



Teach your Child to follow Four Steps to Learn from Mistakes

While it may be comforting for students who have made a mistake to hear, “Well, you’ll learn from this,” it’s not always the case that they learn from it. Sometimes, students just keep making the same mistakes over and over again.

In order to really learn from mistakes, students need to think about them. Here are four steps your child can take to do just that:

1. Look at what was right.

You could say, “Your test wasn’t perfect. But let’s see where you succeeded.” Pointing out that all is not lost can motivate your child to take the next step.

2. Figure out what went wrong. It’s hard to fix a problem if you don’t know what caused it. Sometimes, the solution is easy: The directions said to add and she subtracted. But other

she hasn’t learned content they needed to know. In that case, they may need to reread some of the textbook or ask the teacher for more help. Help them make a plan for what she will do differently the next time.



times, it requires more analysis. Did your child misunderstand the question? Not leave enough time to check their work?

3. Take steps to correct the problem. Perhaps your child will discover that he/

4. Apply this knowledge to a new situation. Have your child try a problem that is similar to the one that was missed on the test. Encourage your child to stop at the place where they made the error and try to make a different choice. When they do, they’ll know that they really have learned from their mistakes.

Source: *Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience, Elsevier B.V.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

LEIC Tournament hosted by Robinson (Boys’ Basketball)	Jan. 5 - Jan. 11
2nd Quarter Report Cards Issued	Jan. 12
No School Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Jan. 15
Boys’ Basketball vs. Salt Fork JHS (8th Grade Night)	Jan. 15
7th Boys’ Basketball Regional (Hosting)	Jan. 20- Jan. 25
Freshmen Orientation located in the HS Gym (6:00 - 8:30pm)	Jan. 23
8th Boys’ Basketball Regional hosted by Lawrenceville	Jan. 27 - Feb. 1
3rd Quarter Progress Reports	Feb. 2

Message from the Principal

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

I hope that 2018 has started well for you and your student(s). Returning back from a holiday break sometimes can start rough because students get out of the “school routine”. Sometimes one element students struggle with after returning from a long break is turning in quality homework assignments. Before your student turns in homework, suggest one last way to make it shine: editing and proofreading. Share these ideas to help them do their best work:

- If answering textbook questions have them flip back through the chapter to double-check spellings of names and places to verify dates.
- Make sure that the work makes sense. When your child writes up an experiment in her science journal, she should reread it to make certain that she has included all the steps and that they are in order.
- For longer assignments (stories, essays), suggest that he look for one kind of mistake at a time.

He can read through once for spelling, again for capitalization, and a third time for punctuation.

- Encourage your student to allow at least 30 minutes between finishing an assignment and proofing it. Problems are often more obvious with a fresh eye.

I hope that these tips for putting the final touches on homework help provide a wonderful start to the new year for your student and you.

It’s a Great day to be a Lion Cub!
Tony Graham, MJHS Principal



MJHS News Shorts



BAD WEATHER

This time of year there is always the possibility of inclement weather. In case of a snow day, information will be shared using our notification system that allows us to send group phone, email, and text messages to parents. Information will also be posted on our district website, Facebook page, and on the local television and radio broadcasts, such as WTHI, WTWO, WCIA, and WMMC.

FRESHMEN ORIENTATION



Freshmen Orientation will be held Tuesday, January 23, 6:00-8:30pm at Marshall High School Gymnasium. This is an opportunity for your incoming freshman (8th grade) student and yourself to meet many of the high school teachers, hear about classes, clubs and organizations that are offered, ask questions, and get a tour of the high school. It is such a wonderful experience for the students. We strongly encourage your attendance as well as your student(s).



'Hunger Just Got Canned'



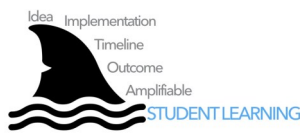
Before Christmas break, Marshall JHS students had their annual food drive to help support Marshall's local food bank. This event was sponsored by the junior high student council and was connected with a Principal's Student Challenge. Also, first hour classes competed against one another to bring in the most items and the top class from each grade level earned a donut party. This year students were challenged to bring in 1,000 items, and if accomplished Mr. Graham had to get a reverse mohawk in front of the entire student body.

Students not only met the goal, but shattered it, by bringing in 2,710 items!! Therefore, Mr. Graham received a new haircut for Christmas at the end of the day on Friday, December 15. We are extremely proud of our students for the support and efforts that they showed during our annual food drive. Thank you to all the teachers for their encouragement in this community service event. Below are a few pictures for our enjoyment.



WELCOME TO THE "SHARK TANK"

SHARK TANK PITCH



In Mrs. Allen's 7th grade classes students competed in a Shark Tank competition. Student's learned about social entrepreneurship. Students were

placed in groups that consisted of different learning styles and different personalities. They then had to select a social entrepreneurship idea that they could implement as 7th graders to help support the Marshall area. Some of the ideas were to donate clothes to the food and clothing bank, sports days for kids in the summer, and hospital visits to sick children in Terre Haute hospitals. The students did a great job working together and came up with some creative ideas.

A special thanks to Jennifer Bishop, Marshall Economic Development Director, Joel Sims, Marshall Zoning Officer, and Rick Medsker for being judges for this project.



RESEARCH IN CAREERS

8th grade students in Mrs. Perry's Research in Careers class are gearing up later this month to tour the North American Lighting Plant in Paris, Illinois. While there, students will meet the NAL's Human Resource team who will share aspects of the hiring process and the attributes and characteristic that industries desire in their employees. Later this quarter students will also tour Indiana State University to have an early exposure to college life and expectations. These are wonderful experiences when preparing for high school and beyond.



December Students of the Month

Each month will have a different character trait that will be focused on when selecting deserving students. This month's character trait was **GENEROSITY, unselfish giving and sharing of resources, time, and talents with others.**

Congratulations to our December Students of the Month!



7th Graders: Ivory Hoepner and William Matherly
8th Graders: Elizabeth England and Matthew Hedden