

El Monte Middle School

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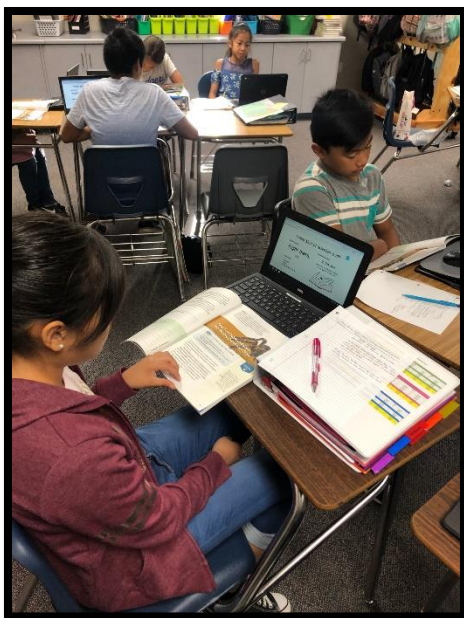
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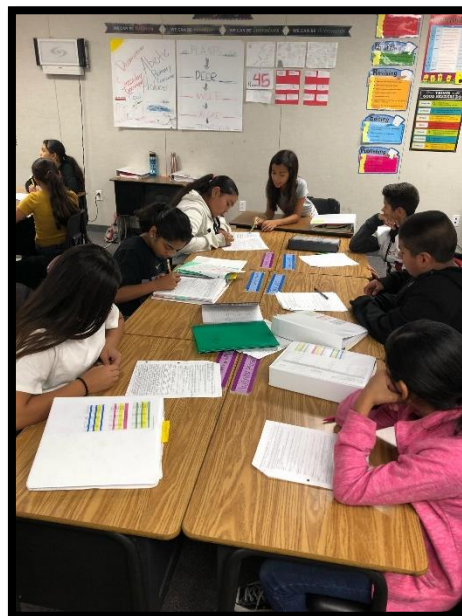
Principal's Note

Thank you teachers for going the extra mile to purposefully plan. It was evident through classroom visits that time has

exciting to see teachers taking on this very important challenge! Thank you Mrs. Barker for sharing a video of our 6th grade students talking to the text! Looking forward to instructional rounds on Oct 2nd where strategies related to reading comprehension will be observed. El Monte students



been spent collaborating on best practices and effective teaching strategies related to reading comprehension. It is



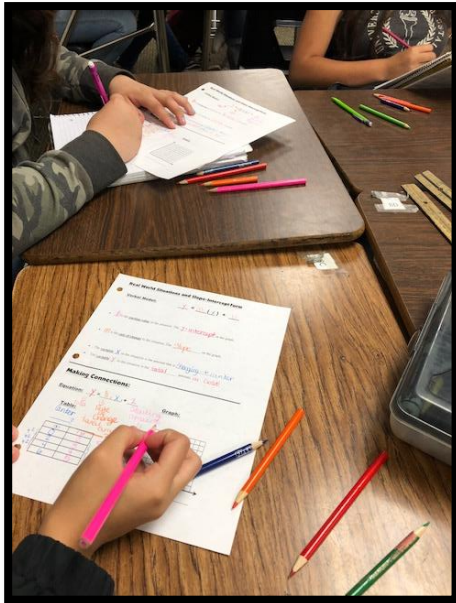
enjoyed music at lunchtime and a special thanks to Mrs. Powers class who participated in dancing at lunch.

-Marlena

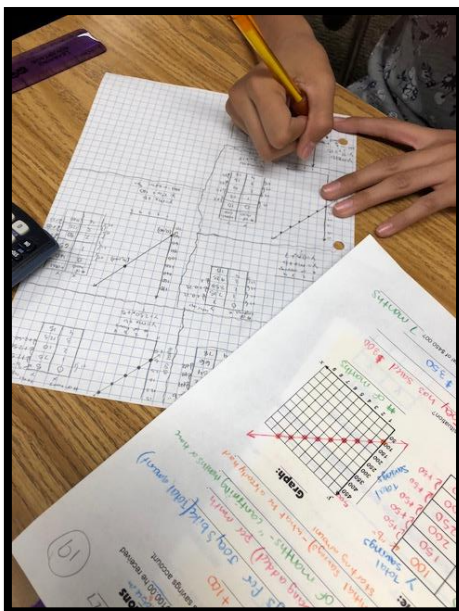
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Coaches Collective

8th grade math has been focusing on reading comprehension of disciplinary text. We are using color-



coding, think-alouds and modeling talking to the text to help students with their reading comprehension of disciplinary text. Students are practicing



these strategies by discussing with partners and annotating

the text. Our next step is to start collecting data on our 8th grade math students and their reading comprehension of disciplinary text.

-Michelle

COUNSELOR'S CORNER

Last week, we recognized our 8th grade REAP Scholars for their academic achievement in earning \$25,250 in scholarship fund as a class for their participation in the REAP program. It was a night of celebration for students and their families. I want to thank Mrs. Gladys Villa and Ms. Melanie Gonzalez for guiding and supporting our REAP Scholars for our first year of full implementation. The program has generated so much interest, that we have seen a significant increase of applicants for the 2018-2019 academic year.

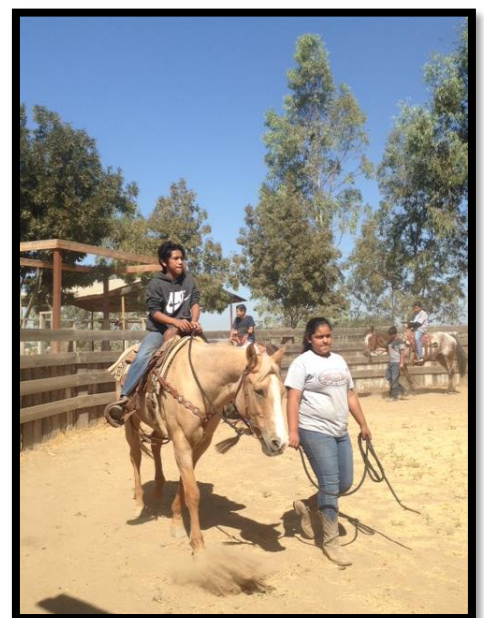


Special shout-out to Mrs. Pena and the Science Department at El Monte for their collaboration and support as we prepare to roll out El Monte's Suicide Prevention Program and Depression Screening in October through our Science classes. Year two of the Signs

of Suicide Program will have all secondary students (7th and 8th grade) participating in the program and screening. That's 300+ more students when compared to last year's implementation.



Lastly, our ALPHA students prepare to return to JM Horse Ranch this weekend after a week off. We want to thank the Flores family for partnering up with ALPHA program to provide our students with a hands-on, interactive, learning experience full of activities that teach introductory horse care and horse riding lessons.



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