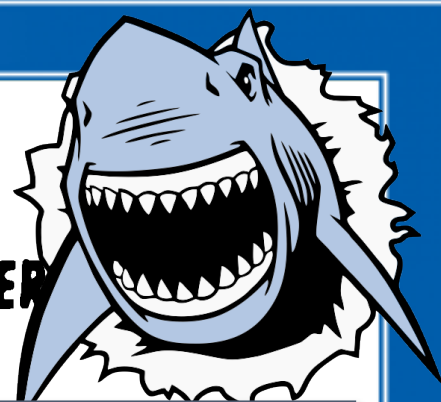


# QUENTIN STEM ACADEMY

## SHARK NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2020



### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Greetings Shark Nation! We've successfully completed two weeks of Model B on-campus instruction! As we near holiday season I want to remind the community of the importance of attending school everyday. Schedule travel when students are on holiday and not attending classes. Missing just 10% or more of school days, for any reason, can result in students struggling with reading. If you notice your child is struggling with reading please reach out to their classroom teacher for resources and tools that can be accessed from home to support your child. Continue to stay healthy and active Shark Nation!

### PLAYWORKS

This month at **Quentin** we will be focusing on the character trait **INTEGRITY!** It's not only important for us to show integrity in our daily lives but it is also our duty as educators to show our students what true **integrity** looks like. It is vital to stress that it's not always about someone seeing you do what's right. So many of our students care about how many **likes** they are receiving on an online platform. We need to show our students, it is more important how you act when no one is watching!

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- 11/10—Governing Board Meeting
- 11/11—Veteran's Day (No School)
- 11/19—A+ School of Excellence Ceremony
- 11/20—Turkey Trot (virtual)
- 11/23-27—Thanksgiving Break (No School)
- 11/30—Acadience Reading Assessment (midyear) begins (K-5 students)

### TECHNOLOGY

Help keep student laptops in working by keeping them clean. To clean the screen use a cleaning solution that is no less than 70% isopropyl alcohol and a microfiber cloth. Spray the solution on the cloth not the screen. To clean the keyboard us a Lysol wipe or the cleaning solution used for the screen. Do not use water or baby wipes to clean any part of the laptop.

### CLASSROOM HAPPENINGS

Students in kindergarten are working on comparing two numbers between 1 and 10 in math and in reading they are learning to ask and answer questions about key details in stories. Our first grade students are learning to make and confirm predications they make about a story. In math they are going over several strategies, like counting back, to help them subtract numbers within 20. DreamBox is a great intervention tool parents can use at home to support students in math. If you want more information about the program please reach out to your student's teacher. DreamBox is available K-8.

### MYD

Students who are on campus for instruction are required to abide by the dress code. We have seen a lot of students out of dress code for their outwear (jackets, coats, sweaters). Jackets, sweaters and sweatshirts that conform to district dress code colors (solid dark green, ash gray, burgundy, navy blue, black or white) may be worn inside the school building and in the classroom. See the Student/Parent Handbook for more information.

### STUDENT AGENCY

One way that we can encourage students to take ownership of their school work is by building and enforcing good attendance. Attending school regularly helps children feel better about school—and themselves. Start building this habit in preschool so they learn right away that going to school on time, every day is important. Good attendance will help children do well in high school, college, and at work.



"Your attitude, not your aptitude, will determine your altitude."— Zig Ziglar