

September 2016

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I hope each of you had a wonderful, long weekend. In my home, it was a time to relax and enjoy the company of family and friends. Your students have been working hard each and every day in our ELA classroom. The work is fast-paced and students seem to be enjoying our classroom.

Our weekly reading logs, where students are required to keep track of their nightly reading (Monday - Thursday) and complete their logs in time for ELA class on Friday are in full swing. Ask your student to show you his/her log and the accompanying rubric so that you are aware of how your child is graded each week. In addition, please encourage your child to complete his/her reading log as I am entering many zeroes each week for homework not being turned in on time.

Speaking of grades, you may access your child's current ELA grade from home by logging in to the parent portal from the Bear River Middle School website. Official progress reports will be going home in the next few weeks. However, you should be seeing a bi-weekly progress report from your student, which lists all grades and requires a parent/guardian signature.

If you have any questions about grades or missing assignments, please feel free to contact me. As an 8<sup>th</sup> grade teaching team, we want you to be informed, on a regular basis, of your child's progress so that we can help you help your child be as successful as possible. Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your child's life each day.

Sincerely,

Ms. Goyea