

# Seventh Grade Newsletter

March 16, 2026

## News and Events

- Final Payments for the Pure Michigan trip were due March 9. Please pay the balance now.
- Please send in a bag of wrapped candy for the candy hunt on March 27.
- Late work for Quarter 3 must be turned in by March 19 for students to be eligible for Fun Friday on April 10. We are going to Urban Air in Oxford.
- MSTEP testing will be on April 16 and April 21.
- Students need headphones for testing and classroom use. They should be inexpensive, wired headphones/earbuds.
- Course Selection forms for 2026-27 are due **Friday, March 27**. Classes will be scheduled first for students who turned the form in on time.

## Curriculum Notes

**ELA:** Students are writing a mystery, and then we will begin a Problem-Solution essay next week. They will choose from a variety of topics, and use research to support their solution to a problem.

**Social Studies:** Students will discuss the Maya, Aztec, and Inca civilizations and the cultural diffusion that occurred via the trade routes.

**Science:** We will continue learning about the structure and functions of various organelles inside a cell. Next, they will learn about the four macromolecules that make up the building blocks of life.

## Second Step Lessons

In this week's lesson, your child will explore how using emotion-management strategies, such as slow breathing, walking away, reframing the situation, and practicing positive self-talk, can help prevent a conflict from escalating.

Question: Share with your child strategies you use to help yourself feel calm during escalating conflicts. Ask them to tell you any additional strategies they find helpful beyond the ones covered in the lesson.

In next week's lesson, your child will learn how to listen to and consider someone else's perspective during a conflict.

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