

# PARENT A GLANCE

Find out what your child is **learning** and how to **help**.

Subject	6th	7th	8th		
Ideas students are learning	Content: Understanding Character and Identity Novel Unit: <i>Freak the Mighty</i>	Content: Understanding Belonging, Identity, and Family Novel Unit: <i>Heaven</i>	Content: Understanding Choices and Responsibility Novel Unit: <i>Swallowing Stones</i>		
Skills	Literacy Skills: Point of View Writing/Communication: Focus on writing and introduction and building effective paragraphs.	Literacy Skills: Mood, tone Writing/Communication: Personal Narrative	Literacy Skills: Poetry, simile Writing/Communication: Response to Literature composition		
Work and assignments to look for	Character Analysis; Textual evidence to support writing	Write Abouts and WriteLikes in response to literature. Narrative Essay	Analysis response to Literature.		
Questions Parents Can Ask	Will my child have homework? Will my child have a project due for this unit?	How will my student be graded on a personal narrative? How can I support my child's learning at home? Will there be a project for this unit.	How does poetry connect to this novel? Why is that important? Does my child have materials at home to practice verb tenses?		
Special Notes	All students will have TAKS formatted assesments every six weeks.	All students will have TAKS formatted assessments every six weeks	All students will have TAKS formatted assessments every six weeks.		