“Foundations of Literacy”

Foundations of Literacy is a class centered around the computer-based program, Reading Horizons Elevate. The instructor explicitly explains and models the building blocks needed to read and comprehend through an explicit easy to follow, multi-sensory approach. The students learn a unique marking system that is applied to each concept, making it easy to remember what they have learned.

The foundation of literacy development is oral language. A Language rich environment such as the class room of Senior Reading Advisor Hall helps students learn the vocabulary needed to express their foundational needs, ideas, emotions, and questions. The five key concepts at the core of every effective reading instruction program is Phonemic Awareness, Phonics, Fluency, Vocabulary, and Comprehension. Ms. Hall does an excellent job of moving her students and achieving growth through the school year using this program!

Ms. Coronica Hall, Senior Reading Advisor

ATHLETICS

- Basketball vs Westwood Jan 3
- Basketball vs Hillcrest Jan 4
- Basketball vs Hamilton Jan 6
- Basketball vs BTW Jan 12
- Basketball @ Kirby Jan 13
- Basketball vs Wooddale Jan 20
  Homecoming/ Winterfest
- Basketball @ Ridgeway Jan 24
- Basketball @ Hamilton Jan 27
- Basketball @ Trezevant Jan 30
- Basketball vs Kirby Jan 31

SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING.

SELF HELP TIP:

In January, the SEL focus is “Non-Violent Conflict Resolution.” Under the domain of social skills, teachers will lead lessons on fairness and conflict resolution. Under the domain of self-management, teachers will lead lessons on self control and problem solving.

Here are The Top 5 Conflict Resolution Strategies:
1. Don’t Ignore Conflict.
2. Clarify What the Issue Is.
4. Identify a Solution.
5. Continue to Monitor and Follow Up on the Conflict.

During this time of celebrating the life and accomplishments of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. let’s all try to work towards incorporating NON-VIOLENT Conflict Resolution into our lives and any conflict we may encounter.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- School Board Appreciation Month
- District Imagine Assessment Window, Jan 3–13
- MLK Day (Students and Teachers Out), Jan 16
- 2nd Quarter Report Cards Issued, Jan 18
- Select Seniors ASVAB, Jan 18 @8am Library
- Homecoming/ Winterfest, Jan 20
- 2nd Quarter Honors Program, Jan 25 @9am Library
- School Level CFA’s, Jan 26 & 27
- School Choice Showcase, January 28 11am–2pm

REMINDERS

- School starts @ 7:15am, breakfast @ 7:00am
- Students must be in school uniform daily
- Send note to attendance office after every absence
- Students are expected to bring their charged device with charger to school daily
- Parents check your student’s attendance, grades, assignment due dates and conduct in the PowerSchool App daily (download from the App Store on cellular device)

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Ms. Hall is a native Texan. She has served Memphis Shelby County Schools in the capacity of educator, mentor, content and performance coach, and district administrator for thirty years. She received her Bachelor's of Science Degree in Elementary Education from Mississippi Valley State University in 1992. She later received her Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction from the University of Mississippi. She has one son, and she enjoys spending quality time with family and friends.

Ms. Hall was chosen by her peers because she is an advocate for all students. She brings a magnitude of experience, expertise, and wisdom not only to the ELA Department, but to Melrose. She is an educator who brings about innovation and knowledge. She makes learning challenging and fun for the students while achieving growth. She has an excellent rapport with her students and colleagues and is willing to assist novice teachers. Overall, her experience and expertise is an asset to the entire Melrose Family.

Maitree is a senior here at Melrose High School. Her favorite subject is Human Geography. Her hobbies include reading, listening to music, and painting. Upon graduation, she plans on attending the University of Memphis in the Fall with a major in science, pre-med and would like to become a doctor.

Maitree was selected by her senior teachers because she is an independent learner who pushed herself to achieve at a high level. Over the summer, she attended a summer research program at Rhodes College where she excelled. She is a joy to have in class, always positive, has overcome obstacles, tested out of ESL in a short time frame and embraces the differences in all her classmates. She excels academically in Dual Enrollment, Honors and AP courses. She truly embodies the 5 P's.

Kennedi is a junior here at Melrose High School. Her favorite subjects are Human Geography and English. Her hobbies include writing, drawing, and sewing. Upon graduation, she would like to attend college and become a pediatrician.

Kennedi was selected by her junior teachers because she is a stellar student. She is positive, punctual, excellent behavior and always a joy to be around. She is perhaps one of the most diligent and gifted students that I have ever taught. She is self-motivated and always makes a point to take care of what she needs to take care of. She strives for excellence and never settles for mediocrity. She is welcoming and responsive to feedback. She always works to improve herself, both academically and personally, and on top of it all, she is welcoming to others and goes out of her way to be helpful to her peers and staff alike. She embodies the 5 P's!

Omarion is a sophomore here at Melrose High. His favorite subjects are Math, English, and History. His hobbies include working out and playing games. Upon graduation, he would like to go to a trade school and become an electrician.

Omarion was selected by his sophomore teachers because Omarion treats everyone with respect and care—both teachers and students alike. He is diligent as a student to complete his work on time, he supports his peers, and he goes above and beyond to use his abilities to help others (as evident by his volunteering to help build the set and decorations for the play). Omarion embodies Productivity!

Nyah is a freshman here at Melrose High. Her favorite subjects are Reading and Physical Science. Her hobbies include cosmetology, cooking and reading. She also enjoys meeting new people. Upon graduation, she would like to attend a four-year university and become a nurse.

Nyah was selected by her freshman teachers because she always comes to school ready to learn. She maintains an honor roll status and is never afraid to help her classmates. She participates in every class and completes every assignment. Nyah embodies preparedness!

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